



This avalanche was triggered by explosives by the Moonlight Basin Ski Patrol; however, this slope was heavily wind loaded and could have easily been triggered by a skier or rider. The snowpack is thin and weak with very large facets sitting under a fresh wind slab. This is a classic recipe for an avalanche. See a snowpit from the adjacent slope at: <http://bit.ly/tL6j78> Also, see a video: <http://bit.ly/vyZgut> Photo: GNFAC

Advisory Region  
Northern Madison  
Longitude  
-111.44W  
Latitude  
45.29N

**Forecast link:** [GNFAC Avalanche Advisory for Fri Dec 9, 2011GNFAC Avalanche Forecast for Sat Dec 10, 2011](#)

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