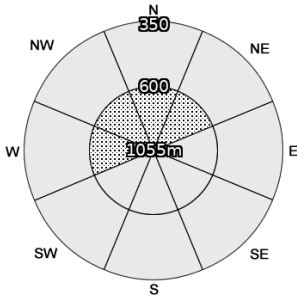


**Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Fri 13/03/2020 TO 18:00HRS Sat 14/03/2020**



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**

Overnight snow will ease into showers through the day, wintry above 700 metres. The fresh to strong South-East wind will veer generally Southerly by daybreak and the freezing level is expected to rise from an overnight low of 400 metres to 800 metres through the day.

**Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

Areas of fresh, moderately bonded windslab will continue to accumulate in steep sheltered locations, mainly above 600 metres overnight, above 750 metres through the day. Areas most affected will be West through North to North-East aspects, most notably in gullies, on scarp slopes, coire rims and ridge flanks. New cornice growth expected above these locations. Elsewhere, the snowpack will continue to consolidate. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

**Observed Avalanche Hazard - Fri 13/03/2020**

**Observed Weather Influences**

A cold, clear, dry day with plenty of sunshine. There is a persistent fresh to strong South-East wind. The freezing level remained around 500 metres.

**Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

Areas of fresh, moderately bonded windslab are accumulating in steep sheltered locations on West to North aspects, generally above 600 metres. Localised areas such as in gullies, scarp slopes and coire rims are most affected. Some fresh cornice growth noted above similar locations. Elsewhere, the snowpack is generally consolidating. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

**Mountain Conditions**

**Observed Mountain Travel Conditions**

Deep snow, extensive above 600m - hard going on foot. Knee deep in places! Cold clear conditions. Winds approximately 10 - 20 mph fresh and cooling.

**Comments**

Good snow cover above 350 metres. A rising freezing level tomorrow will help consolidate the snowpack at lower elevations. Remaining unsettled, but with periods of snow at higher elevations.