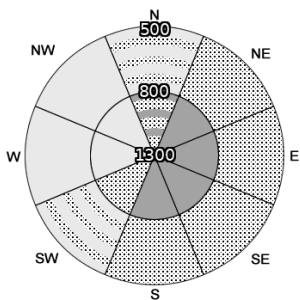


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Thu 29/01/2015 TO 18:00HRS Fri 30/01/2015



Hazard Level	Avalanche Probability
Very High	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. Numerous very large, often extremely large natural avalanches can be expected.
High	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. In some cases, numerous large, often very large sized natural avalanches can be expected.
Considerable	Natural and human triggered avalanches possible, in some cases large, in isolated cases very large sized natural avalanches are possible.
Moderate	Very large sized natural avalanches are unlikely. Human triggering possible in indicated steep places.
Low	Only small and medium sized natural avalanches are possible. Human triggering possible in steep, extreme terrain.

Forecast Weather Influences

Snow showers overnight will becoming more heavy and frequent during the day. Strong West winds will veer and become more North-Westerly. The freezing level will be at 500 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Unstable windslab will continue to develop on North-East through East to Southerly aspects above 800 metres, here avalanches are likely mainly in areas of steep terrain. Corrie rims, gully tops, scarp slopes and crag aprons will be most affected. Cross loading will also affect other Northerly and Southerly aspects. Below this altitude on the same aspects localised unstable windslab will build in steep lee areas. Cornices will be fragile. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Thu 29/01/2015

Observed Weather Influences

A cold dry day with moderate to strong Westerly winds, freezing at all levels.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

New weakly bonded windslab has developed on North-East to South-East aspects above 800 metres mostly around corrie rims and gully tops, with localised accumulations below this altitude. Windslab lies on other aspects due to cross loading. Elsewhere is firm and stable. The avalanche hazard is Considerable

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions	Very firm snow - ice with accumulations of deep windslab on lee slopes, ridges scoured. Visibility mostly good with cloud base lowering to 900m at times. Winds 20 -30 mph.
Comments	Blizzard conditions expected tomorrow