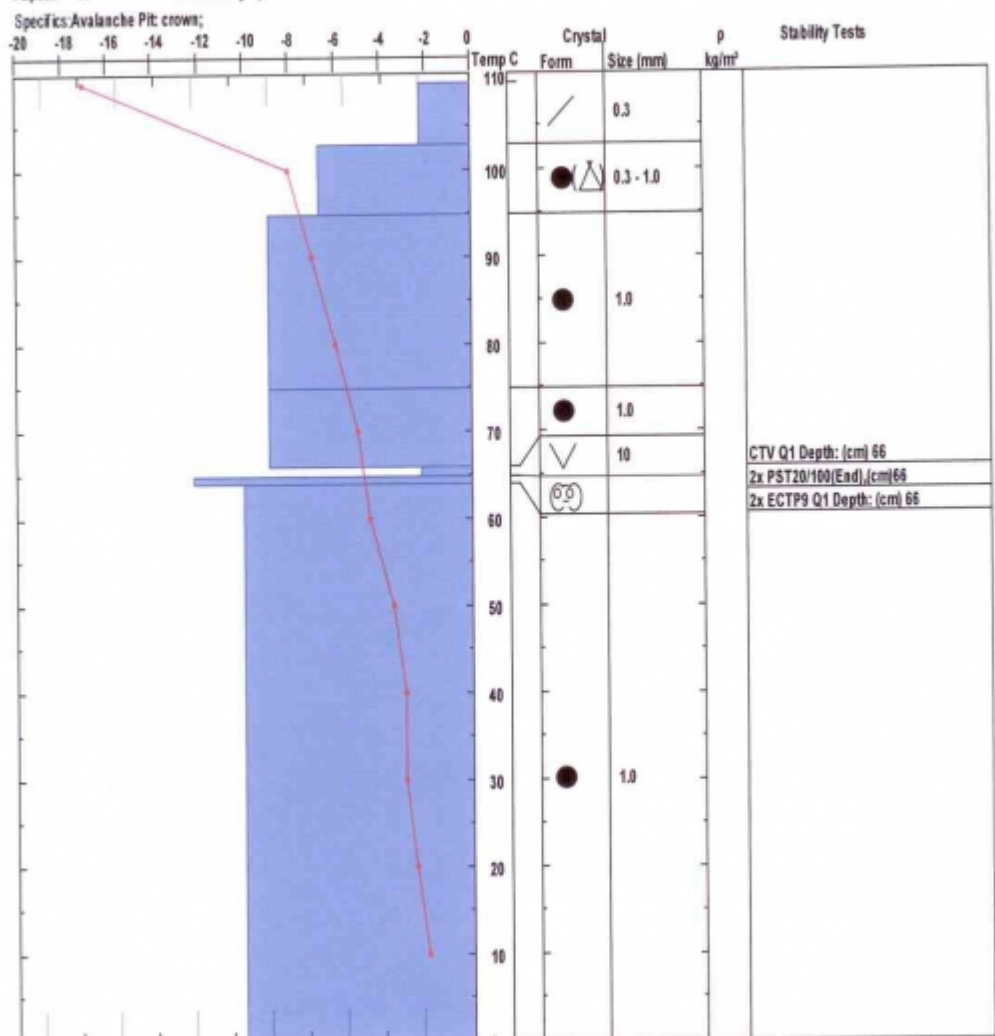


Snow Pit Profile: Observer: YC Ski Patrol  
 YC South Study Plot: Thu Dec 16 15:14:56 MST 2010  
 Madison, MT Co-ord: N W  
 Elevation (ft): 9080 Slope: 22  
 Aspect: 80 Wind loading: previous  
 Stability on similar slopes: Fair  
 Air Temperature: -13 C  
 Sky Coversky 4/8 to 8/8 covered  
 Precipitation: None  
 Wind: Calm

Stability Test Notes: Layer notes:  
 65-66: Problematic Layer



Notes: Pit by Doug McCabe & Dewey Neighbor. Crown profile of small skier released slide on 22 degree slope adjacent to ski area boundary. Slide approx 50' wide by 1' crown.

This snowpit is from a skier triggered avalanche near Big Sky on a 22 degree slope. The snowpack is mostly strong dense snow except for a very weak layer of surface hoar sitting on top of a crust about 17 inches down. Pit image: YC Ski Patrol

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