

Skier triggered wind slab in Beehive

Beehive Basin
Northern Madison
12/4/2018
Code
SS-AS-R2-D1.5
Elevation
10000
Aspect
S
Latitude
45.35250
Longitude
-111.40000
Notes

From e-mail: "We encountered very localized [loading](#) that easily fractured and propagated uphill on a south [aspect](#) (photos) then bailed on the E/NE facing run we had hoped to ski, due to a 12-18" [slab](#) at the top, obvious [wind loading](#) throughout the whole thing (9900'-10300'), and the aforementioned obvious signs of instability. When we turned around, another similar-sized (4-8" by 10-20') [slide](#) had occurred on the same [aspect](#) as the one we had triggered. Neither ran more than 100' or so."

Number of slides
1
Number caught
0
Number buried
0
Avalanche Type
Soft slab avalanche
Trigger
Skier
R size
2
D size
1.5
Problem Type
Wind-Drifted Snow
Slab Thickness
16.0 inches
Vertical Fall
200ft
Slab Width
40.00ft
Images
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Slab Thickness units

inches

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Multiple Avalanches

Advisory Year

18-19