Natural avalanches in Lionhead

Lionhead Ridge
Lionhead Range
1/1/2019
Code
SS-N-R2-D2-O
Aspect
E
Latitude
44.72430
Longitude
-111.32100
Notes

This avalanche in Airplane Bowl off Lionhead Ridge, is south facing at 9,000'. The avalanche was 1-2' deep, 100' vertical and 150' wide (estimated). It likely broke late Sunday or Monday (12/31), during or immediately after the Avalanche Warning. Weak, faceted snow could not support the weekends snowstorm and there were widespread slides. Many of the crowns and debris piles were covered over with wind drifted snow, but there were many slides off the ridge on the facets.

Multiple Avalanches
Number of slides
1
Number caught
0
Number buried
0
Avalanche Type
Soft slab avalanche
Trigger
Natural trigger
R size
2
D size
2
Bed Surface
O - Old snow
Problem Type
New Snow
Weak Layer Grain type
Faceted Crystals
Images
Natural Avalanche on Lionhead Ridge
Attached Videos
Avalanche on Lionhead Ridge
Slab Thickness units
centimeters
Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Multiple Avalanches
Advisory Year
18-19