

Rollerballs, Pinwheels and Wet Loose near Cooke

Sheep Creek

Cooke City

4/18/2022

Code

WL-N-R1-D1-S

Elevation

8800

Aspect Range

S, SE, SW, E, NE

Latitude

45.03440

Longitude

-109.98400

Notes

On 4/18/22 near Cooke City we witnessed natural rollerballs and pinwheels by 11 am, and a couple wet loose slides below cliffs on southerly slopes around noon, and were able to easily trigger pinwheels on west-southwest aspects around 1230-1pm.

Number of slides

4

Number caught

0

Number buried

0

Avalanche Type

Wet loose-snow avalanche

Trigger

Natural trigger

R size

1

D size

1

Bed Surface

S - Avalanche released within new snow

Problem Type

Wet Snow

Slab Thickness

3.0 inches

Vertical Fall

100ft

Slab Width

10.00ft

Images

[Natural small wet loose slides Apr 18](#)

[Natural rollerballs and pinwheels](#)

[Natural pinwheel from snow falling off tree](#)

Attached Videos

[Pinwheels of snow = rising wet avalanche danger - 18 Apr](#)

Slab Thickness units

inches

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Multiple Avalanches

Advisory Year

[21-22](#)