



Mark Staples investigates cracks in the snow near the edges of the gully. The circle shows the crack from the avalanche. The slope above the fracture settled and cracked as we approached. A thick layer of unconsolidated facets was loaded with a dense, 1 finger to pencil hardness wind slab.

Advisory Region  
Northern Gallatin  
Longitude  
-110.95W  
Latitude  
45.42N

**Forecast link:** [GNFAC Avalanche Forecast for Sat Dec 12, 2009](#)  
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