Hyalite Canyon

Date Sat, 01/29/2022 - 12:40 Activity Skiing

Skinned up into Maid of the Mist Basin and dropped over the ridgeline into the Basin below Mount Bole to ski a couloir to the north. We found widespread windslab on all aspects, nothing was reactive, but it was enough to make the skiing bad and unpredictable - one turn would be great, the next you'd be in breakable crust.

We dug 2 snowpits, both on SE-facing slopes at about 9600ft. Dug down ~100cm in each pit looking for nearsurface instabilities. Had no unstable test results, but found a lot of weak faceted snow in both pits. Lots of people out skiing didn't observe any avalanches or signs of instability.

Region Northern Gallatin Location (from list) Mt. Bole Observer Name Mike Lavery