

Reactive wind slabs, future wet snow hazards

Date

Sat, 04/05/2025 - 18:55

Activity

Skiing

We skied near Henderson Mtn. and Lulu Pass. Skies were clear with a light breeze near the ridgelines. Temperatures stayed below or just barely above freezing.

We saw a couple 3-6" deep natural [wind slab](#) avalanches and a few dry loose slides that looked to have happened within the last 24 hours. On southerly slopes below 9,000' there were some wet loose slides from yesterday afternoon.

Wind slabs were still reactive today. We triggered 3 small, 3-8" deep x 5-15' wide, hard wind (1F+) slabs on convex test slopes well below the main ridgelines. 9,800', NE aspects. Also triggered one softer (4F) [wind slab](#) just below the high ridgeline, 10,200', NE [aspect](#). 10-15' wide x 6-8" deep.

Snow stayed dry on northerly/shady slopes. Any sunny slopes got moist and had a crust formed by late this afternoon. We did not notice any fresh wet loose slides or roller balls on southerly slopes above 9,000'.

Stay alert for unstable drifts of snow, wind slabs formed last week are still breaking. Anticipate wet snow hazards to increase in size and distribution as the days get hotter this week.

Region

Cooke City

Location (from list)

Henderson Mountain

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