

Poor Structure and Variable Depth/Conditions in Hellroaring

Date

Sat, 01/20/2024 - 04:10

Activity

Skiing

Spent a day digging out the Hut in the Centennial Saturday 1/20. Our hasty pit, 20 deg. SW aspect at 7,000' about 1/2 way into the hut showed 75 cm snow depth and various sized facets to a depth of 45 cm from the ground overlain by new snow. The structure was poor, and weak but we did not observe propagation in an ECT. Snow surfaces were damp on all aspect that we touched below 8,000', pin wheel rollers on many steep slopes could be seen near the creek. Plenty of collapsing and "whumfing" on the way in kept us wary. Snow depths below 7,000 feet were as shallow as I have seen in 10 years operating the hut.

Region

Island Park

Location (from list)

Centennials - Montana

Observer Name

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