



REPORT TO THE FAR WEST DIVISION  
**PROGRAM STATUS REPORT**  
*MID SEASON – FWD 2014 - 2015 RECAP*  
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**PROGRAM:** Avalanche

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**SEASON HIGHLIGHTS TO DATE — total classes — total participants**

**Courses completed:**

Three (3) continuing education clinics with focus on 2015 Avalanche Instructor Manual - 29 participants;  
 Three (3) Level 1, Module 1 Avalanche courses (classroom) - 42 participants;  
 One (1) Level 1, Module 2 Avalanche course (field) - 14 participants; and  
 One (1) Level 2 Avalanche For Rescue Personnel - 9 participants (classroom complete/field incomplete)

**Courses currently scheduled:**

One (1) Avalanche Awareness course - February  
 One (1) Level 1, Module 1 Avalanche course (classroom) - March  
 One (1) Level 1, Module 2 Avalanche course (field) - March  
 One (1) Level 1, Module 3 Avalanche course (org. rescue) - March

Cancelled courses: three (3) Level 1 Avalanche courses (all modules)

**SEASON GOALS:**

Creation of online, indexed and annotated photo library for instructor use

Creation of roadmap/checklists for instructor trainee development and tracking

Purchase AAA associate memberships for all active instructors

RA and IT season end call to discuss new AIM experience, quality control, instructor/IT development and 2015/16 course calendar

**ISSUES and RESOLUTIONS:**

December 2014 Level 2 course instructor conflicts and quality control issues resolved with conference calls between parties and IT

December 2014 Level 2 control of course fees issue resolved by deposit of fees with region

Under-development/stagnation of Level 1 instructors-in-training to be addressed with roadmap creation/mentor reassignments in April

November instructor records accuracy/access issues with national office database remains unresolved

Lack of snow during season for course field session - many snow dances performed but issue remains unresolved

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