

Small skier triggered windslab in Hyalite

Maid of the Mist
Northern Gallatin
1/12/2023
Code
SS-ASu-R2-D1
Elevation
10000
Aspect
N
Latitude
45.41640
Longitude
-110.97000
Notes

From obs:

While skiing down 'Fat Maid' I triggered a shallow [wind slab](#), after I was about 3/4ths of the way down the [couloir](#). The [slide](#) broke to my left as I entered a wider section of the run, that holds a small perched bowl feature (which is what ripped out). The [slide](#) didn't propagate out into the main [couloir](#), so the debris never impacted me. Even if it had, I don't think it would've been big enough to knock myself or any other skier off their feet. The [slide](#) was about 1/2 the width of the [couloir](#) and ran out to about 3/4ths of the apron's length (R2 D1?). The crown was 1-3" deep and maybe 30-40' wide.

Number of slides
1
Number caught
0
Number buried
0
Avalanche Type
Soft slab avalanche
Trigger
Skier
Trigger Modifier
u-An unintentional release
R size
2
D size
1
Problem Type
Wind-Drifted Snow
Slab Thickness
2.0 inches
Vertical Fall
100ft
Slab Width

30.00ft

Images

[Skier Triggered Windslab Avalanche in Maid Basin](#)

Snow Observation Source

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Slab Thickness units

inches

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Single Avalanche

Advisory Year

[22-23](#)