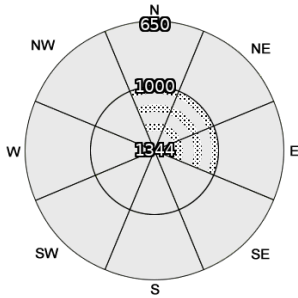


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Thu 24/03/2016 TO 18:00HRS Fri 25/03/2016



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

The freezing level will be around 800m for much of the day, rising to summit levels later in the forecast period . Some light precipitation is expected. Winds will generally be from a South-Westerly direction, increasing in strength during the day.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The existing snowpack will be well bonded and stable. Localised areas of fresh windslab will develop mainly on steep North, North-East and East aspects above 1000m. Accumulations will generally be restricted to scarp slopes and gully exits. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Thu 24/03/2016

Observed Weather Influences

Some fresh snowfall overnight above 650m with the freezing level rising above the summits during the day. Moderate to strong South-West winds.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The old snowpack is well bonded and generally stable. Localised instabilities are present on steep North, North-East and East aspects due to fresh snow, but these have reduced during the day as the temperatures have risen. The avalanche hazard is Moderate

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Freezing level rising during the day. Poor visibility over the summits

Comments