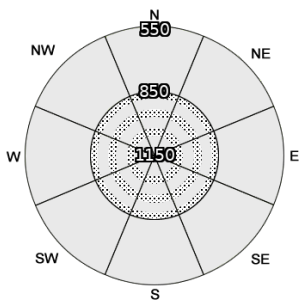


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Thu 24/03/2011 TO 18:00HRS Fri 25/03/2011



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

A ridge of high pressure will maintain dry weather with light North-West winds and slightly cooler temperatures.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

There will be surface loose snow instabilities particularly on steep ground on all sun exposed slopes above 850 metres. Cornices on all aspects will be prone to collapse. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Thu 24/03/2011

Observed Weather Influences

There was slight cooling overnight with daytime maximum temperatures not quite so high as previous days. Winds from the West eased and the skies were clear.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

A surface crust formed overnight and on North aspects above 800 metres remained firm through the day. Small chunks of cornice debris were observed on a North aspect at 1100 metres. Stability is generally good with South aspect steep ground surface loose snow instability above 800 metres. The avalanche hazard is Moderate

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Graded snow gullies still well formed.

Comments

Plateau looks good from various directions.