Skier triggered wind slab in Beehive

Beehive Basin Northern Madison 12/4/2018 Code SS-AS-R2-D1.5

Elevation

10000

Aspect

S

Latitude

45.35250

Longitude

-111.40000

Notes

From e-mail: "We encountered very localized <u>loading</u> that easily fractured and propagated uphill on a south <u>aspect</u> (photos) then bailed on the E/NE facing run we had hoped to ski, due to a 12-18" <u>slab</u> at the top, obvious <u>wind loading</u> throughout the whole thing (9900'-10300'), and the aforementioned obvious signs of instability. When we turned around, another similar-sized (4-8" by 10-20') <u>slide</u> had occurred on the same <u>aspect</u> as the one we had triggered. Neither ran more than 100' or so."

Number of slides

1

Number caught

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Number buried

0

Avalanche Type

Soft slab avalanche

Trigger

Skier

R size

2

D size

1.5

Problem Type

Wind-Drifted Snow

Slab Thickness

16.0 inches

Vertical Fall

200ft

Slab Width

40.00ft

Images

Beehive skier triggered wind slab 2

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Slab Thickness units

inches Single / Multiple / Red Flag Multiple Avalanches Advisory Year 18-19