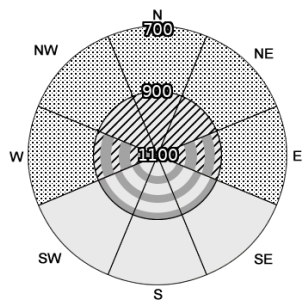


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Tue 22/02/2011 TO 18:00HRS Wed 23/02/2011



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

Heavy rain is forecast at all levels overnight and during the day. The milder conditions will be accompanied by strong mostly Southerly winds.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

With the mild conditions and the onset of rain a period of poor stability will ensue. Avalanches will occur on steep North-West through North to North East aspects above 950m. All recent cornices will become fragile and liable to collapse. The avalanche hazard will be High

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Tue 22/02/2011

Observed Weather Influences

It has been a mostly overcast day with a few very light snow flurries on light Southerly winds.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack is generally well bonded and stable. Isolated pockets of less stable windslab are limited to the top of very steep North West through North to North East aspects above 950m. The avalanche hazard is Moderate

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Good above 800m on Tues - about to change!

Comments

Period of high instability with the onset of heavy rain. Any large cornices not good -if you don't know what's above you don't go there!