# Large skier triggered avalanche on Gardiner headwall

Beartooth Pass
Out of Advisory Area
6/1/2024
Code
ASu-R3-D2.5
Elevation
10800
Aspect
NE
Latitude
44.97010
Longitude
-109.46200
Notes

From IG messages on June 1 2024: "there were two riders and a dog on the slope. One rider was partially caught and rode out when everything stopped moving. The dog was very afraid and got stuck at the crown and rocks on the lookers left. Happened about 3pm today within the first 20 riders. Started with a small slide and propagated much larger when it got closer to the rocks."

From antoher ob. "At approximately 15:40 a D3 avalanche on the Gardiner headwall broke.  It was triggered by a snowboarder and his dog.  The run had already been tracked by skis and snow machines but the trigger point was slightly farther skier right and appeared to trigger a convex wind slab. Several skiers, boarders, and riders were in the area but there were no burials or injuries"

Number of slides
1
Number caught
0
Number buried
0
Trigger
Skier
Trigger Modifier
u-An unintentional release
R size
3
D size
2.5
Slab Thickness
20.0 inches
Vertical Fall
690ft
Slab Width
300.00ft
Images
Human triggered R3 Gardiner Headwall 2

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Large avalanche on Gardner headwall 2
Large avalanche on Gardner headwall
Attached Videos
Large skier triggered avalanche on Gardner headwall
Snow Observation Source
Human triggered R3 D3 Gardiner Headwall
Large avalanche on Gardner headwall
Slab Thickness units
inches
Single / Multiple / Red Flag
Single Avalanche
Advisory Year
23-24