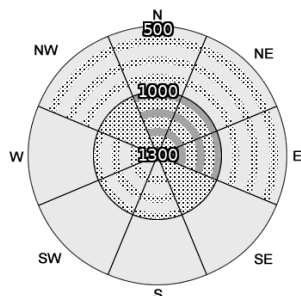


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 02/02/2019 TO 18:00HRS Sun 03/02/2019



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

Dry through the night with moderate West-South-West to South-South-Westerly winds. Light Snow fall for most of the day on moderate to strong South veering South-Westerly winds. The 300 metre freezing level will rise to 600 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Poorly bonded windslab will develop on North to East aspects above 1000 metres especially around corrie rims gully exits and scarp slopes. More localised windslab will also develop on these aspects. Localised windslab will accumulate on steep sheltered banks below 1000 metres. Instabilities on other aspects due to cross loading. Areas of moderately bonded snow will persist on steep convex Southerly facing slopes. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sat 02/02/2019

Observed Weather Influences

A cold dry day with moderate North-Westerly winds. It was freezing at all levels.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Several centimetres of soft snow is lying at all levels. Widespread accumulations of windslab have developed mostly on East to South aspects above 900 metres. In areas of steep and convex terrain the snowpack is moderate to weakly bonded. Cornices are fragile in these areas. More localised windslab is lying on North-East and South-West aspects due to cross loading. On West to North aspects pockets of instability were observed on steep terrain features. The avalanche hazard is Considerable.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Deep soft snow at all altitudes - very hard going on foot. Knee deep drifts. Poor visibility through the morning, sunny with good visibility by mid afternoon. Winds 20 -30 mph above 1000 metres.

Comments

Winds increasing during the morning.