New snow and small rider triggered slide

Date
Mon, 02/06/2023 - 14:10
Activity
Snowmobiling

We rode north of Round Lake this morning (2/6/23). Near Long lake we measured 9" of new snow = 0.55" snow water equivalent. Near the Goose Lake wilderness boundary we measured 10" new snow = 0.65" SWE. In places there were 1mm facets below the new snow.

Wind was moderate-strong at the ridgelines, but calm around the lakes.

There was a small snowmobiler triggered slide on a convex bench between Sheep Mtn. and Round Lake that was triggered this afternoon. It was 1.5-2' deep, 30' wide, and looked to have broke on a weak layer below last week's snow, on a freshly wind-loaded slope. In a relatively shallow, rocky area (photo attached).

Region
Cooke City
Location (from list)
Sheep Mountain
Observer Name
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