

We rode up Yale Creek and into Mt Jefferson Bowl. Walking to the edge we triggered an avalanche (intentional) on a slope that was getting wind-loaded. It broke up to 1.5 feet deep, 250 feet wide and 50 feet vertical. The new wind drifts were sensitive to triggering and the slabs propagated wide. Weak layers at the old snow surface may have helped us remotely trigger the slope. The two things to look out for in the Centennials are weak layer of sugary snow or feathery surface hoar in the upper 3 feet of the snowpack and slopes that are freshly wind-loaded.

Advisory Region Cooke City Longitude -111.50W Latitude 44.57N Avalanche Details: Remotely triggered an avalanche, Mt. Jefferson

Forecast link: GNFAC Avalanche Forecast for Wed Feb 8, 2023GNFAC Avalanche Forecast for Thu Feb 9,

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