

Beehive basin pits

Date

Sat, 03/30/2024 - 12:50

Activity

Skiing

Today, myself and 5 others toured up beehive basin for an avalanche 2 course. In the morning a pit was dug in the bonus wiggles on a south facing slope. The biggest takeaway from this was the melt freeze crust on the surface. This pit experienced an ECTP-22 and CT-15-Q1. Both tests failed on depth hoar 40 cm above the ground. Another pit was dug on an east facing slope on the west side of beehive basin in an opening between tree fields, about 30ft from the ridge line. The biggest takeaways from this pit where a PST 40/120-end at the surface hoar-melt freeze crust interface 40cm above the ground and ECTN on the upper crust. As for the surface, the surface crust softened for the afternoon decent. There was little to no wind today and no evidence of wind slab, no observed avalanches, and no observed cracking or collapsing.

Region

Northern Madison

Location (from list)

Beehive Basin