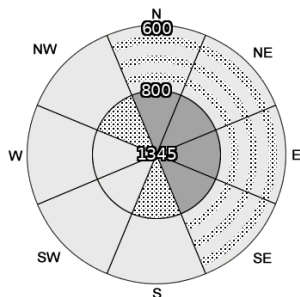


**Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Thu 13/02/2020 TO 18:00HRS Fri 14/02/2020**



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**

South-Easterly winds will strengthen and veer to the South-West through the day. Through the morning the freezing level will rise, briefly reaching 1300 metres, before dropping through the afternoon. Moderate snow during the day will turn to rain at all but the higher levels, and then back to snow in the afternoon.

**Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

The existing windslab, augmented by any fresh deposits, will decrease in stability as it turns milder and the snowpack becomes wet. Avalanches are likely on sheltered slopes and gullies on North through East to South-East aspects above 800 metres. Cornices will be prone to collapse. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

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

**Observed Weather Influences**

It was a cold day with the freezing level being around 400 metres. Winds were light and variable.

**Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

The recent storms have deposited significant areas of hard windslab on mainly sheltered North through East to South-East aspects above 800 metres. Although slowly consolidating, some instabilities remain. Recent avalanche activity was noted on an Easterly aspect at around 1100 metres. The avalanche hazard is Considerable.

**Mountain Conditions**

**Observed Mountain Travel Conditions**

Snow cover improving, scoured and icy in exposed locations. Clear during the afternoon. Winds approx 10mph or less.

**Comments**

Stormy conditions expected to continue through the weekend.