

Alex Lowe Peak

Date

Sun, 02/12/2023 - 00:30

Activity

Skiing

Yesterday we toured around Alex Lowe Peak. We conducted a quick stability test on a northern aspect at the base of the peak. The result was an ECTN 13 @15cm. After the test we gave the column a few more hits (~ECTN 33) and it broke 70cm. Although it took some effort the shear was very clean. We ascended up the East face of Alex Lowe and observed isolated fractures of the top layer, about 20cm in depth, while cutting the skin track (see photo). While descending the North face the top layer sluffed readily, especially in wind loaded pockets, but no propagation was noted. During our exit at around 4pm we noticed significant wet loose releases on southern aspects (see photo).

Region

Northern Gallatin

Location (from list)

Alex Lowe Peak

Observer Name

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