Cornice Fall Triggered Avalanche in Sage Basin

Taylor Fork Southern Madison 2/26/2025 Code HS-NC-R2-D2-O Elevation 9200 Aspect NE Latitude 44.94920

Longitude

-111.30900

Notes

Another day of warm temps and clear skies allowed us to cover a lot of ground in the Southern Madisons. We rode into the Taylor Fork, up to the weather station, to the top of Carrot Basin, through Sage Basin, up and over into Cabin Creek, and all the way up to the head of Red Canyon.

We spotted a few old avalanches. One in Cabin Creek that was triggered two days ago by snowmobilers on a N facing aspect. At the top of Carrot Basin, we saw a small avalanche (R1-D1) on a N aspect that likely broke yesterday on buried weak layers. We also spotted one cornice-fall triggered (R2-D2) avalanche that broke earlier this week in Sage Basin and then an older wind slab in Sunlight Basin.

Number of slides

1

Number caught

0

Number buried

0

Avalanche Type

Hard slab avalanche

Trigger

Cornice fall

R size

2

D size

2

Bed Surface

O - Old snow

Problem Type

Cornice Fall

Vertical Fall

200ft

Slab Width

200.00ft

Images

Cornice Fall Avalanche in Sage Basin

Cornice fall triggered large slide in Sage Basin

Snow Observation Source

Still Wary of Persistent Weak Layers

Slab Thickness units

centimeters

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Single Avalanche

Advisory Year

<u>24-25</u>