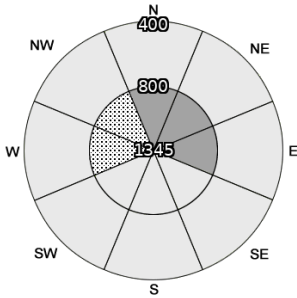


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Tue 17/12/2019 TO 18:00HRS Wed 18/12/2019



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

Moderate South-Westerly winds back South-Easterly by dawn and become strong in the afternoon. It will be mainly dry with the freezing level around 700 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Instabilities will persist in the older snowpack mainly on North-West through North to East aspects above 800 metres. During the period, particularly in the afternoon, wind redistribution will lead to fresh unstable windslab developing mainly on West to North aspects above 800 metres. Cornices will be soft and fragile. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Tue 17/12/2019

Observed Weather Influences

It was a dry, cloudy day with light winds. The freezing level was around 650 metres.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Instabilities persist in the older snowpack, mainly on North-West through North to East aspects above 800 metres. On all aspects above around 400 metres there is a surface layer of soft unconsolidated snow which is generally stable. Soft, fragile cornices are present mainly above steep North to East aspects. The avalanche hazard is Considerable.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Fresh snow above 500 metres on all aspects - very hard going on foot. Poor visibility throughout the day above 800 metres. Winds approx 10mph.

Comments

Warmer conditions due to arrive on Wednesday night.