

Lots of Layers in the Northern Absorka's

Date

Sat, 02/19/2022 - 11:00

Activity

Snowboarding

Our group toured up Zeppo's bowl from the South Fork of Deep Creek Saturday AM. Lots of snow being transported by wind both on the ridgelines and valley bottoms as the wind was swirling. We dug a pit at the bottom of a protected north facing couloir (N aspect, 8450') and got CT 16 and ECTN 15 @ 50cm deep.

There was also a cohesive soft slab of recent snow about 19cm deep on the surface of the snowpack that did not react during our pit. However, as we continued to ascend we noticed this layer becoming more reactive. We eventually turned around at 8,800 feet due to reactive hand pits and one shooting crack.

Region

Out of Advisory Area

Observer Name

Scott