

Natural Avalanche, 2nd Yellowmule

Buck Ridge
Northern Madison
2/20/2023
Code
SS-N-R2-D2-I
Elevation
9400
Aspect
NE
Latitude
45.17190
Longitude
-111.38000
Notes

We rode through First and Second Yellowmule at Buck Ridge. There was a natural avalanche below the [cornice](#) line on the headwall above second Yellowmule that broke within the last 12 hours as it was not covered by any new snow. From a distance, it looked ~200' wide and broke 1-3' deep. I believe it failed under the storm snow, not of deeper weak layers.

Number of slides
1
Number caught
0
Number buried
0
Avalanche Type
Soft slab avalanche
Trigger
Natural trigger
R size
2
D size
2
Bed Surface
I - Interface between new and old snow
Problem Type
Wind-Drifted Snow
Slab Thickness
24.0 inches
Vertical Fall
75ft
Slab Width
200.00ft
Images
[Natural Avalanche, 2nd Yellowmule](#)
Attached Videos

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Snow Observation Source

Natural Avalanche and Thick Drifts at Buck Ridge

Slab Thickness units

inches

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Single Avalanche

Advisory Year

22-23