Whumphing at Beehive

Date
Tue, 12/26/2023 - 13:20
Activity
Skiing

I toured up the private property line to the ridge between Beehive and Bear Basin, I skied partway down into Bear Basin from where the prayer flags used to be. I was breaking trail back up and Clyde (dog) was wallowing in the facets so I gave a big jump to try to pack in the skin track better for him and got a nice whumph, cracks shooting out about 10'. Some slopes had fresher snow forming a slab over facets, some slopes had more facets than slab, the west side going back into Beehive had a stout melt freeze crust underneath a few inches of snow. I didn't go looking for buried surface hoar so I can neither confirm or deny its existence.

Region
Northern Madison
Location (from list)
Bear Basin
Observer Name
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