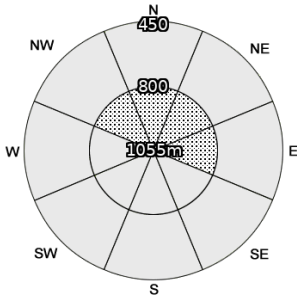


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Tue 03/03/2020 TO 18:00HRS Wed 04/03/2020



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

Fresh to strong Westerly winds overnight will ease and back generally South-South-West, moderate to fresh through the day. Scattered light showers are expected throughout the period, wintry at higher elevations. Remaining cold on the summits as the freezing level fluctuates between 400 and 550 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack will continue to consolidate at lower to mid elevations. Localised instabilities will persist in areas of existing windslab above 800 metres, mainly steep North-West, through North to East aspects, where gully exits, scarp slopes, and steep summit slopes will remain affected. Shallow pockets of fresh winslab will form in similar locations but will generally be avoidable. Cornices will remain fragile. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Tue 03/03/2020

Observed Weather Influences

A largely fine and dry morning with plenty of sun, but scattered showers through the afternoon, wintry on the summits. Light to moderate generally South-Westerly wind. The freezing level hovered around 700 metres.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack is generally well consolidated at lower to mid elevations. Instabilities persist in localised areas of existing windslab mainly above 800 metres, on steep North to East aspects where gullies, scarp slopes and summit slopes are mostly affected. Pockets of fresh windslab are forming in similar locations. Fragile cornices persist at higher elevations. Some scoured slopes are icy. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Breakable crust at most levels, tiring conditions at lower levels, but good walking elsewhere. Good visibility generally, summit cloud in the showers. Winds approximately 10 - 20 mph fresh and cooling.

Comments

Breakable crust will persist, but good walking conditions generally. Some scoured areas will be icy. Generally settled weather set to continue.