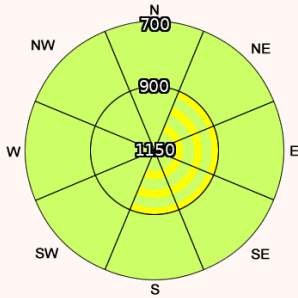


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Thu 02/01/2020 TO 18:00HRS Fri 03/01/2020



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

Strong South-West winds veer North-West during the evening and then back Westerly by dawn. Initial rain will turn to snow as the temperature drops quickly in the evening. There will then be a dry period during the night followed by showers during the day falling as snow above around 600 metres. The freezing level will drop from above the summits initially to 500 metres during the night and then slowly rise to around 900 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The existing snowpack will freeze hard in the colder temperatures and be stable. Fresh unstable windslab will develop mainly on North-East through East to South aspects above 900 metres. Accumulations will be localised and mainly found in gullies and around corrie rims. Fragile cornices will form above these aspects. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Thu 02/01/2020

Observed Weather Influences

It was a wet day with strong South-South-Westerly winds. The freezing level was above the summits.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The patchy snowpack is thawing and is generally stable. The avalanche hazard is Low.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Wet patchy snowpack. Cloud base around 700 metres with heavy rain. Winds approx 40 - 50 mph making progress difficult and strenuous.

Comments

Remaining windy with showers for the weekend. The freezing level should mostly be just above the summits.