Remote Triggered at Sunlight Basin (Taylor Fork)

Sunlight Basin
Southern Madison
1/27/2019
Code
SS-AFr-R2-D2-O
Elevation
9500
Aspect
SE
Aspect Range
E-SE
Latitude
44.97560

Longitude -111.31300 Notes

We triggered these avalanches remotely, about 50 feet above the crown up on the ridge. Each crown was 1-2' deep, 100' wide, and both slides ran between 200 and 300 vertical feet through trees and cliffs. The slides failed on a 40 cm thick layer of dedepth hoarwhich composed half of the snowpack. Photo: GNFAC

Multiple Avalanches

Number of slides

2

Number caught

0

Number buried

n

Number killed

0

Avalanche Type

Soft slab avalanche

Trigger

Foot penetration

Trigger Modifier

r-A remote avalanche released by the indicated trigger

R size

2

D size

2

Bed Surface

O - Old snow

Problem Type

Persistent Weak Layer

Slab Thickness

18.0 centimeters

Vertical Fall

300ft

Slab Width

100.00ft

Weak Layer Grain type

Large striated crystals

Weak Layer grain size

4.00mm

Weak Layer Hardness

F-

Slab Layer Grain Type

Decomposing and Fragmented precipitation particles

Slab Layer Hardness

F +

Images

Sunlight Basin Avalanche (3)

Sunlight Basin Avalanche (2)

Sunlight Basin Avalanche (1)

Attached Videos

Remotely Triggered Avalanche, Taylor Fork - 27 Jan 2019

Slab Thickness units

centimeters

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Multiple Avalanches

Advisory Year

18-19