Snowmobile Triggered Avalanche Lionhead

Lionhead Ridge
Lionhead Range
1/20/2020
Code
HS-AM-R2-D2-G
Elevation
8800
Aspect
N
Latitude
44.73360
Longitude
-111.32900
Notes

From email: "I wanted to make you aware of a snowmobile triggered slide in Lionhead today. Fortunately, I was not injured, was able to stay completely on top, climbed through the majority of the snow wash after seeing it begin to break, and relatively slowly slid down with the last of the moving snow while still on the machine. When I came to a stop I stood up and was completely free of the snow. Our group is trained in avalanche safety, practiced beacon use prior to leaving town in the morning, were wearing avy gear, and were very fortunate that this ended the way it did.

A clear reminder that this can happen to any of us and to be careful out there."

Number of slides
1
Number caught
1
Number buried
0
Avalanche Type
Hard slab avalanche
Trigger
Snowmobile
R size
2
D size
2
Bed Surface
G - Ground
Problem Type
Persistent Weak Layer
Slab Thickness
48.0 inches
Vertical Fall
300ft
Slab Width

100.00ft
Images
Snowmobiler triggered slide at Lionhead
Slab Thickness units
inches
Single / Multiple / Red Flag
Single Avalanche
Advisory Year
19-20