

## Avalanches on Lionhead Ridge

Lionhead Ridge  
Lionhead Range  
1/8/2019  
Code  
SS-N-R3-D2-O  
Elevation  
9000  
Aspect Range  
E-SE  
Notes

Many avalanches broke during the last week's avalanche cycle at Lionhead. Natural and snowmobile triggered slides were reported between 1/7 and 1/9. On 1/6-1/7 the area got a foot of heavy snow followed by strong winds. This loaded an unstable snowpack that is poorly supported by 1.5' of sugary snow on the ground. Avalanches broke 2-3 feet deep on this weak snow, and propagated relatively wide.

### Multiple Avalanches

Number of slides  
2  
Number caught  
0  
Number buried  
0  
Avalanche Type  
Soft slab avalanche  
Trigger  
Natural trigger  
R size  
3  
D size  
2  
Bed Surface  
O - Old snow  
Problem Type  
Persistent Weak Layer  
Slab Thickness  
32.0 inches  
Vertical Fall  
400ft  
Slab Width  
150.00ft  
Images  
[Avalanche north of Airplane Bowl](#)  
[Airplane Bowl Natural Avalanche](#)  
Slab Thickness units  
inches  
Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Multiple Avalanches  
Advisory Year  
[18-19](#)