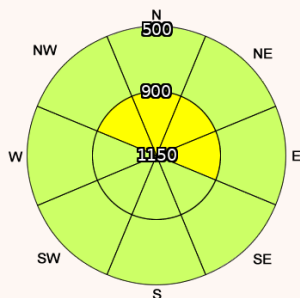


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Fri 20/03/2020 TO 18:00HRS Sat 21/03/2020



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

High pressure continues to dominate, bringing dry, settled and cold conditions. Freezing levels at around 400 metres but rising through the day to near 900 metres. South-Easterly winds will be fresh and strengthening through the day.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Little change is expected, the snowpack will remain mostly well bonded on all aspects and elevations with icy areas above 900 metres. In steep locations, localised pockets of unstable windslab will persist on North to East aspects mainly above 900 metres. Areas particularly affected, sheltered gullies, scarp slopes and coire headwalls. NW and SE aspects will also have some localised instabilities. Large cornices are present above most of these aspects. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Fri 20/03/2020

Observed Weather Influences

After a slight overnight frost at all levels it was dry and clear with lovely views, very light Easterly winds but only at summit level otherwise quite still and calm.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

In most places the snowpack is generally well bonded on all aspects and elevations often with icy areas above 900 metres. However, localised pockets of unstable windslab still persist in specific steep locations such as sheltered gullies, scarp slopes and coire headwalls, mainly on North to East aspects above 900 metres. NW and SE aspects also have some marginal instabilities. Large cornices are present above most of these aspects. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Firm snow - ice on most aspects, Cool clear conditions most of the day generally calm conditions. Winds 4 -10 mph from a SE direction.

Comments

Some solar radiation may affect cornices and scarp slopes beneath them.