Limited re-freeze in Southern Bridgers

Date Thu, 03/27/2025 - 10:30 Activity Skiing

We skied Saddle as early as we could after the lifts opened, but we were still a bit late, and/or there was limited overnight refreeze, I suspect more of the latter. Clear-ish skies overnight had me optimistic, but warms temps seem to have dominated below 9000 ft.

The first 100 vertical feet from the summit skied quite well where a thin melt-freeze crust was just starting to break down. Overcast skies and L-M winds likely limited warming. Below 9000 ft we poked around and found the top 15-20cm was moist and unsupportive on NE-SE aspects. We kicked off numerous roller balls but no actual loose wet avalanches.

The best skiing was in previously skied areas, such as the guts of going home chute, or in-bounds.

Region Bridger Range Location (from list) Saddle Peak Observer Name N. deLeeuw