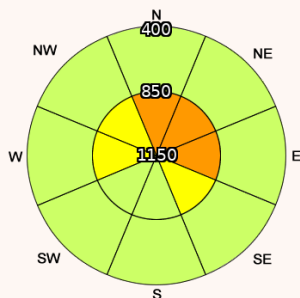


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Thu 05/03/2020 TO 18:00HRS Fri 06/03/2020



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

Dry, cold conditions overnight will a frost developing in the glens. Light South-Easterly winds in the morning these strengthening and veering through the day becoming South-Westerly. Light snow showers in the afternoon above 500 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Again, little change is expected to the snowpack, new snow accumulations are not expected to be significant. Localised areas of unstable windslab will persist, mainly at the tops of steep North, North-East and Easterly aspects above 850 metres. Large areas of moderately bonded snow will continue to be present on similar aspects. Old snow once exposed to the strong winds will be frozen and stable. Cornices remain fragile and unstable. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Thu 05/03/2020

Observed Weather Influences

A calm and dry day, winds were light from the South-Westerly direction. The freezing level was around 700 metres.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Little change to the snowpack, localised areas of unstable windslab still exist, mainly at the tops of steep North, North-East and East facing slopes and gullies above 850 metres. In other locations, areas of moderately bonded snow are also present. Cornices remain unstable. Avalanche activity noted today on a North-Easterly aspect. The avalanche hazard is Considerable.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Snow cover generally above 400 metres with deeper deposits above 550m, drifts and deep accumulations at higher elevations. Visibility was generally good. Light South-Westerly winds approx 5-15 mph.

Comments

Outlook; Snow showers starting late afternoon/evening on Friday. A mild period with rising freezing levels, rain at all levels and strong/gale force south-Westerlies during Saturday. Colder Sunday.