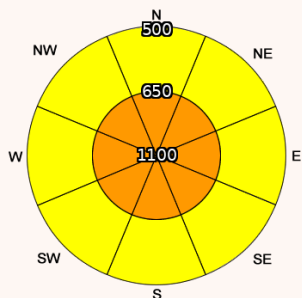


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Thu 01/04/2010 TO 18:00HRS Fri 02/04/2010



| Hazard Level | Avalanche Probability |
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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

It is to be a clear night with little snowfall. However, wind will continue to be fresh and will back to South-West overnight and to South during the day. The freezing level will be 450 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Drifting snow will continue overnight. Avalanches are likely mainly on North through East to Southerly aspects, especially in areas of steep terrain above 650 metres. Unstable windslab will also remain present on all other aspects. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Thu 01/04/2010

Observed Weather Influences

It has been a bright day with summits free of cloud for most of the day. A fresh North-West wind is moving large amounts of snow around especially at elevations above 650 metres. The freezing level was at 600 metres.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

There has been heavy drifting of snow with new accumulations of weakly bonded windslab on aspects from North through East to South-East, at elevations above 650 metres. Tests on a slope of an East-South-East aspect resulted in multiple easy releases within the new windslab. The avalanche hazard is Considerable.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

A great deal of drifting snow at levels above 650 metres.

Comments

Still a lot of drifting snow although the winds are beginning to ease a little.