

## Skier triggered avalanche near Saddle Peak

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

1000ft

Slab Width

600.00ft

Images

[Avalanches on saddle Peak/Argentina Bowl Close up](#)

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[Skier triggered avalanche in Argentina Bowl](#)

Slab Thickness units

inches

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Single Avalanche

Advisory Year

[19-20](#)