

Widespread cracking at Lionhead

Targhee Pass Meadows

Lionhead Range

12/8/2019

Code

SS-ASc

Elevation

8200

Aspect

NE

Latitude

44.68590

Longitude

-111.29000

Notes

Skiers at Targhee Pass near West Yellowstone reported: "We got a few good collapses while skinning up through east-facing low angle meadows, and got some serious cracking and collapsing while stomping on fresh wind pillows just below ridgeline on a northeast-facing slope at about 8200'. We dug down at one of the cracks and found a 35cm thick F+ [slab](#) that had failed on a layer of 4-6mm [depth hoar](#) . Cracks propagated close to 100'..."

Number of slides

0

Number caught

0

Number buried

0

Avalanche Type

Soft slab avalanche

Trigger

Skier

Trigger Modifier

c-A controlled or intentional release by the indicated trigger

Problem Type

Persistent Weak Layer

Images

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Slab Thickness units

centimeters

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Red Flag

Advisory Year

[19-20](#)