

Two skiers caught on town hill, Cooke

Miller Mtn.

Cooke City

2/26/2023

Code

HS-ASu-R3-D2-O

Elevation

8150

Aspect

SE

Latitude

45.02460

Longitude

-109.93200

Notes

We triggered and were caught in an avalanche very near town. We skied the east side of Miller, dropped down to descend the very eastern slope just above town. While standing on approximately a 30-35 degree slope we experienced a release immediately above us. The crown line was approximately 18-24" and extended appx 50' across. We were caught for about 150' before coming to a stop and buried to the thigh. The entire [slide](#) was appx 400' from top to bottom. It was appx a D2.

Number of slides

1

Number caught

2

Number buried

0

Avalanche Type

Hard slab avalanche

Trigger

Skier

Trigger Modifier

u-An unintentional release

R size

3

D size

2

Bed Surface

O - Old snow

Problem Type

Wind-Drifted Snow

Slab Thickness

24.0 inches

Vertical Fall

400ft

Slab Width

50.00ft

Images

[Two skiers caught on town hill, up path, debris](#)

[Two skiers caught on town hill, crown 2](#)

[Two skiers caught on town hill, debris](#)

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Snow Observation Source

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Slab Thickness units

inches

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Single Avalanche

Advisory Year

[22-23](#)