Natural and snowmobile triggered avalanches in Taylor Fork

Taylor Fork
Southern Madison
1/30/2021
Code
SS-N-R2-D2-O
Aspect Range
E, NE, N, SE
Latitude
44.96450
Longitude
-111.33400
Notes

GNFAC forecaster were in Taylor Fork on 1/31/21: There were many small(er) pockets R2-D1/2 along the northeast facing ridge of Carrot and Sage Basins. Some looked like they broke below the new snow or on s surface hoar and some broke deeper to the facets at the ground. We dug a pit above one of the crowns that and got an ECTP16 on ssurface hoar 40 cm down, and ECTN 29 on the ddepth hoar PST 37/120 end on the ddepth hoar HS 150cm.

Also numerous slides in Lightning and Beaver Creeks in the Wilderness. Also noticed a large crown in Sunlight Basin spanning across the lookers left half of the heavily wind-loaded/corniced bowl. R3-D2/2.5 probably, 500'+ wide

Number of slides

4

Number caught

0

Number buried

0

Avalanche Type

Soft slab avalanche

Trigger

Natural trigger

R size

2

D size

2

Bed Surface

O - Old snow

Problem Type

Persistent Weak Layer

Slab Thickness

24.0 inches

Vertical Fall

100ft

Slab Width

150.00ft

Images

Avalanche, Taylor Fork 5

Avalanche, Taylor Fork 4

Avalanche, Taylor Fork 2

Avalanche, Taylor Fork 1

Attached Videos

A Beautiful Day and Avalanches in the Taylor Fork - 31 January 2021

Slab Thickness units

inches

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Multiple Avalanches

Advisory Year

20-21