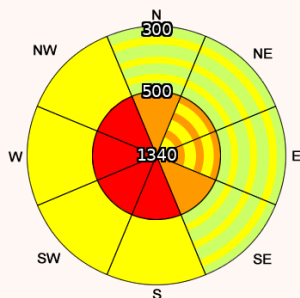


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sun 28/02/2010 TO 18:00HRS Mon 01/03/2010



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

It is expected to be dry overnight and during the day with a freezing level around 450 metres. The wind is expected to be moderate in strength and back Northerly overnight, North-Westerly during the day.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Existing poorly bonded windslab will remain in sheltered gullies and hollows and on mainly South through West to North-West aspects above around 500 metres, where avalanches will occur. There will be some redistribution of snow which will form unstable windslab on other aspects. Cornices will be unstable. The avalanche hazard will be High.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sun 28/02/2010

Observed Weather Influences

After a little overnight snowfall the day was dry with a freezing level around 400 metres. The wind was moderate to strong North-Easterly.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Drifting of snow has continued. Poorly bonded multi-layered windslab is present in sheltered gullies and hollows, on mainly South through West to North-West aspects above 500 metres. More isolated areas of poorly bonded windslab are also present on other aspects. In many, especially sheltered, areas this windslab overlies a weak and fragile layer, where it is particularly unstable. The avalanche hazard is High.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Snow at most levels. There are scoured areas on exposed windward ridges and slopes; deep drifts and deposits elsewhere.

Comments

Careful route choice is required.