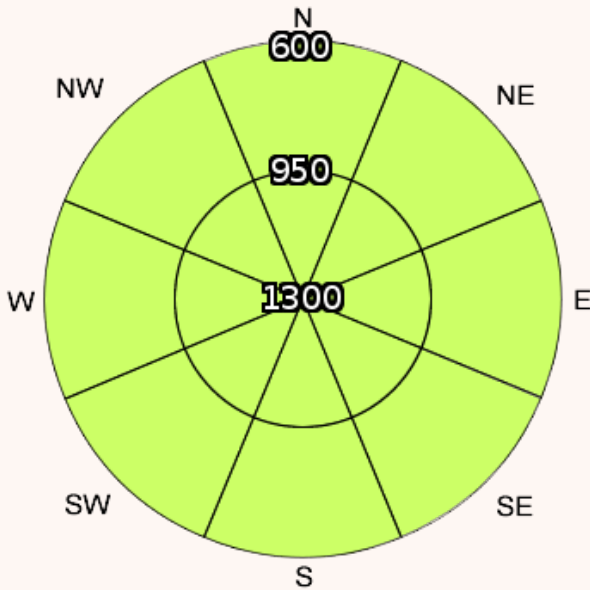


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Fri 17/02/2017 TO 18:00HRS Sat 18/02/2017



Hazard Level	Avalanche Probability
Very High	Widespread Natural and Human triggered avalanches will occur.
High	Natural and Human triggered avalanches will occur.
Considerable	Natural Avalanches possible. Human triggered avalanches are likely
Moderate	Natural Avalanches unlikely. Human triggered avalanches possible.
Low	Natural Avalanches very unlikely. Human triggered avalanches not likely.

Forecast Weather Influences

Light drizzle during the day, this will turn to light snowfall over the tops towards the end of the day as the freezing level falls to around summit levels. Winds will be Moderate to strong South to South-Westerly.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack will thaw at all altitudes but remain well bonded and stable throughout. Isolated pockets of windslab may form later in the day on North to East aspects above 1100 metres. Cornices which overhang most Northerly aspects will be a hazard and could potentially collapse. The avalanche hazard will be Low.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Fri 17/02/2017

Observed Weather Influences

A dry sunny day with light to moderate Southerly winds. The freezing level was just below the summits.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack is firm at higher altitudes and generally well bonded and stable throughout. Large unstable cornices overhang Northerly aspects. The avalanche hazard is Low

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Breakable crust in some areas, firm on shaded steep slopes. Good visibility, with patches of mist at plateau level. Winds approx 10 - 20 mph fresh, cooling.

Comments

Mild and damp with potential for rockfall and cornice collapse.