

Pleasantly Surprised at Bridger

Date

Thu, 11/14/2024 - 12:00

Activity

Skiing

I went for a quick lap up PK today. Considering my car said 7 degrees Celsius in the parking lot, I was surprised by how soon I ran into dry surface snow on my way up. In sheltered areas approx 7000ft and higher I found 5-10 cm dry snow on a mostly supportive crust on N through E aspects. I didn't closely observe other aspects. At mid-elevations (~7300-7700) winds were moderate with moderate snow transport. Above and below this I experienced light winds and saw evidence of previous wind transport. I travelled to just above PK (~7950).

Dug a quick pit on a NE asp around 7800 ft, and found a mostly right-side-up snowpack with an HS of 40cm. Skiing was enjoyable, if not a bit anxiety-inducing when I ventured off the main runs.

Region

Bridger Range

Location (from list)

Bridger Bowl

Observer Name

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