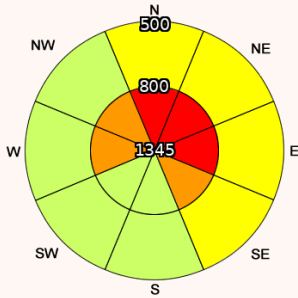


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Thu 27/02/2020 TO 18:00HRS Fri 28/02/2020



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

Snow showers will continue above 400m through out the period. Moderate to Strong summit winds will start from the South-West and gradually back to an Easterly direction by Friday evening

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The changing wind direction will start to redistribute some of the existing windslab onto other aspects. New snow instabilities will also develop. Unstable snow will initially be on North, North-East and East aspects but will form on West and North-West aspects above 800m during Friday. Avalanches will occur in these locations. Exposed old snow will be frozen and stable. Some erosion will occur on South-East aspects later on Friday. The avalanche hazard will be High

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Thu 27/02/2020

Observed Weather Influences

Continuing moderate WSW winds over the summits with snow showers above 200m.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Large areas of unstable windslab are present on slopes sheltered from the mainly Westerly winds. Greatest accumulations are on North-East, East and South-East aspects above 800m. Avalanche activity noted on several Easterly aspects at 1000m. Other sheltered locations are also affected, notably North aspects. Fragile cornices are present above these locations. The avalanche hazard is High.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Moderate to strong summit winds with generally poor visibility above 850m. Some deep snow underfoot at times

Comments

Unstable snow forming on many aspects during the period