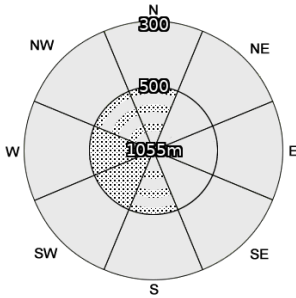


**Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Tue 06/03/2018 TO 18:00HRS Wed 07/03/2018**



Hazard Level	Avalanche Probability
<b>Very High</b>	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. Numerous very large, often extremely large natural avalanches can be expected.
<b>High</b>	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. In some cases, numerous large, often very large sized natural avalanches can be expected.
<b>Considerable</b>	Natural and human triggered avalanches possible, in some cases large, in isolated cases very large sized natural avalanches are possible.
<b>Moderate</b>	Very large sized natural avalanches are unlikely. Human triggering possible in indicated steep places.
<b>Low</b>	Only small and medium sized natural avalanches are possible. Human triggering possible in steep, extreme terrain.

**Forecast Weather Influences**

The rain, sleet and snow will peter out overnight giving a generally dry and cloudy day, with a chance of a light shower later and the odd bright spell. The strong Easterly wind will gradually ease overnight becoming light by daybreak and the freezing level will rise to around 600 metres by the end of the period.

**Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

Areas of moderately bonded windslab will continue to build overnight and persist through the day. Steep wind sheltered locations will be most affected, mainly South-West to North-West aspects above 500 metres, in particular, gullies, scarp slopes and coire rims. Other aspects will be affected due to cross loading. Fragile cornices will remain above steep lee slopes. The older snowpack will be firm, stable and icy in places. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

**Observed Avalanche Hazard - Tue 06/03/2018**

**Observed Weather Influences**

Persistent rain, sleet and snow throughout the day, with snow lying above 300 metres, feeding in on a fresh to strong Easterly wind. Poor visibility in the cloud above 600 metres and the freezing level remained around 400 metres.

**Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

There is a general covering of fresh snow above 300 metres. Localised accumulations of moderately bonded windslab continues to build in wind sheltered locations, mainly on steep slopes, South-West to North-West aspects above 500 metres. Other aspects are affected due to cross loading and fragile cornices are building above steep lee slopes. The older snowpack remains firm and stable throughout. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

**Mountain Conditions**

**Observed Mountain Travel Conditions**

Some very hard snow ice on exposed windward slopes. Poor visibility throughout the day above 600 metres. Winds approximately 10-20mph fresh and cooling.

**Comments**

Although there is a covering of fresh snow, walking conditions remain good, but with some deeper drifts in lee locations at higher levels.