Natural Avalanches on Saddle Peak

Saddle Peak Bridger Range 3/16/2022 Code N-R2-D2 Elevation

8950

Aspect

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Latitude

45.79430

Longitude

-110.93600

Notes

We observed a natural avalanche on Saddle Peak on our drive home today. The Bridger Range received 7" of heavy snow equal to 1" of <u>snow water equivalent</u> in the last 24 hours. During the day we saw heavy windloading occurring on the high peaks of the range including Saddle.

Bridger Bowl Ski Patrol noted a few slides in the morning (one cornice triggered), estimated 2' deep.

"...<u>cornice</u> triggered <u>slide</u> on saddle today. Broke a couple of feet deep, and I couldn't get too close to the crown but it seemed to have initially broken in the new snow and then stepped down to a PWL below the recent crust...propagated maybe 130ft wide and ran all the way over the saddle cliff to the flats."

Number caught

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Number buried

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Trigger

Natural trigger

R size

2

D size

2

Problem Type

Wind-Drifted Snow

Vertical Fall

1200ft

Slab Width

150.00ft

Images

Debris from Saddle Peak avalanches

Natural Avalanche Saddle Peak

Slab Thickness units

centimeters

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Multiple Avalanches Advisory Year 21-22