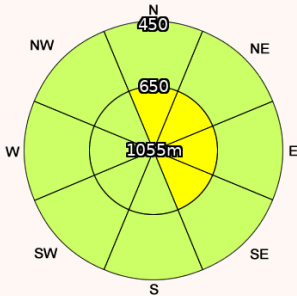


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sun 15/03/2020 TO 18:00HRS Mon 16/03/2020



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

The strong North winds will back South-South-West this evening becoming moderate in strength, then gradually increase in strength to become strong gale force. It will be mainly dry with heavy showers by tomorrow midday. It will turn colder with a low freezing level which will slowly rise tomorrow morning to around 1100 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

At first the snowpack will re-freeze in the cooler temperatures becoming firmer and generally well bonded. Instabilities will remain on high steep wind sheltered terrain above 650 metres on North through East to South-East aspects, affecting coire rims, the tops of gullies and scarp slopes. As temperatures begin rise in the afternoon some softening of the snow pack can be expected and cornices will become unstable. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sun 15/03/2020

Observed Weather Influences

There have been strong North-West winds with some hill snow on the higher summits. The visibility has been poor.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

There are some lingering wet snow instabilities in the diminishing snowpack. Localised windslab instabilities are present on steep wind sheltered locations above 650 metres on North through East to South-East aspects. Areas most affected are the tops of gullies, scarp slopes and high coire rims. Elsewhere the snowpack while softer is generally stable. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Diminishing snowpack, better above 650 metres. Poor visibility throughout the day above 600 metres. Winds 30 -40 mph.

Comments

Freezing at glen levels tonight then gradually rising again tomorrow.