Northern Cairngorms

Avalanche Hazard Forecast

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FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Wed 24/02/2016 TO 18:00HRS Thu 25/02/2016

THE AVALANCHE HAZARD WILL BE CONSIDERABLE

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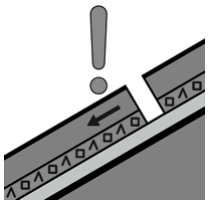
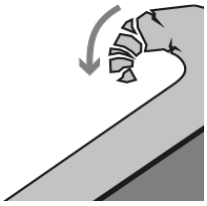
Avalanche Problems

Wind Slab



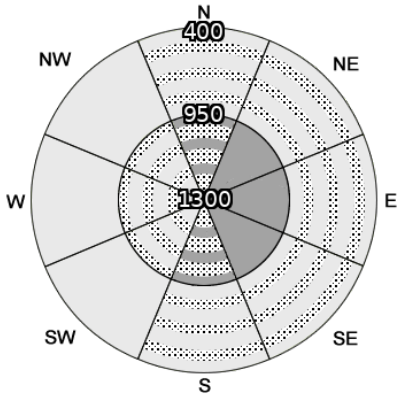
Persistent Weak Layers



Cornices

Forecast Snow Stability & Avalanche Hazard

Widespread instabilities will persist in the snowpack with unstable windslab on mainly North-East to South Easterly aspects above 950 metres, with steep and convex terrain especially affected. Additional windslab will also form on these aspects. Some localised weak accumulations are present high on North and South aspects due to cross loading. Many areas are wind scoured bare ground or stable snow-ice. Large weak cornices overhang Easterly aspects. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable



Forecast Weather Influences

Fresh North-Westerly winds overnight with some light snow showers at all levels. Dry in the day, with poor visibility on the tops. Freezing level around 200 metres with expected temperatures of minus 9 degrees C at summit levels in the morning.

Comments

Another cold day in prospect. Soft weak layers persist at depth under the firm windslab.

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