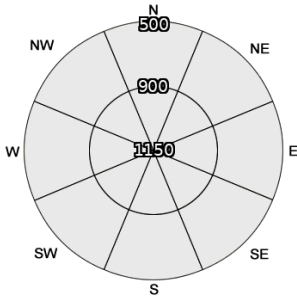


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Tue 04/02/2020 TO 18:00HRS Wed 05/02/2020



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

The freezing level will rise above the summits early in the morning. A ridge of high pressure will maintain a brisk Westerly flow with generally dry, settled conditions. Winds will be fresh to strong from a West-South-Westerly direction.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Localised pockets of poorly bonded windslab will persist mainly on North to East aspects above 900 metres. Wind sheltered steep locations such as coire rims, gully exits and ridge flanks above 900 metres will be most affected. Cornices above similar aspects are fragile. The avalanche hazard will be Low.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Tue 04/02/2020

Observed Weather Influences

It was dry, fine and bright with light North-Westerly winds, the freezing level was around 950 metres.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

A thaw freeze cycle has helped to partially consolidated the snowpack. Localised pockets of poorly bonded windslab still exist mainly on North to East aspects above 900 metres. Wind sheltered steep locations such as coire rims, gully exits and ridge flanks above 900 metres are particularly affected. The avalanche hazard is Low.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

The morning was fine and bright with good visibility this deteriorated slightly in the afternoon. Very light North-Westerly winds. Snow cover starts at around 450 metres but is generally quite thin, better cover above 700 metres which is firm in places.

Comments

Outlook for the next 48 hrs
 Outlook: Little change with a ridge of high pressure continuing maintaining the relatively settled weather. Freezing level lowering late Thursday, before lifting again Friday.