

Natural small wind slab and dry loose near Cooke

COOKE CITY

Cooke City

2/27/2020

Code

SS-N-R1-D1.5-S

Elevation

9300

Aspect

NE

Latitude

45.02020

Longitude

-109.93800

Notes

From email 2/28: "Photo attached of a natural avalanche from yesterday, just south of Cooke City. It's on an E, NE [aspect](#), with a crown around 9,300'. Looks like it occurred yesterday am, as a result of a [cornice](#) fall.

Additionally we observed quite a few natural, point release avalanches on mid elevation easterly aspects yesterday too. Lots of sunshine, and temperatures in the valley bottom slightly above freezing yesterday.

Overall we didn't find the fresh wind drifts to be too widespread though."

Number of slides

1

Number caught

0

Number buried

0

Avalanche Type

Soft slab avalanche

Trigger

Natural trigger

R size

1

D size

1.5

Bed Surface

S - Avalanche released within new snow

Problem Type

Wind-Drifted Snow

Slab Thickness

8.0 inches

Vertical Fall

700ft

Slab Width

20.00ft

Images

[Small wind slab near Cooke](#)

Slab Thickness units

inches

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Single Avalanche

Advisory Year

[19-20](#)