

Skier triggered wind slab near Big Sky

NORTHERN MADISON RANGE

Northern Madison

1/12/2024

Code

HS-ASu-R2-D2-O

Elevation

9700

Aspect

S

Latitude

45.29520

Longitude

-111.41000

Notes

On 1/12/24, a skier triggered a 2 ft deep avalanche on a wind loaded south facing slope at 9700 ft near Big Sky and was caught and carried by it.

Number of slides

1

Number caught

1

Number buried

0

Avalanche Type

Hard slab avalanche

Trigger

Skier

Trigger Modifier

u-An unintentional release

R size

2

D size

2

Bed Surface

O - Old snow

Problem Type

Wind-Drifted Snow

Slab Thickness

24.0 inches

Slab Thickness units

inches

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Single Avalanche

Advisory Year

23-24