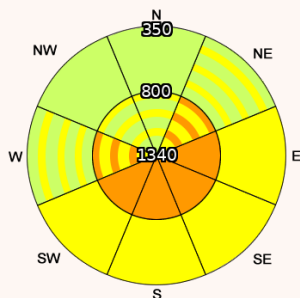


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sun 28/03/2010 TO 18:00HRS Mon 29/03/2010



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

Snow showers are expected to continue overnight and during the day, but becoming more isolated. The wind is expected to be Northerly overnight initially strong then decreasing to moderate and veering North-Easterly during the day. The freezing level is expected to be around 350 metres during the day.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Snow showers will continue to deposit windslab in sheltered areas and there will be some re-distribution of recent snow. Poorly bonded windslab will be present above 800 metres in sheltered gullies and hollows on mainly North-East through East and South to West aspects where avalanches are likely. Fresh cornices will be prone to collapse. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sun 28/03/2010

Observed Weather Influences

Showers continued through the day which fell as snow mainly above 600 metres, The wind was moderate to strong Westerly veering Northerly. The freezing level dropped to around 800 metres.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Fresh poorly bonded windslab is present in sheltered locations. Greatest accumulations are on North-East through East and South to South-West aspects above 900 metres. The old snowpack is re-freezing. Fresh cornices are unstable. The avalanche hazard is Considerable.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Fresh snow lying above around 600 metres.

Comments

A colder day is in prospect tomorrow.