



This snowpit was dug near a recent natural avalanche. Facets under the new snow were obvious while snowmobiling because the track would carve into the facets and make the powder seem deeper than it was. When we stepped off the sleds, we would immediately sink to the ground. See a photo of the avalanche at: <http://www.mtavalanche.com/images/12/small-natural-avalanche-cabin-creek> Photo: GNFAC

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**Forecast link:** [GNFAC Avalanche Forecast for Sat Jan 21, 2012](#)  
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