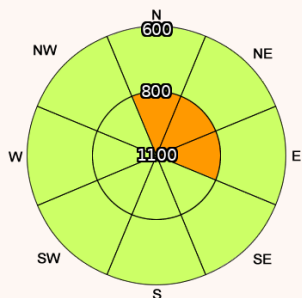


## Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Thu 13/02/2020 TO 18:00HRS Fri 14/02/2020



Hazard Level	Avalanche Probability
<b>Very High</b>	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. Numerous very large, often extremely large natural avalanches can be expected.
<b>High</b>	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. In some cases, numerous large, often very large sized natural avalanches can be expected.
<b>Considerable</b>	Natural and human triggered avalanches possible, in some cases large, in isolated cases very large sized natural avalanches are possible.
<b>Moderate</b>	Very large sized natural avalanches are unlikely. Human triggering possible in indicated steep places.
<b>Low</b>	Only small and medium sized natural avalanches are possible. Human triggering possible in steep, extreme terrain.

### Forecast Weather Influences

Cool and dry overnight before the arrival of an active front; bringing snow then rain above 800 metres. The Freezing level will spike to around summit levels briefly around midday, with further wintry showers then to 500 metres. With the arrival of the front at first light the winds will strengthen very strong, initially South-South-Easterly, South then South-West.

### Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Some new unstable windslab will develop where any fresh accumulations achieve depth; these primarily on North, through North-East to Easterly aspects, above 800 metres. A period of poorest stability will accompany the arrival of rain around midday, when avalanches are likely. Some small single point release wet snow activity is also expected. Better stability on all old accumulations and on wind scoured slopes and ridges. Cornices will be fragile. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

## Observed Avalanche Hazard - Thu 13/02/2020

### Observed Weather Influences

It has been a fine, dry and cool day. The winds have been light variable.

### Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Recent accumulations continue to consolidate and stability is improving. Pockets of less well bonded windslab still exist in deepest accumulations on steep, primarily very sheltered N to E aspects above 850m. Cornices around most Coire rims are modest by normal standards. Wind exposed areas are scoured. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

### Mountain Conditions

#### Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Deep snow at all altitudes - very hard going on foot. Knee deep at 600m! Cold clear conditions. Winds approx 10 - 20 mph fresh, cooling.

#### Comments

Poor mountain conditions in prospect for Friday.