New snow instability-Blackmore

Mt Blackmore Northern Gallatin 3/30/2019 Code SS-ASc-R2-D1.5-I Elevation 10000 Aspect Ε

Latitude

45.44340

Longitude

-111.00300

Notes

Skiers at Mt. Blackmore saw three flavors of avalanches: dry loose, wet loose, and soft slab. The dry avalanches were triggered intentionally, while the loose wet failed naturally. From the email:

"Skied the east face of Mt Blackmore. Stability was good, although small loose dry avalanches were easily triggered with ski cuts. We also saw several small loose wet avalanches that released near cliff bands. The snow was starting to become wet when we left." Photo: N. Salsburg

Multiple Avalanches

Number caught

Number buried

Number killed

Avalanche Type

Soft slab avalanche

Trigger

Skier

Trigger Modifier

c-A controlled or intentional release by the indicated trigger

R size

2

D size

1.5

Bed Surface

I - Interface between new and old snow

Problem Type

New Snow

Slab Thickness

6.0 inches

Vertical Fall

600ft

Slab Width
30.00ft
Images
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Slab Thickness units
inches
Single / Multiple / Red Flag
Multiple Avalanches
Advisory Year
18-19