

Beehive/Bear Obs

Date

Wed, 04/02/2025 - 20:15

Activity

Skiing

Skied around Beehive Basin today; there was lots of new snow and very little wind effect. Skied into the top of Bear Basin from Beehive by going up going home and down the east side, right-side-up powder skiing. While descending Island Boy into the South Fork of Spanish Creek, we had similar 60-100 cm of right-side-up new snow on a heavily textured melt-freeze layer of old snow. Felt the snow density stiffen up from light low density snow around 300 meters down the ski line so cut to the left into a safe zone, the slope at the my skis broke about 15-20 meters wide and 15 cm deep at the flanks to 40cm deep in the gut, SS-ASu-R1-D1.5-I-M(L)-TK. About 30 meters downhill, the [slab](#) rode up onto the new snow and ran out of momentum before reaching the runout. Right where the slope broke, we had wind wrapping around the north ridge cross-[loading](#) the [couloir](#) (skiers left to right), downslope, and on skiers' right of the line, there was no evidence of wind transport. Skied the rest of the line and looped back into Beehive with no other excitement.

Region

Northern Madison

Location (from list)

Bear Basin

Observer Name

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