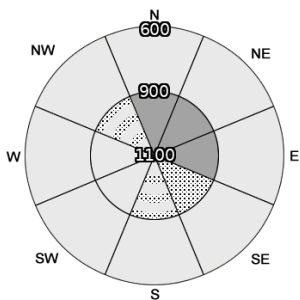


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Tue 17/02/2015 TO 18:00HRS Wed 18/02/2015



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

Snow showers turning to rain at all levels overnight as freezing levels rise to well above summits. Very strong South-Westerly winds.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Stability will deteriorate overnight as snow turns to rain at all levels. On steepest convex North to East facing aspects above 900m, where most recent accumulations have developed wet snow avalanches are likely. At lower elevations old full depth glide cracks will continue to widen on selected East to South East aspects above 750m. Cornices will be prone to slumping and collapse. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Tue 17/02/2015

Observed Weather Influences

Showers brought snow to around summits overnight with a then persistent drizzle and light rain below 800m during the day, these were accompanied by strong mostly South Westerly winds.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Some new snow instabilities with drifted snow exists in lee locations around coire rims and in sheltered North to East facing gully exits above 900m. At lower elevations fluctuating temperatures with cooler overnight conditions have brought some improved consolidation to the snowpack. The avalanche hazard is Considerable

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions	Diminishing snowpack, good above 800 metres Cloud base was at 800 metres all day. Winds 20 -30 mph progress difficult at times with stronger gusts
Comments	A poor mountain day in prospect with rain and strong winds at all levels