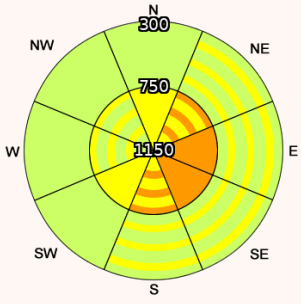
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Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Fri 30/01/2015 TO 18:00HRS Sat 31/01/2015



Hazard Level	Avalanche Probabilty
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

It will remain cold with snow showers through the period. Strong winds will be from the North-North-West.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Unstable windslab will exist and/or be deposited through the period. Most affected will be East and South-Easterly aspects above 750 metres where avalanches are likely. North-East and South aspects will also be affected. Fresh cornices will be fragile. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Fri 30/01/2015

Observed Weather Influences

After a generally dry night, there were a few snow showers through the day. Moderate to strong winds were from the North-West. The freezing level was around 300 metres.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

There was some redistribution of the snowpack through the day. Unstable windslab was observed on North-East through East to South aspects above 750 metres. Recent avalanche debris was noted in a South-Easterly aspect around 1000 metres. Windward aspects are scoured and generally stable. The avalanche hazard is Considerable.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions	Deep snow cover at all levels - some exposed ridges scoured. Cloud base was at 1000 metres all day. Winds 20 -30 mph progress difficult at times with stronger gusts.
Comments	Patches of hard windslab sitting on layers of softer, weaker low density snow. This combination has caught people out in the past. Take Care!