Natural deep slab avalanche, Flanders Mtn

Flanders Creek Northern Gallatin 3/28/2024 Code HS-N-R3-D3-O Elevation 9800 Aspect Range

E-NE

Latitude

45.43600

Longitude

-110.94200

Notes

We toured up to Flanders Mtn. to take down the weather station for the season (before the road closes on Monday, Apr 1). The main observation is a big, deep 2-6' deep avalanche that broke 300-500' wide in weak snow at the bottom of the snowpack. Photos and video attached. It broke across two separate start zones and included a lower angle ridge (still around 30 degrees) in between that slid. E-NE <u>aspect</u> at 9,800'. HS-N-R3-D3-O.

Number of slides

1

Number caught

0

Number buried

O

Avalanche Type

Hard slab avalanche

Trigger

Natural trigger

R size

3

D size

3

Bed Surface

O - Old snow

Problem Type

Persistent Weak Layer

Images

Natural deep avalanche on Flanders, debris

Natural deep avalanche on Flanders, midslope debris

Natural deep avalanche on Flanders, view from debris toe

Natural deep avalanche on Flanders, from ridge

Natural deep avalanche on Flanders, crown from distance

Attached Videos
Natural 2-6' deep avalanche, Flanders - 30 Mar 2024
Snow Observation Source
Natural deep slab avalanche
Slab Thickness units
centimeters
Single / Multiple / Red Flag
Single Avalanche
Advisory Year
23-24