Ramshorn - Tobacco Roots

Date Sun, 02/13/2022 - 17:35 Activity Skiing

Today we checked out the Ramshorn Peak basin in the Tobacco Roots. We skied a northeast aspect on the southern ridge of Ramshorn and found isolated pockets of wind loading, and an ECT revealed an ECTN 16 @ 20cm (HS 145cm). A couple of hand pits collected on this aspect suggest that this windslab has the potential to move (Q2 shears with easy to moderate difficulty) with new snow or sustained warmer temps. The warmer temps were noticeably effecting the snow at lower elevations and direct south aspects. We observed small pinwheels increase throughout the day on southern aspects, and noticed a large cornice failure on the southeast face of Ramshorn. We found a small and protected wind drift on a southern aspect and, with relative ease, kicked off the cornice (photo).

Region
Dillon Area
Location (from list)
Tobacco Root Mountains
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