Natural avalanches (on persistent weak layer) near Cooke

Henderson Mountain Cooke City 11/15/2021 Code SS-N-R2-D2-O Elevation 10000 Aspect Range NE, N Latitude 45.05240 Longitude

-109.94500 Notes

From email 11/15/21: "east Henderson had a fresh <u>slab</u> avalanche- on a NE <u>aspect</u> around 10,000'. It appeared to have failed on a we<u>weak layer</u>ear the ground, and I'd guess it was about 2-3' deep and 300'+ wide. (photo attached)

Also noted some other natural <u>slab</u> avalanches on some northerly aspects of Miller Ridge. (steep rocky starting zones). And noted a couple big sl<u>slab</u>valanches on NE erly aspects up Republic Creek too. Similar thing there: steep, rocky, wind loaded starting zones."

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

Slab Width

100.00ft

Images

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Slab Thickness units inches Single / Multiple / Red Flag Multiple Avalanches Advisory Year 21-22