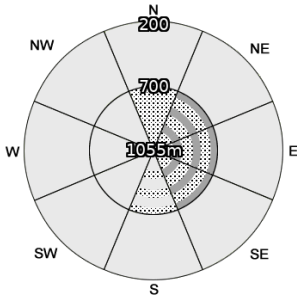


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sun 11/02/2018 TO 18:00HRS Mon 12/02/2018



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

Strong Westerly winds backing South-Westerly by tomorrow morning and increasing to Gale force by the end of the day. This will be accompanied by frequent showers falling as snow to all levels with the freezing level gradually rising during tomorrow to around 200 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Localised areas of windslab will continue to develop adding to the existing weakly bonded snowpack. Most affected will be steep, sheltered locations on North-East to South-East aspects above 700 metres. Other aspects will be affected by cross-loading. Cornices will continue to build above these aspects and remain fragile. Good stability on wind scoured slopes and ridges. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sun 11/02/2018

Observed Weather Influences

Strong to Gale force Westerly winds accompanied by frequent snow showers to all levels sometimes merging into longer periods of snow. Freezing level around 100 metres.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Localised areas of windslab continue to develop in steep sheltered locations on North-East to South-East aspects above 700 metres. Other aspects are affected by cross-loading. Cornices continue to build above these aspects. Exposed slopes and summits are firm and icy. The avalanche hazard is Considerable.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Blizzard and whiteout conditions presenting challenging and serious conditions Winds 20 -30 mph progress difficult at times with stronger gusts Very hard snow ice on exposed windward slopes.

Comments

Blizzard conditions from time to time even at lower levels resulting in more snow accumulation on the hills.