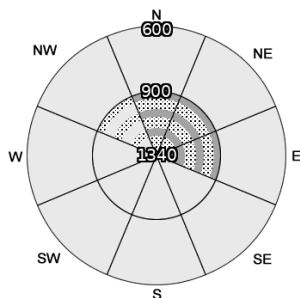


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 16/01/2010 TO 18:00HRS Sun 17/01/2010



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 are expected above 900 metres with a moderate South veering South-West wind.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Fresh areas of unstable windslab will form mainly on steep North through North-East to East aspects above 900 metres. Below 900 metres the snowpack will be wet and generally stable. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sat 16/01/2010

Observed Weather Influences

After a wet night, it was a relatively dry day with the freezing level at round 900m.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

A generally wet and stable snowpack is now present. Localised areas of fresh windslab has formed mainly on steep North-West through North to North-East aspects above 1000 metres. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

General cover above 700m, getting very patchy below this altitude.

Comments

Areas of water ice still present on paths at lower elevations.