Pebble Creek Observations

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From email on 01/22: "

"On 1/19, my partners and I toured into Pebble Creek just west of Cooke in hopes to find some low-angle powder skiing. Our objective was to ski a south-facing slope just north of the Pebble Creek trail.

New snow totals were around a foot at 8000ft. Winds were pretty moderate out of the west/northwest, but it looks as if the days prior had transported a lot of snow off of the south-facing ridgelines onto east-facing slopes. We had many thunderous collapses on our way uphill that echoed across the entire canyon. It was pretty hair-raising even though we weren't above or below any avalanche terrain. Towards the top of our objective, we saw a natural avalanche that occurred on a small rollover that appeared to be a day or two old (pictured below). I suspect the slope was no steeper than 30 degrees. I did a quick hand shear on the adjacent slope and the overlying slab of new snow failed upon isolation. "

Region Out of Advisory Area Location (from list) Pebble Creek - YNP Observer Name Robby Parsons