Deep Slab Avalanche, Bald Peak - Lionhead

LIONHEAD AREA Lionhead Range

4/2/2023

Code

HS-N-R3-D2.5-O

Elevation

9500

Aspect

E

Latitude

44.72920

Longitude

-111.32300

Notes

There was a large natural avalanche that broke yesterday on Bald Peak it was bounded laterally by the terrain, so it only broke a three hundred feet across, but it appeared to be 4-6' deep and ran the full available vertical into the creek below. This avalanche was the key piece of information for the day and answered the question of whether or not the snowpack is continuing to produce deep slab avalanches with every storm, it is.

Number of slides

1

Number caught

0

Number buried

0

Avalanche Type

Hard slab avalanche

Trigger

Natural trigger

R size

3

D size

2.5

Bed Surface

O - Old snow

Problem Type

Persistent Weak Layer

Slab Thickness

54.0 inches

Vertical Fall

1200ft

Slab Width

300.00ft

Images

Deep slab avalanche on Bald Peak - Crown

Deep slab avalanche on Bald Peak 2

Deep slab avalanche on Bald Peak
Snow Observation Source
Natural Avalanche Cycle at Lionhead
Slab Thickness units
inches
Single / Multiple / Red Flag
Single Avalanche
Advisory Year
22-23