Skier-Triggered Avalanches at the Throne

The Throne
Bridger Range
2/16/2019
Code
SS-ASc-R2-D2.5-I
Elevation
8400
Aspect Range
E-SE
Latitude

Longitude

45.88210

-110.95200

Notes

Skiers reported intentionally triggering multiple avalanches failing up to a foot deep at the Throne. From the email: "We dug a pit above the top of the throne (ENE <u>aspect</u>, 8400', 28°) and got an ECTP17. The pit broke below 55cm of new snow, on top of an old win <u>wind slab</u> ailed on our objective (the ruler) and skied the main ESE chutes on the throne. Ski <u>Ski cut</u> e top of all 3 chutes and got them all to break out 8-12" deep, 100-200' wide and they all ran 500-700' into the trees at the bottom of the gullies. The runout hit the trees at the bottom with enough force to snap 3" trees and piled up debris up to 5' deep." Photo: M. Cohen

Multiple Avalanches Number of slides

Number caught

0

Number buried

0

Number killed

O

Avalanche Type

Soft slab avalanche

Trigger

Skier

Trigger Modifier

c-A controlled or intentional release by the indicated trigger

R size

2

D size

2.5

Bed Surface

I - Interface between new and old snow

Problem Type

New Snow

Slab Thickness

10.0 centimeters

Vertical Fall 600ft Slab Width 150.00ft Images

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Slab Thickness units centimeters Single / Multiple / Red Flag Multiple Avalanches Advisory Year 18-19