Natural Avalanche on Bridger Peak

Bridger Peak Bridger Range 2/18/2024 Code

N-R3-D2.5-O

Elevation

8500

Aspect

NE

Latitude

45.77000

Longitude

-110.93900

Notes

From obs 2/20/24: "On the drive up Bridger canyon this morning we noticed an avalanche on an east-northeast facing slope at the ridge near Bridger peak that was not previously noted or reported. Likely natural, possibly happened overnight or yesterday, but maybe earlier and went unnoticed? It looked 1-2' deep with rocks showing through parts of the <u>bed surface</u>.... Debris did not appear to make it all the way down the chute to flatter runout. But, light was not great and all dimensions were difficult to confirm."

On 2/21 we drove up to look at the <u>slide</u> through binoculars. The <u>slide</u> broke full width of the <u>starting zone</u> and obviously ran to the bottom of the path, although the debris was not visible. Measured on gps, the <u>slide</u> is 300-450' wide

Slide was noticed by a member of BBSP on Monday 2/19, and likely happened on 2/18 or late 2/17.

Number of slides

1

Number caught

0

Number buried

0

Trigger

Natural trigger

R size

3

D size

2.5

Bed Surface

O - Old snow

Problem Type

Persistent Weak Layer

Slab Thickness

18.0 inches

Vertical Fall

1800ft

Slab Width 350.00ft Images

Natural avalanche near Bridger Peak

Snow Observation Source

Natural avalanche on Bridger Peak

Slab Thickness units inches
Single / Multiple / Red Flag
Single Avalanche
Advisory Year
23-24