Warm at the Maid

Date Sat, 12/21/2024 - 12:00 Activity Skiing

We got into the Maid basin around 9:30 am while things were still cold. Much evidence of the recent wind event in the alpine with widespread wind slabs ranging in thickness from an inch to feet. There was some natural avalanche activity on the peak south of mt Bole.

Got an ECTN 19 and 23 on a SE aspect at 9300' HS 95cm

This was on a thin layer of facets sitting under a crust at 58cm. With a few prior hand pits showing planar shear on this layer we opted to keep it low angle.

By noon things were getting quite warm and Skiing through the thinly covered, glopy bushwhack back to the trail was our crux for the day.

Region Northern Gallatin Location (from list) Maid of the Mist