Unstable hard slab in the Bridgers, and two collapses

The Ramp
Bridger Range
1/20/2024
Code
HS-ASc-R3-D1-O
Elevation
8400
Aspect
N
Latitude
45.82880
Longitude
-110.93100
Notes

Toured up the Ramp in the Bridger Range. At the top of The Ramp/Wolverine I pushed on some small wind-loaded terrain features with skis. About three inches of soft snow moved/cracked no wider than my ski width, then one step lower a hard slab cracked out about 10' wide, 10-12" deep and did not move more than a few inches downhill due to flatter terrain supporting it below. The slab was pencil hardness which leads me to believe it was older than the last snowfall on Wed-Thurs, but possible it formed during that event if there was a period of moderate-strong wind at the ridge.

I had two other terrain-feature sized "whumphs" on similar small wind-loaded slopes directly adjacent. These hard slabs were sitting on sugary facets, and show that avalanches can be triggered on previously wind-loaded slopes.

Number of slides
1
Number caught
0
Number buried
0
Avalanche Type
Hard slab avalanche
Trigger
Skier
Trigger Modifier
c-A controlled or intentional release by the indicated trigger
R size
3
D size
1
Bed Surface
O - Old snow
Problem Type
Persistent Weak Layer
Slab Thickness

11.0 inches
Vertical Fall
0ft
Slab Width
10.00ft
Images
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Snow Observation Source
Unstable hard wind slabs in the Bridgers
Slab Thickness units
inches
Single / Multiple / Red Flag
Single Avalanche
Advisory Year
23-24