

Unstable in Beehive Basin

Date

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Activity

Snowboarding

We skied into Beehive Basin today and found unstable snow. The bottom half of the 1.5' snowpack is weak, sugary facets that collapsed with audible "whumpfs" as we toured up. We dug at 8,700' on a SE [aspect](#) (a few hundred meters up valley of Tyler's slope) and the [snowpit](#) revealed a poor snow structure and instability. Even though some ranges have more snow, the set up is the same: weak, unstable snow underlying new snow. Avalanches, whumpfs and cracking are warning us to be careful throughout our entire forecast area.

Region

Northern Madison

Location (from list)

Beehive Basin

Observer Name

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