

Large whumps, Hebgen Lake

Hebgen Lake
Lionhead Range
2/11/2024
Code
Elevation
8200
Aspect
NE
Latitude
44.83810
Longitude
-111.34300
Notes

A small whumpf in the skin [track](#) was followed by a massive one a few minutes later. I can count on one hand the number of times I got whumpfs in a skin [track](#)...rare indeed. The second one was so big it had us both deeply concerned. We peeled off the skin [track](#) after deciding to not cross a gully and soon found debris from a sizeable avalanche that released a couple days ago about 500' above us. We dug in the flank and had 100cm of snow, 60 cm new from last week. The snowfall during the Avalanche Warning, doubled the depth and more than doubled the [snow water equivalent](#) of the snowpack. It was a large load and avalanches are breaking underneath the new snow.

Karl was using his 100 cm long Norwegian Battle Saw (pic)...a bit overkill.

Number of slides
0
Number caught
0
Number buried
0
Problem Type
Persistent Weak Layer

Images

[The stripe separates the new vs old snow](#)

[Crossing onto the debris](#)

Attached Videos

[Still Dangerous, Hebgen Lake - 11 Feb 2024](#)

Snow Observation Source

[Still Dangerous](#)

Slab Thickness units

centimeters

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Red Flag

Advisory Year

[23-24](#)