A Morning Surprise on Henderson

Date
Fri, 01/05/2024 - 09:00
Activity
Skiing
Snowmobiling

We were the first to arrive at the bottom of Lulu Pass this morning and observed 3 natural avalanches on E and NE aspects of Henderson Mountain. The turn off from HWY 212 towards Lulu pass had received 4-6in of low density snow the night before, the bottom of Henderson Bench had only received 2-3in, but some areas on the trail had pockets of blown in snow around 6in deep in drifts. Hand pits quickly showed that the new snow was sitting on our thin base of faceted snow and surface hoar. The avalanches appeared to release from small cornice collapses on the ridge of Henderson Mountain.

Region
Cooke City
Location (from list)
Henderson Mountain
Observer Name
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