Whumpfing in Fingers Meadow

Bridger Bowl Bridger Range 12/12/2023 Code Latitude 45.81560 Longitude -110.92300 Notes

Skinned up the closed ski area to the Fingers Meadow above the Pierres Knob chairlift. Got a substantial <u>collapse</u> (whumpf) while skinning and stopped to dig a pit at that location. E <u>aspect</u>, 8100 ft. Snowpack consisted of 6-8" of old, weak, <u>faceted snow</u> at the ground capped by ~18" of snow that has fallen over the last week.

ECT broke on the old snow while isolating the column. Twice (ECTPV x 2). Clear signs of instability kept us out of avalanche terrain.

Number of slides 1 Number caught 0 Number buried 0 Snow Observation Source <u>Unstable snow in Fingers Meadow</u> Slab Thickness units centimeters Single / Multiple / Red Flag Single Avalanche Advisory Year 23-24