Wind Slab Avalanche on East Face of Mt Blackmore

Mt Blackmore Northern Gallatin 2/13/2025 Code SS-ASu-R1-D1 Elevation 9850 Aspect E

Latitude 45.45960

Longitude

-111.00200

Notes

Triggered a small wind slab avalanche on the east face of mt Blackmore today at 9850 ft elevation. Around 5 inches thick, ~ 20 ft wide, and ran for 100 ft. No skiers were caught but the slab was very reactive. We were assessing the snow as we climbed but skied a slightly more eastern aspect than we were planning and it was more reactive than expected. Strong winds gusting all day, no active transport observed but obvious that the wind slabs have not settled.

Number of slides

1

Number caught

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Number buried

0

Avalanche Type

Soft slab avalanche

Trigger

Skier

Trigger Modifier

u-An unintentional release

R size

1

D size

1

Problem Type

Wind-Drifted Snow

Slab Thickness

5.0 inches

Vertical Fall

100ft

Slab Width

20.00ft

Images

Top of wind slab avalanche

Wind slab avalanche - looking down
Snow Observation Source
Wind slab triggered on east face of Mt Blackmore
Slab Thickness units
inches
Single / Multiple / Red Flag
Single Avalanche
Advisory Year
24-25