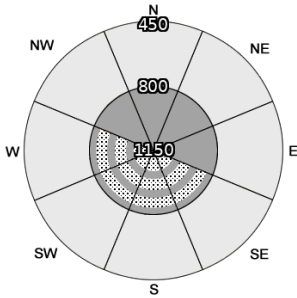


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Mon 05/04/2010 TO 18:00HRS Tue 06/04/2010



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 heavy rain and sleet overnight turning to snow at higher levels on Tuesday. Winds will be storm force overnight becoming gale force through the day from a South-South-Westerly direction.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Wet snow instabilities will exist on many steep slopes and gullies earlier in the day. Cooler conditions later with new snow and the strong South-South-Westerly winds will form unstable accumulations of windslab in the most sheltered of summit gullies and hollows of many aspects and on steep scarp slopes with a mainly North-West through North to Easterly aspect above 900 metres. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Mon 05/04/2010

Observed Weather Influences

Very wet and mild conditions affected the area earlier today. Winds have generally been strong to gale force from a Southerly direction.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Wet snow instabilities exist in many sheltered gullies and on steep scarp slopes. The avalanche hazard is Considerable. Any large cornices are prone to collapse.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Patchy at lower levels main cover above 800 metres

Comments

Becoming less mild through the course of Tuesday.