

Large avalanche on Saddle Peak

Date

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At 1:30 PM on Jan 6th a large avalanche poured over the cliffs on Saddle Peak, outside the boundaries of Bridger Bowl. Clouds obscured the [starting zone](#). Multiple groups were in the [runout zone](#), including a skier hitting a jump. One person was caught and buried up to his neck. He was able extricate himself and was unharmed. He did a beacon search at the toe of the debris. He estimated the debris was at least six feet deep.

We believe this was a natural avalanche that broke in the new and wind drifted snow. Bridger Bowl measured 6" of new snow with 0.75 inches of [Snow Water Equivalent](#) at the Alpine Wx. Station. The avalanche was estimated to be 3 feet deep, and measured on Google Earth to be 550 feet wide and 2100 feet long.

Region

Bridger Range

Location (from list)

Saddle Peak