Recent Wet Avalanches in the T-Roots

Tobacco Root Mountains Out of Advisory Area 4/29/2023 Code WS-N-R2-D3 Elevation 8500 Aspect

E

Latitude

45.60750

Longitude

-112.12800

Notes

While touring into the Dry Boulder Creek drainage, we noticed remnants of many recent wet loose slides, and one significant wet <u>slab</u> avalanche. The wet loose slides had occurred on all aspects, including low-elevation north facing slopes. I estimate that most of the wet loose slides we observed were no larger than R2 for their respective paths, and most were D2, with some large, high elevation slides, reaching a possible D3.

We observed the remnant of one large wet <u>slab</u> on an east facing slope at around 8500 ft. I estimated the crown to be around 500 ft wide, and 5 feet deep at its maximum. I estimate this <u>slide</u> was a R2 D3, with an unknown natural trigger.

We took these observations into account, staying off of solar aspects, and staying out of avalanche terrain once the snow began to soften.

Number of slides

1

Number caught

U

Number buried

0

Avalanche Type

Wet slab avalanche

Trigger

Natural trigger

R size

2

D size

2

Problem Type

Wet Snow

Images

Large Recent Wet Slab (E 8500')

Wet Loose in the Alpine, T-roots

Wet Loose below Treeline (North Facing), T-roots

Snow Observation Source
Recent Avalanche Activity in the T-Roots
Slab Thickness units
centimeters
Single / Multiple / Red Flag
Multiple Avalanches
Advisory Year
22-23