

Reas Peak Avalanche Fatality _2

Accident Report

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Activity

Snowmobiling

Date

1/20/2018

1 snow biker caught, fully buried and killed

Synopsis

On the afternoon of Saturday, January 20, four snow bikers (motorized) were riding southeast of Reas Peak (9,298') in the Centennial Range in Idaho. The group was riding along a trail near a creek bed below 500-700' high slopes that were greater than 35 degrees steepness. Two bikers rode up 15' from the bottom of the slope when it released, catching and burying one. The group had rescue gear and located the victim quickly. The victim's head was 6' from the surface and CPR was initiated but unsuccessful. The avalanche was estimated to be 600' wide, up to 2.5' deep, and 2-300' slope distance. It is classified SS-AMu-R2-D2-O.