

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