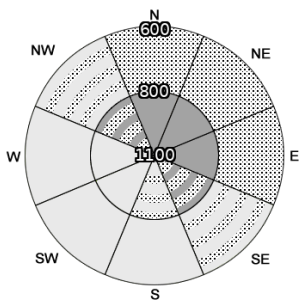


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Fri 08/02/2019 TO 18:00HRS Sat 09/02/2019



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

Winds will remain very strong; South-South-Westerly during the evening, veering Westerly overnight. Snow is expected throughout the period above around 700 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Fresh unstable windslab will continue to be build in wind sheltered areas. Greatest accumulations will be above 800 metres, initially on North-West through North to East aspects and then increasingly on South-East aspects, with South also affected by cross loading. Cornices will be fragile. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Fri 08/02/2019

Observed Weather Influences

After overnight snow above around 700 metres the freezing level rose above the summits during the morning and rain fell at all levels. At higher levels precipitation then turned back to snow during the afternoon. Winds were strong generally South-South-Westerly.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Unstable windslab was deposited in sheltered areas, mainly on North-West through North to East aspects above 800 metres, later this underwent a period of increased instability as snow turned to rain at all levels with avalanche debris noted on N, NE and E aspects. Additional fresh windslab deposited during the afternoon, mainly on higher North-West through North to East aspects. Cornices are unstable. The avalanche hazard is Considerable

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions	Wet snowpack. Cloud base was around 700 metres for much of the day. Winds approx 40 - 50 mph, with stronger gusts, making progress difficult and strenuous.
Comments	Deep accumulations of fresh windslab are likely in sheltered locations.