Explosive triggered slides, YC and Big Sky

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Notes

The Big Sky and YC Ski Patrols triggered numerous avalanches during control work. Most slides were fresh wind slabs created by the 4-6" of new snow and strong winds. Most stayed confined to the upper layers of the snowpack, but one <u>slide</u> at the YC broke on facets near the ground. This <u>slide</u> broke 2-3' deep and ran nearly full path.

Multiple Avalanches

Number caught

0

Number buried

0

Avalanche Type

Soft slab avalanche

Trigger

An explosive detonated above the snow surface (air blast)

Trigger Modifier

c-A controlled or intentional release by the indicated trigger

R size

2

D size

2

Bed Surface

O - Old snow

Slab Thickness units

centimeters

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Multiple Avalanches

Advisory Year

18-19