Rider Triggered Avalanche on Henderson Mountain

Henderson Mountain Cooke City 3/2/2024 Code HS-AMr-R3-D3-O Aspect E Latitude 45.05240 Longitude

-109.94500 Notes

Slab Thickness 60.0 inches Vertical Fall

1500ft Slab Width 1000.00ft

Riders triggered a very large avalanche on the east side of Henderson Mountain while riding across a slope below. No one was caught in the avalanche and the debris pile was estimated 20' deep in spots.

From another obs. "Watched a large avalanche come down the big Avi path on the east side of Henderson. The avalanche covered many snowmobile tracks from that afternoon. The crown varied and extended for 1,000 feet below the summit ridge. It was a huge volume of snow that reached Fisher Creek. The snowmobilers were lucky, as it was large enough to be buried deep."

Number of slides

1
Number caught
0
Number buried
0
Avalanche Type
Hard slab avalanche
Trigger
Snowmobile
Trigger Modifier
r-A remote avalanche released by the indicated trigger
R size
3
D size
3
Bed Surface
O - Old snow
Problem Type
Persistent Weak Layer

Images

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Avalanche on Henderson Mountain, 4

Avalanche on Henderson Mountain, 3

Avalanche on Henderson Mountain, 2

Avalanche on Henderson Mountain, 1

Snow Observation Source

Avalanche on Henderson Mountain

Slab Thickness units

inches

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Single Avalanche

Advisory Year

23-24