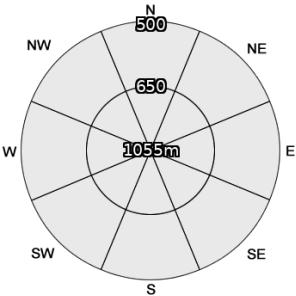


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Wed 14/03/2018 TO 18:00HRS Thu 15/03/2018



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

A mainly dry, cloudy and windy day is forecast, with a gusty and gale force East-South-East wind persisting throughout the period. Although the main freezing level will be above the summits, it will remain cold with below freezing air temperatures around the tops.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Little change is expected. The snowpack will continue to consolidate and is generally well bonded and stable throughout. A good and firm snow cover exists above 600 metres. There will be a slow thaw, particularly at lower elevations. The avalanche hazard will be Low.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Wed 14/03/2018

Observed Weather Influences

A generally dry, bright and windy day, with high cloud cover and some sunny spells. A steady and strong East-South-East wind persisted throughout the day. Becoming milder as the freezing level climbed to around 900 metres by the afternoon.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack continues to consolidate and has good stability on all aspects and at all elevations. There is a slow thaw developing at all levels, but the general snowpack remains firm. Some large cornices persisting above steep slopes, mainly North to East aspects. The avalanche hazard is Low.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions	Mostly firm snow - some breakable crust at lower elevations. Good visibility. Winds approximately 10-20 mph fresh and cooling, stronger at summit level.
Comments	Strong winds are forecast for the following 48 hours.