# Skier triggered avalanche near Saddle Peak 

Argentina Bowl<br>Bridger Range<br>1/15/2020<br>Code<br>SS-ASu-R3-D2.5-O<br>Elevation<br>8600<br>Aspect<br>E<br>Latitude<br>45.78690<br>Longitude<br>-110.93500

Notes

Skier triggered avalanche in Argentina Bowl on Saddle Peak. Observed from the highway. Occurred during the day on Wednesday, 1/15/2020.

From e-mail: "Skiers triggered two separate slides on south Saddle this afternoon. we witnessed the smaller slide to the lookers right of the big slide, the bigger one happened later apparently... The first smaller slide was caused by a ski cut near the trees, fracture was about 2 feet, soft slab that seemed to run on a thin sun crust. below the sun crust was also very weak and sugary. Not sure when the second skier went farther out and triggered the whole bowl, but they got lucky!!"

Number of slides
1
Number caught
1
Number buried
0
Avalanche Type
Soft slab avalanche
Trigger
Skier
Trigger Modifier
u-An unintentional release
R size
3
D size
2.5

Bed Surface
O - Old snow
Problem Type
Persistent Weak Layer
Slab Thickness
36.0 inches

Vertical Fall

1000 ft
Slab Width
600.00 ft

Images
Avalanches on saddle Peak/Argentina Bowl Close up
Avalanches on Saddle Peak/Argentina Bowl
Skier triggered avalanche in Argentina Bowl
Slab Thickness units
inches
Single / Multiple / Red Flag
Single Avalanche
Advisory Year
19-20

