At 1:30 PM on Jan 6th a large avalanche poured over the cliffs on Saddle Peak, outside the boundaries of Bridger Bowl. Clouds obscured the starting zone. Multiple groups were in the runout zone, including a party building a jump. One person was caught and buried up to his neck. He was able extricate himself and was unharmed. He estimated the debris was at least six feet deep.

We believe this was a natural avalanche that broke in the new and wind drifted snow. Bridger Bowl measured 6" of new snow with 0.75 inches of Snow Water Equivalent at the Alpine Wx. Station.

Photo: S. Peterson

Advisory Region
Bridger Range
Longitude
-110.94W
Latitude
45.79N
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