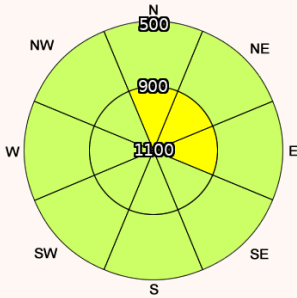


## Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 14/03/2020 TO 18:00HRS Sun 15/03/2020



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 temperature spike with freezing level to summits then progressively cooler. Rain for a time overnight then snow showers for the rest of the period, heaviest during the morning. Strong SW winds becoming W, later NW.

### Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Overnight wet snow and cornice instability followed by a consolidating trend in the snowpack in all locations as temperatures fall. New marginally stabilised windslab will form on very steep N to E aspects above 900m by then end of the day. Minor new cornice development expected over steepest lee slopes later. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

## Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sat 14/03/2020

### Observed Weather Influences

Overnight and early morning snow showers with rain at lower altitudes. Cold overnight then milder during the day. Moderate to strong SE later S winds.

### Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Dry snow instability at first on steep NW through N to NE aspects above 900m. Wet snow instability later especially on very steep slopes of various aspects below 800m. Size 2 full depth avalanche during the morning on a steep SE aspect at 620m. The avalanche hazard is Considerable

### Mountain Conditions

#### Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Diminishing snowpack at lower altitudes, good above 600 metres. Cloud base was at 600 metres all day. Winds 20 -30 mph progress difficult at times with stronger gusts

#### Comments