

Dry Loose Sluff's - Frazier Basin

Date

Sun, 03/06/2022 - 14:00

Activity

Skiing

Frazier Basin has approx. 2-3 inches of very low density snow sitting on an ice hard base. There is no cohesion between these two layers. We skied multiple north facing chutes throughout the afternoon - generally near the ridgeline was very wind affected down to bare rock/wind blasted snow (ice). There was no windloading on the aspects we skied. Where it hadn't been blown off, the low density snow skied well. We started multiple dry loose sluffs, though none were big enough to carry a skier. Natural dry loose sluffs off of steeper features could be seen throughout the basin. With more accumulation I would be very hesitant enter this terrain, due to the very poor interface between the low density snow and the hard base below. When skinning, your downhill ski would constantly slide out on this interface - we resorted to setting a bootpack out of the basin.

Region

Bridger Range

Location (from list)

Frazier Basin

Observer Name

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