Two Natural Avalanches Ernie Miller

Bacon Rind Southern Madison 12/2/2022 Code SS-N-R2-D2-O Elevation

9600

Aspect Range

E-NE, W

Latitude

44.95750

Longitude

-111.09700

Notes

Toured up to Bacon Rind today and skied meadows off of the ridge. Noted many collapses and whumpfs in the snowpack as we ascended east aspects to the ridge. Looking toward Ernie Miller ridge, we noted an old crown in the main bowl just below the summit. It was on an E-NE <u>aspect</u>, 200 or more feet wide and looked to be filled in with new snow but was still visible. Looking east from the top of the ridge, we noted another crown on a west aspect that looked to be about 100' wide and deep.

Number of slides

2

Number caught

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Number buried

0

Avalanche Type

Soft slab avalanche

Trigger

Natural trigger

R size

2

D size

2

Bed Surface

O - Old snow

Problem Type

Persistent Weak Layer

Slab Thickness

16.0 inches

Images

visible crown on the steep rollover, center in photo

Visible crown on Ernie Miller ridge

Snow Observation Source

Bacon Rind Propagation

Natural slide and poor stability on Ernie Miller Ridge

Slab Thickness units inches Single / Multiple / Red Flag Multiple Avalanches Advisory Year 22-23