

Loose Wet Avalanches at Bridger Bowl

Date

Sat, 04/30/2022 - 17:05

Activity

Skiing

I'm sure this is not unexpected, but there were several wet loose avalanches at Bridger today. Some with ~5cm of snow on top, maybe from yesterday or earlier in the week, and some new this morning. We watched a relatively slow moving natural size 2 come down Colter's area around 10:30. We also ski cut a size 1.5 from the skiers right of the Lower Nose (NE asp) around 9:45 which ran on the melt freeze crust from earlier this week. It moved slowly but I was surprised by how much mass it entrained. A couple other ski cuts just above had produced smaller size 1s. The debris stopped on top of an older debris pile which was significantly larger and had run significantly further. (You can kind of see the difference in the photo). There was also widespread roller balling and pinwheeling on all aspects and elevations.

Note - sizes are D sizes. I'm not very familiar with R sizes (from Canada) so am not sure I can confidently provide R sizes. Maybe both R2?

Sorry there aren't more useful photos - phone camera is not very good.

Region

Bridger Range

Location (from list)

Bridger Bowl

Observer Name

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