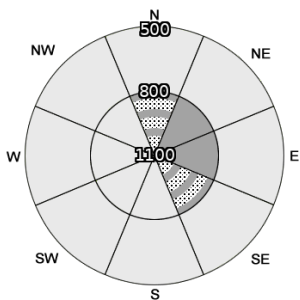


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sun 11/01/2015 TO 18:00HRS Mon 12/01/2015



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 mild airflow will bring snow showers overnight above 800m before freezing levels then lower again to around 400m by mid morning, accompanied by further showers. Winds will be strong South-West, later West-South-West.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Stability of older snow deposits will improve with the lowering of temperatures overnight as the existing snowpack re-freezes. Accumulations of new poorly bonded windslab will continue to develop on steep and sheltered North-East to South-East-facing slopes and gullies, primarily above 800m with some cross loading of other aspects in steep sheltered gully flanks and lee locations. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sun 11/01/2015

Observed Weather Influences

Snow showers overnight brought a covering of snow to all levels. This was followed by a rising freezing level and rain to 800m. Winds have been strong West-South- Westerly.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

New snow deposits below 800m have consolidated rapidly with the temperature transitions and although wet these accumulations are now generally stable. Above this wet snow instabilities persist with areas of marginally stabilised windslab development on North- East through East to South-East aspects. Cornices remain weak and prone to collapse. The avalanche hazard is Considerable

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions	Wet snow. No visibility throughout the day above 600 metres. Winds approx 40 - 50 mph making progress very difficult and strenuous.
Comments	Poor opportunity for mountain observations on Sun with wet windy conditions at all levels.