



These crystals changed from snowflakes into angular crystals that are weak and poorly bonded. They are called depth hoar and they form in thin snowpacks when there are cold temperatures. Depth hoar creates conditions favorable for avalanches later in the winter. Photo: Mark Staples

**Forecast link:** [GNFAC Avalanche Advisory for Mon Nov 17, 2014](#)  
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