SNOW SNAKES

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EXT. ROCKY MOUNTAINS - WINTER - DAY

Snow covered mountain peaks above timberline. Ski slopes of untracked powder. An aerial tram ascends to a high terminal.

MOVIE GUY (V.O.)

Nestled in the high peaks of Colorado, a new billion-dollar resort seeks to invigorate an old mining town's century of misfortune.

Skiers disembark the tram with eager expressions to get first tracks on the virgin snow.

MOVIE GUY (V.O.)

The town of Glory hopes to create a new legacy to overshadow a mining disaster where 42 miners were lost.

Skiers, dressed in the latest and most expensive ski suits, click into their ski bindings.

MOVIE GUY (V.O.)

It's opening day.

Ski Patrollers tend to an avalanche closure rope. Signs along the closure state "Closed - Avalanche Hazard".

MOVIE GUY (V.O.)

During the winter of 1889, record snowfall trapped the miners deep in the Glory Day Mine. They never resurfaced.

The ski patrol drops the rope and flip the signs to "Open".

MOVIE GUY (V.O.)

The mine had such promise, if it wasn't for...

Skiers swarm out onto the open slope, hooting and hollering in powder skiing ecstasy.

MOVIE GUY (V.O.)

...what lives in the heart of the Rockies.

A skier near the edge of the crowd appears to fall in the deep snow and vanishes from sight.

MOVIE GUY (V.O.)

Native American Medicine Men have always warned the early pioneers, prospectors, and miners, not to disturb "the ones that sleep in the deep".

Another skier falls and vanishes. And then another.

MOVIE GUY (V.O.)

The miner's blasting in the deep dark underground first released the beast.

Total chaos erupts on the slope as skier after skier falls and disappears into the great white.

MOVIE GUY (V.O.)

Today, it's the high explosives used for avalanche control that wakes them from their deep sleep.

A serpentine motion glides beneath the snow's surface. It follows the last skier.

The beast rises out of the snow just enough for its open jaws to clench the intruder by the waist, cut him in two, and to pull the remains under the surface.

MOVIE GUY (V.O.)

Coming this fall to a theatre near you...Snow Snakes. Beware of hidden obstacles. Rated R.

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