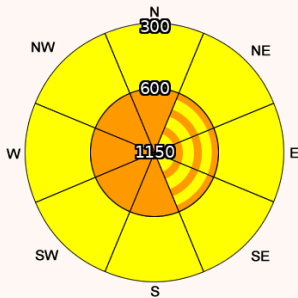


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Wed 03/03/2010 TO 18:00HRS Thu 04/03/2010



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 will remain cold with light snow showers for a time. Winds will be mainly Westerly strengthening through Thursday.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Deep unstable windslab will exist mainly above 600 metres on South through West to Northerly slopes. On other aspects sheltered areas such as gullies and hollows will be affected. Avalanches are likely where windslab exists. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Wed 03/03/2010

Observed Weather Influences

It has been cold and dry with light winds.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Deep unstable windslab exists in many sheltered gullies and hollows and on slopes with a South through West to Northerly aspect. The avalanche hazard is Considerable.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Snow above 200 metres, exposed ridges and many Easterly slopes are scoured.

Comments

Climbing conditions are improving but careful route choice and planning required. Cornices will be prone to collapse.