## **Natural Avalanches on Saddle Peak**

Saddle Peak Bridger Range 3/16/2022 Code N-R2-D2 Elevation 8950 Aspect E Latitude 45.79430 Longitude -110.93600 Notes

We observed a natural avalanche on Saddle Peak on our drive home today. The Bridger Range received 7" of heavy snow equal to 1" of <u>snow water equivalent</u> in the last 24 hours. During the day we saw heavy windloading occurring on the high peaks of the range including Saddle.

Bridger Bowl Ski Patrol noted a few slides in the morning (one cornice triggered), estimated 2' deep.

"...<u>cornice</u> triggered <u>slide</u> on saddle today. Broke a couple of feet deep, and I couldn't get too close to the crown but it seemed to have initially broken in the new snow and then stepped down to a PWL below the recent crust...propagated maybe 130ft wide and ran all the way over the saddle cliff to the flats."

Number caught 0 Number buried 0 Trigger Natural trigger R size 2 D size 2 Problem Type Wind-Drifted Snow Vertical Fall 1200ft Slab Width 150.00ft Images Debris from Saddle Peak avalanches Natural Avalanche Saddle Peak Slab Thickness units centimeters Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Multiple Avalanches Advisory Year <u>21-22</u>