

Natural Avalanche, 2nd Yellowmule

Buck Ridge

Northern Madison

2/20/2023

Code

SS-N-R2-D2-I

Elevation

9400

Aspect

NE

Latitude

45.17190

Longitude

-111.38000

Notes

We rode through First and Second Yellowmule at Buck Ridge. There was a natural avalanche below the [cornice](#) line on the headwall above second Yellowmule that broke within the last 12 hours as it was not covered by any new snow. From a distance, it looked ~200' wide and broke 1-3' deep. I believe it failed under the storm snow, not of deeper weak layers.

Number of slides

1

Number caught

0

Number buried

0

Avalanche Type

Soft slab avalanche

Trigger

Natural trigger

R size

2

D size

2

Bed Surface

I - Interface between new and old snow

Problem Type

Wind-Drifted Snow

Slab Thickness

24.0 inches

Vertical Fall

75ft

Slab Width

200.00ft

Images

[Natural Avalanche, 2nd Yellowmule](#)

Attached Videos

[When there are natural avalanches... - Buck Ridge - 20 February 2023](#)

Snow Observation Source

[Natural Avalanche and Thick Drifts at Buck Ridge](#)

Slab Thickness units

inches

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Single Avalanche

Advisory Year

[22-23](#)