Blackmore Obs

Date Sun, 01/05/2025 - 14:55 Activity Skiing

Toured up into Blackmore basin this afternoon and skied the SE Shoulder. Moderate winds from the north were transporting some snow, but I was surprised by how calm it was up there. Small cornices had built up on the shoulder. S-1 snowfall beginning at 2pm and increasing as I skied out. The coverage is amazing - nearly tree skiable in the forest and HS on the shoulder around 9650' was 160cm. Top 100cm was F-1F hardness; bottom 60cm were weaker, faceted grains. I saw no cracking or collapsing.

The one thing of note was a recent avalanche on the north face of Blackmore. Visibility was poor but it was a small pocket in a steep, rocky zone that broke near the ground.

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