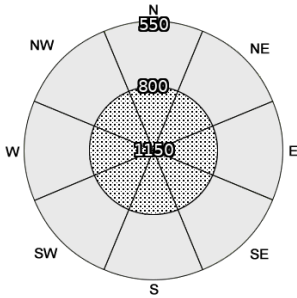


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 13/02/2010 TO 18:00HRS Sun 14/02/2010



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

Milder conditions will start to affect the area with strengthening South-Westerly winds. Freezing level will rise to around 1000 metres. Overnight light precipitation falling as snow at first turning to rain below 900 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

New accumulations of snow are not expected to be significant and only above 900 metres. The snowpack will slowly become moist at most levels. Some surface wet snow instabilities will exist on the steeper slopes on all aspects mainly above 800 metres. Cornices will also be unstable. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sat 13/02/2010

Observed Weather Influences

Overnight frost at lower levels, followed by a dry day with very light Northerly winds. It was also slightly milder with summit temperatures +0.7c.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Localised deposits of moderately bonded snow are present on some steep aspects mainly above 900 metres. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Main cover above 700 metres.

Comments

New snow amounts should be light with a dusting over the summits. At lower levels light drizzle and cloudy. Becoming colder again on Monday.