Skier triggered Avalanche north of Divide Peak.

Divide Peak
Northern Gallatin
1/18/2020
Code
SS-ASc-R2-D2-U
Elevation
9600
Aspect Range
E-SE
Latitude
45.40540
Longitude

-110.97500 Notes

12.0 inches Slab Width 30.00ft

From obs: "There is a small east facing basin that's between Divide Peak and Maid of the Mist Basin. While walking along the ridge that connects the two, my partner intentionally broke off a large piece of a cornice, which then triggered two substantially sized avalanches in the basin below. The first avalanche was directly beneath the collapsed cornice with a crown 6-12 inches deep and about 30 ft across. The second avalanche was triggered by the 1st avalanche and had a crown of similar depth but was substantially larger. It was hard to see as the crown travelled uphill and around a corner. The ascpet was E and SE, at the elevation of 9,600ft. The pictures I got are poor, but should give you an idea of the size."

Number of slides Number caught Number buried Avalanche Type Soft slab avalanche Trigger Skier Trigger Modifier c-A controlled or intentional release by the indicated trigger R size 2 D size **Bed Surface** U - Unknown Problem Type Wind-Drifted Snow Slab Thickness

Images

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Slab Thickness units inches Single / Multiple / Red Flag Single Avalanche Advisory Year 19-20