

Natural avalanches in Lionhead

Lionhead Ridge

Lionhead Range

1/1/2019

Code

SS-N-R2-D2-O

Aspect

E

Latitude

44.72430

Longitude

-111.32100

Notes

This avalanche in Airplane Bowl off Lionhead Ridge, is south facing at 9,000'. The avalanche was 1-2' deep, 100' vertical and 150' wide (estimated). It likely broke late Sunday or Monday (12/31), during or immediately after the Avalanche Warning. Weak, [faceted snow](#) could not support the weekends snowstorm and there were widespread slides. Many of the crowns and debris piles were covered over with wind drifted snow, but there were many slides off the ridge on the facets.

Multiple Avalanches

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

O - Old snow

Problem Type

New Snow

Weak Layer Grain type

Faceted Crystals

Images

[Natural Avalanche on Lionhead Ridge](#)

Attached Videos

[Avalanche on Lionhead Ridge](#)

Slab Thickness units

centimeters

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Multiple Avalanches
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[18-19](#)