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Avalanche Hazard Forecast

Issued 16/01/2024

FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Tue 16/01/2024 TO 18:00HRS Wed 17/01/2024

THE AVALANCHE HAZARD WILL BE CONSIDERABLE

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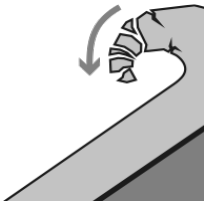
Avalanche Problems



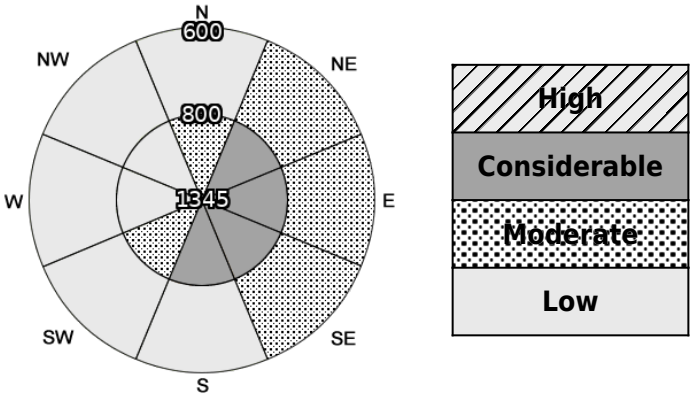
Wind Slab



Cornices

Forecast Snow Stability & Avalanche Hazard

A substantial amount of fresh snow has fallen throughout Tuesday afternoon. Wind re-distribution of this fresh snow will lead to poorly bonded windslab developing on North-East through East to South aspects throughout the period. Above 800 metres this windslab will gain significant depth in wind sheltered locations. Fresh unstable cornices will also form above these aspects. The older snowpack will remain firm and stable. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.



Forecast Weather Influences

Snow showers will fade out this evening. It will be largely dry overnight, with a few light snow showers during the day. Fresh winds will back from Northerly, through to South Westerly overnight, before then veering to North Westerly during the day. It will be below freezing at all levels

Comments

There was significant snowfall in the afternoon, on moderate to fresh North to North-Easterly winds. Although the amount was more than forecast, it was not entirely unexpected. The old snowpack remains icy and firm.

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