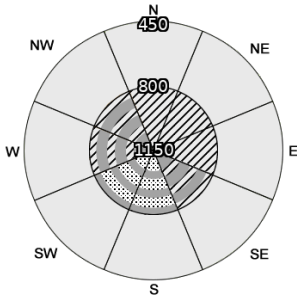


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sun 04/04/2010 TO 18:00HRS Mon 05/04/2010



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

Precipitation will fall as new snow overnight and early on Monday before turning to heavy rain at all levels as freezing levels rise to 2000 metres. Winds will initially be fresh strengthening to severe gale through the course of the period from a South-Southwesterly direction.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Mild and wet conditions will form unstable wet snow accumulations in all sheltered gullies and on steep scarp slopes of many aspects. Avalanches and cornice collapse will occur wherever a significant depth of wet snow exists. The avalanche hazard will be High.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sun 04/04/2010

Observed Weather Influences

New snow overnight and earlier this morning gave way to a bright and sunny afternoon. Winds have been moderate today mainly from a Westerly direction. The freezing level is around 900 metres.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Areas of windslab exist in the most sheltered of gullies and hollows and steep East to Southerly facing scarp slopes mainly above 900 metres. The avalanche hazard is Considerable. Corniced triggered debris noted below Easterly aspects from 1000 metres.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Snow mainly above 600 metres.

Comments

Poor outlook for Easter Monday mild very wet and windy. Additional hazard of rockfall as heavy thaw affects the area.