

Two skiers caught in avalanche on Ross Peak

Date

Mon, 12/05/2022 - 00:30

Activity

Skiing

Two skiers triggered an avalanche while ascending the Banana [Couloir](#) on Ross Peak on the morning of 12/5/22. The skiers were approximately 150 ft from the top of the [couloir](#) when the avalanche broke 20 ft above the upper skier. The [slide](#) broke in wind drifted snow 6 inches deep and approximately 30 ft wide, across most of the [couloir](#). The lower skier was waiting in a "safe spot on the side" but was also caught by the [slide](#). The [slide](#) ran ~600 vertical feet, pulling out a deeper pocket of snow (1.5-2 ft deep) midway down the path. Both skiers were fully submerged as they were carried, but ended up partially buried near the toe of the debris. One skier had snow packed into his mouth and underneath his eyelids. They returned to the trailhead under their own power.

Region

Bridger Range