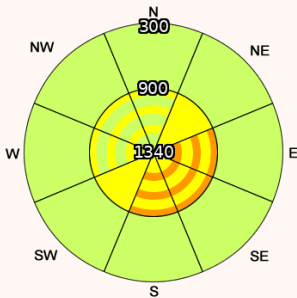


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 13/03/2010 TO 18:00HRS Sun 14/03/2010



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

Light snow showers overnight and during the morning will become more persistent in the afternoon. Moderate to strong winds will be from the North-West, and the freezing level will be around 900 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Fresh areas of poorly bonded windslab will be deposited mainly on East to South aspects above 900 metres. These areas are not expected to be extensive, and should generally be avoidable. A few minor instabilities will also exist on steep slopes on other aspects. Weak cornices will remain prone to collapse. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sat 13/03/2010

Observed Weather Influences

It was a cloudy day with some light drizzle. The freezing level was around the summits.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The large deposits of moderate and well bonded windslab which exists on many aspects above 900 metres were starting to become wet in the milder conditions. Minor instabilities exist on steep slopes on all aspects above 900 metres. Weak cornices were prone to collapse. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Good cover above 600m, thawing and getting patchy below this level.

Comments

Another cloudy, low visibility day expected on Sunday.