

Large collapse hyalite

Date

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Activity

Skiing

Was attempting to find a few small safe powder pockets up in hyalite today. Was pretty unsuccessful, collapsing was happening the entire ski up but didn't seem to be super unstable. Soon as I got the some open low angel area I had a major collapse probably 50 foot circle around me that was very loud. At this point I turned around. Snow was very different depths all the way up. Areas I could put my poles (110) almost under the snow other places the snow was only inches. Also noted a hard layer about 6 inches down that was good snow with light powder on top and sugar underneath.

(Was skinning up the road to the strip east of the peak.)

Region

Northern Gallatin

Location (from list)

Elephant Mountain

Observer Name

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