Wind Slabs in Frazier Basin

Date Sat, 03/15/2025 - 14:00 Activity Skiing

Winds in the Frazier Basin zone were stronger than expected with moderate to strong gusts at the ridge, increasing through the day.

Light flurries <S1 through the morning increasing to S1 by the time of our exit. Tough to gauge accumulation due to the wind but would guess 2-3cm total through the day. New snow from yesterday and today is generally not well bonded to the underlying surfaces which range from windboard, supportable crusts, and old wind slabs depending on aspect/wind exposure, and this made for challenging uphill travel at times.

We noticed two large windslab pockets that had released since yesterday's snow. One at the base of Hardscrabble Peak on a N aspect, the other in one of the SE facing gullies that access the Peak 9299/Hollywood Headwall ridge (see photo).

Region Bridger Range Location (from list) Frazier Basin Observer Name Jordan Rogers