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While Sugar Mountain Ski Resort is up and running, it may be a week or two before other area ski resorts follow suit.

Appalachian Ski Mountain's Brad Moretz says he's waiting on a longer cold spell. While he had hoped today would be opening day- it will likely be sometime next week he says. Appalachian Ski Mountain does plan to start making snow today, he says.

Appalachian isn't the only resort waiting for more cold weather. Beech Mountain Ski Resort's Gill Adams has a similar plan.

It's just not cold enough long enough, he says.

Lenny Cottom at Hawksnest agrees. While he's pleased with the natural snow flurries- he, like Moretz and Adams, is wishing for more.

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It wouldn't be worth it to try to open under the current conditions, he says.

In the meantime, one lift and two slopes are open at Sugar Mountain, and Kim Jochl says more slopes will follow with the next long cold spell.

Sugar's newest attraction, its skating rink, is scheduled to open December 1.