

# Cornice Fall Avalanches in upper South Cottonwood

Alex Lowe Peak  
Northern Gallatin  
3/1/2025  
Code  
C-N-R1-D1.5  
Elevation  
9000  
Aspect  
N  
Latitude  
45.42720  
Longitude  
-111.01400  
Notes

Pictures of two [cornice](#) triggered avalanches way up the South Cottonwood drainage that was viewed from Alex Lowe. Looks to be in the recent days, around 9,000 feet North facing.

Also a massive [cornice](#) that had cracked and was slowly making its way towards falling down. [Cornice](#) was around 50 feet long, and largely overhanging. On the standard ascent of the East Ridge of Alex Lowe, the skin [track](#) usually travels below this [cornice](#) while ascending to the ridge.

Number of slides  
2  
Number caught  
0  
Number buried  
0  
Avalanche Type  
Cornice fall  
Trigger  
Natural trigger  
R size  
1  
D size  
1.5  
Problem Type  
Cornice Fall  
Images  
[Cornice triggered natural avalanche, South Cottonwood](#)  
Snow Observation Source  
[Falling Cornices](#)  
Slab Thickness units  
centimeters  
Single / Multiple / Red Flag  
Multiple Avalanches  
Advisory Year

