

Sawtelle Peak Snowpack

Date

Tue, 11/16/2021 - 09:00

I drove up the Sawtelle Peak road and dug a pit at the snow marker at 8,800'. There was 1.5 feet (60 cm) of snow on the ground. Around 7,000' the snow was on all aspects, but below that there were melted patches. The snow was supportable and there was no cracking or collapsing. A layer of weak, sugary snow 1 foot off the ground broke clean in [stability](#) tests (ECTP 18, 21) and I anticipate this layer will get weaker with time. On the surface there is a thin layer of snow that is faceting and getting weaker. Photos and [snowpit](#) are on this page.

Region

Island Park

Location (from list)

Sawtelle Peak

Observer Name

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