

## Big Avalanche Crown, N. Absaroka Range

Arrastra Creek  
Out of Advisory Area  
4/2/2023  
Code  
HS-N-R4-D3-O  
Elevation  
10200  
Aspect  
SE  
Latitude  
45.26430  
Longitude  
-110.61700  
Notes

From email: "Saw this recent crown while xc skiing out above Mill Creek today. It's on the east-southeast [aspect](#) of Peak 10526 east of Emigrant Peak at ~10,200'. In what I like to call the Arrastra Ridge Avalanche Observatory Plot\*. The photo is taken approximately 5 miles in line of sight from the crown. It is roughly 1000' wide. If I had to guess, the crown is 10'+ tall—definitely a very destructive avalanche. I won't venture a guess on the rating. I'd bet good money it ran all the way to the lake at the head of Burnt Creek and rearranged some timber.

\*If one wanted to create a laboratory for observing large, regularly occurring naturally triggered avalanches, this would be one of the best locations in SW MT."

Number of slides  
1  
Number caught  
0  
Number buried  
0  
Avalanche Type  
Hard slab avalanche  
Trigger  
Natural trigger  
R size  
4  
D size  
3  
Bed Surface  
O - Old snow  
Problem Type  
Persistent Weak Layer  
Slab Thickness  
120.0 inches  
Slab Width  
1000.00ft

Images

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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](#)