Middle Peak

Date Sun, 01/24/2021 - 11:42 Activity Skiing

Hey GNAFC,

Enjoyed a sunny tour today to Middle Peak and dug a pit below the ridge at approx 9980 ft, S facing. Attached is our pit data showing a depth of 110 cm with several slab layers (please don't post this photo). We did not find a stout Nov or Dec crust near the ground nor buried surface hoar from before 01/20 wind. Of concern, ECTP20 at 90 cm on the hard slab from last Wednesday's wind event. Also ECTP22 and PST35/100 END at the basal facets.

Noted a few deep slab avalanches mainly on east facing aspects that appeared 1-2 weeks old. See additional photo by Shane K from Middle Peak looking into Beehive Basin. These seemed the break a few hundred feet off of ridge, mid-path. Otherwise, found some new snow dry loose around buttresses and rocks on most other aspects. No cracking/collapsing.

Stay safe and thanks for all you do!

Region Northern Madison Location (from list) Middle Basin Observer Name Hannah Claiborne