Widespread cracking at Lionhead

Targhee Pass Meadows
Lionhead Range
12/8/2019
Code
SS-ASc
Elevation
8200
Aspect
NE
Latitude
44.68590
Longitude
-111.29000
Notes

Skiers at Targhee Pass near West Yellowstone reported: "We got a few good collapses while skinning up through east-facing low angle meadows, and got some serious cracking and collapsing while stomping on fresh wind pillows just below ridgeline on a northeast-facing slope at about 8200'. We dug down at one of the cracks and found a 35cm thick F+ slab that had failed on a layer of 4-6mm depth hoar. Cracks propagated close to 100'..."

Number of slides
0
Number caught
0
Number buried
0
Avalanche Type
Soft slab avalanche
Trigger
Skier
Trigger Modifier
c-A controlled or intentional release by the indicated trigger
Problem Type
Persistent Weak Layer
Images
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Slab Thickness units
centimeters
Single / Multiple / Red Flag
Red Flag
Advisory Year
19-20