

Very large wet avalanche at the YC

Yellowstone Club
Northern Madison
5/19/2020
Code
WS-NC-R4-D3.5-O
Elevation
9840
Aspect
NE
Latitude
45.23110
Longitude
-111.44100
Notes

Doug McCabe left a message:

A very large wet [slab](#) avalanche released on an east [aspect](#) of the YC. It was not human triggered. This is the biggest [slide](#) he has seen on the shoulder with an estimated 6-8' deep crown. The [slide](#) hit a tower. R4/D3.5.

From e-mail (5/20): "Got a better look today. WS-NC-R4.5-D3.5. [Trigger](#) looked to be from a [cornice](#) fall. The crown was measured at 1800' in length and ran full path, 950'. NE facing slope at 9840'. The crown was mostly between 6-8', but ranged from 4' to 9'. The [cornice](#) fall occurred on a shallower section of the snowpack."

Number of slides
1
Number caught
0
Number buried
0
Avalanche Type
Wet slab avalanche
Trigger
Cornice fall
R size
4
D size
3.5
Bed Surface
O - Old snow
Problem Type
Wet Snow
Slab Thickness
72.0 inches

Vertical Fall

950ft

Slab Width

1800.00ft

Images

[Large wet slab at YC debris](#)

[Large wet slab at YC crown far](#)

[Large wet slab at YC crown close](#)

[Natural deep wet slab at YC from Andesite 2](#)

[Natural deep wet slab at YC from Andesite](#)

[Natural deep wet slab at YC 5](#)

[Natural deep wet slab at YC 4](#)

[Natural deep wet slab at YC 3](#)

[Natural deep wet slab at YC 2](#)

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Slab Thickness units

inches

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Single Avalanche

Advisory Year

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