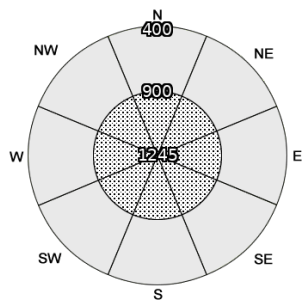


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Mon 15/03/2010 TO 18:00HRS Tue 16/03/2010



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

Overnight and during the day it will be dry with strong Westerly winds. In the daytime the freezing level will rise from 800 to 900 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack will continue to thaw and will become more moist at depth at all levels and aspects. Surface instabilities may occur on all steep aspects mainly above 900 metres. Cornices will be unstable. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Mon 15/03/2010

Observed Weather Influences

It has been a mild day with very strong West to West-North-Westerly winds and poor visibility in the morning. Precipitation fell as snow only on the highest summits. Freezing level around 1100 m.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack is becoming more saturated at all levels. New snow accumulations have formed windslab deposits in isolated areas and hollows on mainly East to Southerly aspects above 1000 metres, here the snow is moderately well bonded. Elsewhere the snowpack is generally stable. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions	Good snow cover but thawing especially below 900 m, deep moist snow gives difficult trail breaking
Comments	A mild windy spell of weather ahead.