Two skiers caught and carried in Beehive

Beehive Basin Northern Madison 4/22/2022 Code SS-AF-R2-D2 Latitude 45.34070 Longitude -111.39100 Notes

Skiers caught and carried in 4th of July Couloir, in Beehive Basin on Friday, April 22nd.

From email: "just under the top of the <u>couloir</u>, my partner noted that the new snow had become much denser, an observation I did not register. Immediately after making this observation, he watched a crack propagate from his ice axe, upslope and to the left about twenty feet. In response, he shouted and attempted to self-arrest, but was unable to resist the moving snow and was pushed over backwards. I was immediately behind him as this happened and noted the moving snow around me as he called out. I'm not entirely sure how, but I managed to move sideways, out of the moving snow, before I had been carried through the constriction in the <u>couloir</u>. As I stood up, I watched as my partner was carried out of the <u>couloir</u> and about halfway down the bowl beneath it, what I would estimate to be 100-200 yards."

Number caught

Number buried

Number buried

Avalanche Type

Soft slab avalanche

Trigger

Foot penetration

R size

D size

Slab Thickness units

centimeters

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Single Avalanche

Advisory Year

21-22

Number of slides