Natural Avalanches and Cracking, Lionhead

Lionhead Ridge Lionhead Range 1/15/2024 Code SS-R1-D1.5-O Latitude 44.71450 Longitude -111.31800 Notes

From Obs: "While riding today on Lionhead we saw several natural releases on steeper terrain Mainly on Targhee Peak. On all aspects of slopes we experienced large cracks and collapses that would extended 75 plus yards ahead of our sled. We did not venture into steeper slopes but it sure felt like they would <u>slide</u> easily if we did!"

Second Ob from FB Messenger: Shooting cracks on many slopes. Watch the <u>video</u> at 10:30 for examples

Number of slides

1

Number caught

0

Number buried

0

Avalanche Type

Soft slab avalanche

R size

1

D size

1.5

Bed Surface

O - Old snow

Problem Type

Persistent Weak Layer

Images

Natural Avalanche in Lionhead

Snow Observation Source

Widespread cracks and collapses.

Slab Thickness units

centimeters

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Single Avalanche

Advisory Year

23-24