



This natural avalanche on Mt Wheeler in the northern Gallatin Range occurred in very dense timber on a northeast facing slope. The crown is 2-3 feet deep and nearly 500 feet wide. Weak facets 40 cm's off the ground failed after being stressed by recent snow and wind. This is an isolated event, but a good reminder of what's possible in areas with a weak and shallow snowpack. Photo GNFAAC

Advisory Region  
Northern Gallatin  
Longitude

-111.08W

Latitude

45.51N

**Forecast link:** [GNFAC Avalanche Advisory for Fri Mar 1, 2013](#)[GNFAC Avalanche Forecast for Sat Mar 2, 2013](#)[GNFAC Avalanche Advisory for Sun Mar 3, 2013](#)[GNFAC Avalanche Advisory for Tue Mar 5, 2013](#)  
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