Graupel layer, Facet layer, and SH obs.

Date Wed, 01/04/2023 - 14:30 Activity Skiing

Dug a quick test pit yesterday (2022-01-04) in Texas Meadows zone on a SW asp at 7800 ft.

Had an ECTN21 down 25 on a thin layer of small (size 0.5-1) facets. Though it didn't propagate, the block sheared off easily and cleanly on this layer after the test.

Also got an ECTN26 down 17 on a layer of graupel ~1cm thick which overlay a melt-freeze crust ~1cm thick. The graupel was large, up to size 5.

We additionally noticed some surface hoar up to size 4 in isolated shady places, though much of it appeared to have been knocked flat from previous wind.

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