



American Avalanche Association Forest Service National Avalanche Center Avalanche Incident Report: Short Form



Occurrence Date:(YYYYMMDD) 20200123 Time:(HHMM) 15:00 (estimated)

Reporting Party Name and Address: Matt Primomo, Northwest Avalanche Center, forecasters@nwc.us

Avalanche Characteristics:

Type: R Aspect: S (estimated)
 Trigger N Slope Angle: u n k n o w n
 Size: R /D Elevation: 1700ft m / ft
 Sliding Surface (check one):
 In new New/old In old XGround (roof)

Location:

State: WA County: Chelan Forest: Private residential
 Peak, Mtn Pass, or Drainage: Hwy 97 near Ingalls Creek Rd, Peshastin Creek
 Site Name: _____
 Lat/Lon or UTM: 47.477151, -120.659393 (estimated)
 Datum: _____

Group	Number of People				Dimensions <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> m <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> ft	Average	Maximum	
Caught	1				Height of Crown Face	60cm (estimated)		
Partially Buried— Not-critical		Time Recovered	Duration of Burial	Depth to Face <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> m <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> ft	Width of Fracture	Not available		
					Vertical fall	Not available		
Partially Buried— Critical	1	unknown	unknown	135cm	Snow	Hardness	Grain Type	Grain Size
					Slab	Lower 10cm of the slab was ice		
Completely Buried					Weak Layer			
					Bed Surface	roof		
Number of people injured: _____		Number of people killed: <u>1</u>			Thickness of weak layer: _____ mm / cm / in			

Burial involved a terrain trap? no yes→type: _____ Number of people that crossed start zone before the avalanche: _____
 Location of group in relation to start zone during avalanche: high middle low below all unknown Avalanche occurred during: ascent

Subject	Name	Age	Gender	Address	Phone	Activity
1		46	F			
2						
3						
4						
5						

Equipment Carried	Experience at Activity	Avalanche Training	Signs of Instability Noted by Group	Injuries Sustained	Extent of Injuries or Cause of Death
1 2 3 4 5 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> transceiver <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> shovel <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> probe pole <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> trauma <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> unknown <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> novice <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> intermediate <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> advanced	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> unknown <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> none <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> some <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> advanced	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unknown <input type="checkbox"/> none <input type="checkbox"/> recent avalanches <input type="checkbox"/> shooting cracks <input type="checkbox"/> collapse or whumphing	1 2 3 4 5 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> none <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> first aid <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> doctor's care <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> hospital stay	1 2 3 4 5 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> asphyxiation (est) <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> head trauma <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> spinal injury <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> chest <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> skeletal fractures

Damage Number of Vehicles Caught: _____ Number of Structures Damaged: _____ Estimated \$ Loss: _____

Accident Summary
 At 15:35 (estimated) on January 23, 2020, The victim's partner came home and realized that her car was parked in an unusual location. After searching for her, he found their snowblower running next to a 4 to 5ft deep pile of debris underneath the roof of the garage building. Looking at the debris pile closely, he found her feet sticking out of the debris.

<p>Rescue Summary</p> <p>Her partner dug her out and began CPR. At 15:45, the partner called 911, and additional rescuers arrived within 15 minutes. They continued CPR, but were unable to revive her.</p> <p>Foreaster's note: A major thaw was underway on the day of the accident with rain falling on a previously dry snowpack. The backcountry avalanche danger was forecast as High above treeline, and Considerable near and below treeline with Loose Wet and Wind Slab avalanche problems identified in the bulletin. Rescuers observed that the roof likely contained all of the snow that had accumulated during a cold, snowy period since the first of January. These type of conditions are often associated with roof avalanches. We extend our condolences to the family and friends of the victim.</p>	<p>Rescue Method: 1 2 3 4 5 <input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/> self rescue <input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/> transceiver <input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/> spot probe <input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/> probe line <input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/> rescue dog <input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/> voice <input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/> object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/> digging <input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/> other _____</p>
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Attach additional pages as needed. Include: weather history, snow profiles, reports from other agencies, diagram of site, and any other supporting information.

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