

Lionhead ridge look around

Date

Fri, 02/17/2023 - 15:10

Activity

Snowmobiling

We rode up to ski hill and dug a pit at the top. East-northeast [aspect](#) at 8,050'. HS 164cm and ECTN21 on [surface hoar](#) 40 cm down. Then we rode up along the ridge to Airplane Bowl and dug near the ridge north of the saddle. East [aspect](#) at 9,300'. Here HS was 144cm and we had ECTN20 on facets 40 cm down. We rode down Airplane Bowl and around the north end of Lionhead Ridge into Targhee Creek. Wind was light to moderate and forming small plumes of snow along the ridge.

We did not see recent avalanches aside from one previously reported snowmobile triggered [slide](#) at the top of Airplane Bowl. It was 30-40 feet wide and maybe 6-8" deep. It appeared 3-4" of snow fell 3 days ago. This snow was blown around by the wind and created some small, isolated drifts that have become more stable with time and now seem unlikely to be triggered.

Region

Lionhead Range

Location (from list)

Lionhead Ridge

Observer Name

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