

Large natural avalanche in northern Bridgers

Hardscrabble Peak

Bridger Range

1/16/2020

Code

HS-N-R3-D3-G

Elevation

8500

Aspect

E

Latitude

45.91030

Longitude

-110.97800

Notes

"... while touring in the Northern Bridgers, my partner and I noticed a very large avalanche that occurred on a North face in "October Bowl" just to the south of Hardscrabble Pk. We didn't witness it and are unsure of a [trigger](#) but we came in contact with all parties believed to be out there and assume it occurred naturally early this morning from heavy wind-[loading](#) The crown seemed to be 2-3' deep but stepped down to the ground about 200' below the crown. The [slide](#) was about 400' in width and ran about 1,000' and we assumed classifications of R3.5 and D3."

Number of slides

1

Number caught

0

Number buried

0

Avalanche Type

Hard slab avalanche

Trigger

Natural trigger

R size

3

D size

3

Bed Surface

G - Ground

Problem Type

Wind-Drifted Snow

Slab Thickness

24.0 inches

Vertical Fall

1000ft

Slab Width

400.00ft

Images

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Slab Thickness units

inches

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Single Avalanche

Advisory Year

[19-20](#)