

Bacon Rind meadows

Date

Wed, 12/22/2021 - 12:45

Activity

Skiing

Obs are from Wednesday 12-22: Toured in afternoon from normal parking to ridge above low angle runs. OVC sky, Prec. S-1, cool temps -6 at TH, -10 at ridge. HS 35-40 at bottom, 70-80cm @8,260 ft, 110-120cm at ridge where wind protected on shady asps. HS is quite variable this season between the meltdown in early Dec. and abundant wind redistribution. Found as little as 40cm in wind affected areas even at 8800'. Test profile below ridge top in a protected zone, asp 70 deg, 25 deg slope, HS 115. Poor snowpack structure, 1F slab over a decomposed crust at 40cm, with layer of concern of 20cm of 4F- 2mm FC below. CTH21(Q1)x2 at 38cm. Layer will propagate a fracture, ECTP22@38 ish. No real news there, this is much the same as the obs from Buck and Tepee. No Whumpfung observed, and I did break substantial different trail in the meadows. Isolated Cracking around skis in shallow areas. Travel conditions are good up high, marginal at low elevs.

Region

Southern Madison

Location (from list)

Bacon Rind

Observer Name

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