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Avalanche Hazard Forecast

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FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Mon 12/02/2018 TO 18:00HRS Tue 13/02/2018

THE AVALANCHE HAZARD WILL BE CONSIDERABLE

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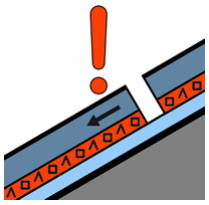
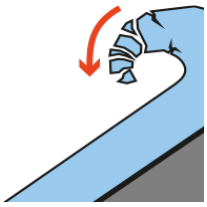
Avalanche Problems

Wind Slab



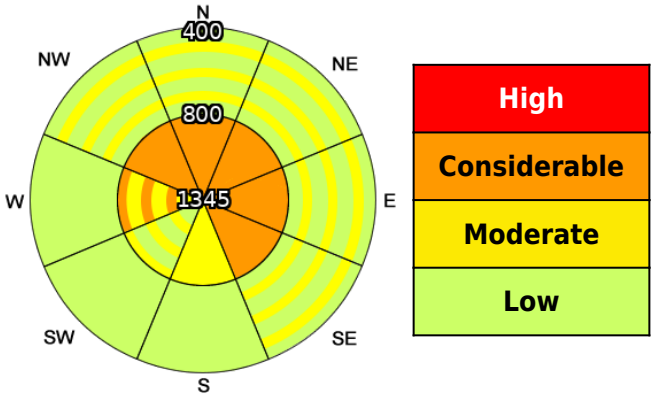
Persistent Weak Layers



Cornices

Forecast Snow Stability & Avalanche Hazard

Redistribution of existing snow and then persistent snowfall will deposit fresh unstable windslab in wind sheltered areas. This will add to existing deep unstable windslab deposits. Greatest accumulations will be on North-West through North and East to South-East aspects above 800 metres where avalanches are likely. Cornices over these aspects will be fragile and prone to spontaneous collapse. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.



Forecast Weather Influences

Overnight winds will be very strong mainly South-South-Easterly, easing from just before dawn to moderate and veering North-Westerly, then backing South-Westerly during the afternoon. A period of persistent snowfall is expected from midnight through the morning, initially above 400 metres, later at most levels, The freezing level will be around 500 metres overnight, dropping to 300 metres.

Comments

The distinctly wintry weather conditions continue, with very careful route choice required.

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