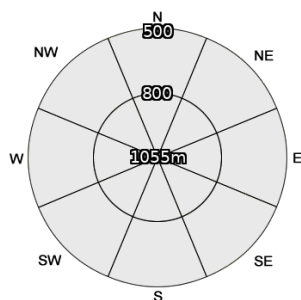


## Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Thu 25/02/2021 TO 18:00HRS Fri 26/02/2021



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

There will be strong West-South-West winds. It will be a dry day with perhaps the occasional light scattered snow shower further inland which will die out during the night. The freezing level will be at 800 metres at first then gradually rise throughout the night to around 1200 metres by the morning.

### Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

At first the snowpack will continue to firm up at summit levels with some shallow windslab forming on wind sheltered North to East aspects above 900 metres. These accumulations will be limited and avoidable. As the freezing level rises to above the summits tomorrow the snow will thaw and soften at all levels. While some wet snow instabilities will be present the snow pack will be generally stable on all aspects. The avalanche hazard will be Low.

## Observed Avalanche Hazard - Thu 25/02/2021

### Observed Weather Influences

A mild day with gale force West-South-West winds. There were some light scattered snow showers. The freezing level was around 800-900 metres.

### Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

At lower levels the snowpack remains wet and continues to thaw. Above 800 metres the snowpack is firmer with some shallow windslab accumulations on wind sheltered North to South aspects. These instabilities are limited and avoidable. The snowpack is generally well bonded and stable. The avalanche hazard is Low.

### Mountain Conditions

#### Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Diminishing snowpack, better above 600 metres. Poor visibility throughout the day above 800 metres. Winds very strong with gusts taking us off our feet at times.

#### Comments

A weak warm front will bring some light rain, with snow above 1000 metres, to the Northwest Highlands around midnight for a short time, remaining dry elsewhere