

Beehive basin snowpits

Date

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Activity

Skiing

We toured into Beehive Basin and dug a pit at the top of the west facing slope near "Tyler's" around 9,000'. The snowpack is often shallower here and weaker. HS was 116cm and we had ECTX. There were 4-6mm facets near the ground and 2-4mm facets above that which could be a problem with a large load, but seemed unlikely to cause an avalanche today. We went over the ridge and dug on an east [aspect](#) at 9,100'. Here HS was 190cm and we could see the stripe of [surface hoar](#) 75cm down. We had an ECTP29 on the [surface hoar](#) layer. [Stability](#) has been trending better with minimal recent snow, and avalanches breaking on these weak layers seem unlikely unless they are loaded by a big storm...

Region

Northern Madison

Location (from list)

Beehive Basin

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