

Faceting and Wind Loading in Bridger Range

Date

Mon, 12/05/2022 - 15:00

Activity

Skiing

The snowpack is getting punchy and soft, especially around rocks. The faceting has been taking a bit of a toll even though the snowpack is - relative to many Decembers - kind of deep.

It was very windy in the base aream, and there were strong southerly winds blowing all the way up past the top of Bridger. It looked like there was plenty of windloading in the usual areas for southerly winds (like that northerly-facing side of north bowl). Lots of plumes coming off the ridge, and Saddle looked like it was getting blasted pretty good. We are certainly thinking about a hardslab on top of facets in the future.

Region

Bridger Range

Location (from list)

Bridger Bowl

Observer Name

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