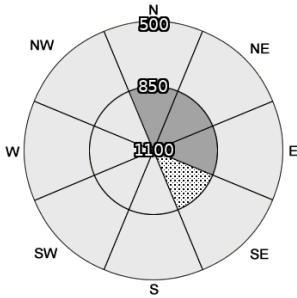


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Wed 11/03/2020 TO 18:00HRS Thu 12/03/2020



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

Cooler with further snow showers throughout the forecast period. The Freezing level will remain around 400 metres rising slightly, to around 700 metres at the end of the day. A strong South Westerly airflow persists throughout, veering and easing North-Westerly towards the end of period.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

At lower elevations all existing accumulations will remain well consolidated and stable. Above 850 metres areas of new marginally stabilised windslab will continue to develop overnight and during the day; primarily on very steep and wind sheltered North to East aspects. New cornice growth is also expected to develop above these aspects. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Wed 11/03/2020

Observed Weather Influences

Another showery day with precipitation falling variously as rain, sleet and snow; cooler later in the day with snow to 400 metres. The winds have been strong West South Westerly.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Consolidated soft wet snow exists below 800 metres, this is becoming firmer now at higher elevations with scouring affecting all wind exposed locations. On North to Easterly aspects, in steepest sheltered lee locations above 850 metres some new areas of moderately bonded windslab have begun to develop; particularly above 900 metres and just below coire rims and old existing cornice lines. The avalanche hazard is Moderate

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Soft wet snow cover at lower levels - some exposed ridges scoured Poor visibility in showers throughout the day above 600 metres. Winds approx 40 - 50 mph making progress very difficult and strenuous in summits areas

Comments

Wintry conditions persist.