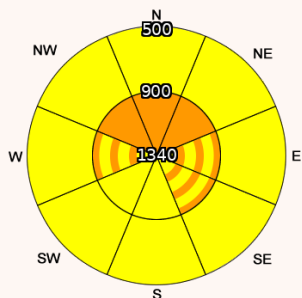


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Wed 03/02/2010 TO 18:00HRS Thu 04/02/2010



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

After some light to moderate snow during the night, it will be a dry day. Moderate winds will be from the South. The freezing level is expected to rise to about 700 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Fresh poorly bonded windslab will be deposited mainly on North-West to North-East aspects above 900 metres where avalanches are likely, especially on steep slopes and gullies. Wind redistribution of existing windslab onto these aspects will also occur. Areas of older, moderately bonded windslab will remain on some other aspects. Some large and potentially fragile cornices will remain. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Wed 03/02/2010

Observed Weather Influences

It was dry with Southerly winds strengthening through the day. It remained below freezing at all levels.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Large quantities of windslab exists on mainly North-East through East to South aspects above 900 metres. Although this is slowly consolidating, instabilities still exist within this windslab. During the afternoon the wind began to redeposit this windslab onto other aspects. The avalanche hazard is Considerable.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Good cover on the tops, light cover down to just above sea level.

Comments

Turning a bit milder on Thursday.