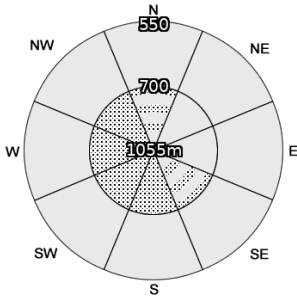


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Thu 05/04/2018 TO 18:00HRS Fri 06/04/2018



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 period of light snow overnight then becoming mild with light rain through the day, at all levels by the end of the period as the freezing level rises above the summits. A light East-South-East wind will strengthen overnight, becoming strong to gale force during the day.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

As temperatures rise throughout the day and snowfall progressively turns to rain, instabilities will develop in existing areas of windslab, and in accumulations of fresh windslab. Most affected will be steep slopes, mainly South-East through South-West to North aspects above 700 metres. The general snowpack will soften particularly at lower elevations. Cornices will become unstable. Falling ice presents a hazard. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Thu 05/04/2018

Observed Weather Influences

A fine dry day, partly cloudy with good sunny periods. Remaining cold at higher elevations as freezing above 600 metres in the afternoon and a light to moderate North-Westerly wind.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

A dusting of fresh snow to low levels overnight. Areas of moderately bonded windslab persist at higher elevations, although generally shallow and localised. Most affected are steep slopes, South-East through South-West to North aspects above 700 metres. Existing cornices above steep slopes, mainly South to West aspects becoming unstable. Falling ice presents a hazard. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Snowpack remaining good above 650 metres. Good visibility between the patchy cloud. Winds at higher elevations approximately 10-20mph fresh and cooling.

Comments

A mild and damp day forecast and continuing milder thereafter.