

## Skier triggered small slab and natural loose on Black Mtn. Absaroka

Black Mountain  
Out of Advisory Area  
2/27/2020  
Code  
SS-AS-R1-D1-S  
Elevation  
9000  
Aspect  
S  
Aspect Range  
N, S  
Latitude  
45.16280  
Longitude  
-111.52900  
Notes

While approaching Black Mountain from Pine Creek Lake. Noticed two dry loose snow problems on the way up near rock bands on North facing aspects at 9500'. R1.5 D1. Winds were powerful around 30mph at the summit and on the approach our major concern was [wind slab](#) problem reacting around 5 inches deep. We skied South [aspect](#) and as it warmed we triggered D1 R1 slabs that ran slow and short. Although we never skied on substantial slabs, we were eager to get moving and out of any run outs.

Number of slides  
2  
Number caught  
0  
Number buried  
0  
Avalanche Type  
Soft slab avalanche  
Trigger  
Skier  
R size  
1  
D size  
1  
Bed Surface  
S - Avalanche released within new snow  
Problem Type  
Wind-Drifted Snow  
Images  
[Skier triggered slab on Black Mountain](#)  
Slab Thickness units  
centimeters  
Single / Multiple / Red Flag  
Multiple Avalanches

Advisory Year  
[19-20](#)