Widespread Collapsing and Shooting Cracks at Bacon Rind

Bacon Rind Southern Madison 2/5/2024 Code Latitude 44.96090 Longitude -111.10000 Notes

The <u>stability</u> at Bacon Rind was very poor, avalanches were likely, and we avoided (and strongly recommend avoiding) avalanche terrain. We triggered booming collapses and watched cracks shoot out across terrain features and snow shake off nearby trees for the entirety of our tour from the meadow near the car to the top of the Skillet. We avoided steeper meadows and gave the "Skillet" (the primary <u>avalanche path</u> where we were) a wide berth because we felt triggering a <u>slide</u> was so likely.

There was 8" of new snow. The upper half of the snowpack was a <u>slab</u>, and the lower half was airy <u>depth hoar</u> stressed to the point of failure. Snowpit results were ECTP11 and 12 failing 35cm down from the surface.

Number of slides

0

Number caught

0

Number buried

0

Slab Thickness

35.0 centimeters

Weak Layer Grain type

Depth Hoar

Weak Layer grain size

7.00mm

Weak Layer Hardness

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Images

Skillet Profile - 5 February 2024

Gaping Crack Top of Skillet

Shooting Cracks at Bacon Rind

Attached Videos

Avalanche Warning, Bacon Rind - 5 Feb 2024

Snow Observation Source

Very Poor Stability at Bacon Rind

Slab Thickness units

centimeters

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Red Flag

Advisory Year

23-24