

Thin Wind Slab Avalanche near Hardscrabble

Fairy Lake
Bridger Range
4/9/2025
Code
SS-N-R1-D1-I
Elevation
9000
Aspect
SE
Latitude
45.90430
Longitude
-110.95800
Notes

I rode into Fairy Lake. There was 2-3" of new snow above the elevation of Fairy Lake, a trace below. Winds were cranking at ridge top elevation, transporting what soft snow there was. Minimal hazard formation. I spotted one fresh [wind slab](#) avalanche near Hardscrabble. The [slide](#) ran several hundred feet in steep terrain but was very thin (R1,D1).

There was a mostly supportable crust below the new snow about 1" thick. The snow below the crust was moist.

Number of slides
1
Number caught
0
Number buried
0
Avalanche Type
Soft slab avalanche
Trigger
Natural trigger
R size
1
D size
1
Bed Surface
I - Interface between new and old snow
Problem Type
Wind Slab
Slab Thickness
3.0 inches
Vertical Fall
200ft
Slab Width
150.00ft
Images

[Small Wind Slab near Hardscrabble](#)

[Wind Loading in the Northern Bridgers](#)

Snow Observation Source

[Thin Wind Slab Avalanche Hardscrabble](#)

Slab Thickness units

inches

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Single Avalanche

Advisory Year

[24-25](#)