

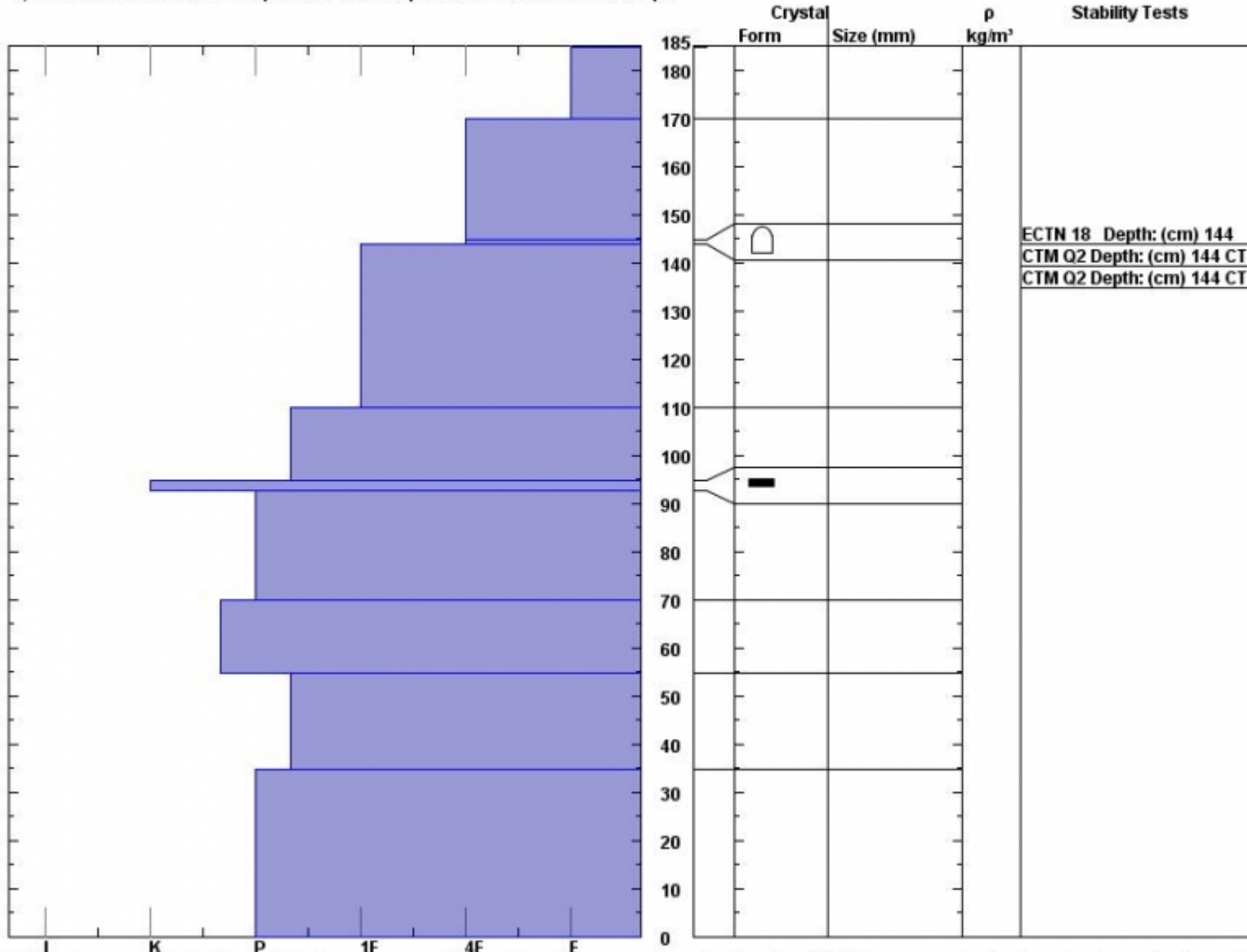
Snow Pit Profile  
**Scotch Bonnet**  
**Beartooth, MT**  
 Elevation (ft) **10000**  
 Aspect: **135**

Observer: **Doug Chabot**  
**Mon Jan 03 10:40:00 MST 2011**  
 Co-ord: **45.0705 N 109.94370 W**  
 Slope: **30**  
 Wind loading: **no**

Stability on similar slopes: **Good**  
 Air Temperature: **C**  
 Sky Cover: **Clear**  
 Precipitation: **None**  
 Wind: **Calm**

Stability Test Notes: Layer note  
**144-145: F**

Specifics: **Recent act on diff slopes. We skied slope. Snowmobile tracks on slope.**



Notes: I was surprised at how stable the snow was. The only breaks were on the mixed facets at 145. These are clearly strengthening and not a problem. A pocket pulled out on an adjacent slope, but only the new snow slid.

This snowpit was dug in an area that produced clean, propagating shears December 21. Now things are looking much better. There are no layers in this snowpack that concern me. The only stability issues are on slopes with a recent wind-load. Check out the next photo "lulu pass wind slab" to see what we mean. Photo: GNFAC

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Forecast link: [GNFAC Avalanche Advisory for Tue Jan 4, 2011](#) [GNFAC Avalanche Forecast for Wed Jan 5,](#)

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