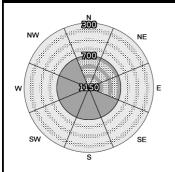
Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Thu 04/03/2010 TO 18:00HRS Fri 05/03/2010



| Hazard Level | Avalanche Probabilty |
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| 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

There will be new snow above 700 metres with rain and sleet below this level. Winds will be strong throughout the period from the North-North-West. The freezing level will be 900 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Strong winds will form unstable accumulations of windslab in many sheltered gullies and hollows and on slopes with an East through South to South-West aspect mainly above 700 metres. Existing weakly bonded deposits will remain on other Westerly aspects. Steep scarp slopes summit gulleys and corniced areas will be particularly affected. Avalanches and cornice collapse are likely. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Thu 04/03/2010

Observed Weather Influences

It has been dry and cool with light variable winds.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Deep unstable windslab exists in sheltered gullies and hollows and on slopes with a South through West to North-Westerly aspect mainly above 800 metres. The avalanche hazard is Considerable.

Mountain Conditions

| Observed Mountain Travel Conditions | Snow above 200 metres on Thursday but expected to rise overnight with rain/sleet at lower levels. |
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| Comments | Potential for weakly bonded windslab on a wide variety of aspects as strong winds re-distribute existing deposits. |