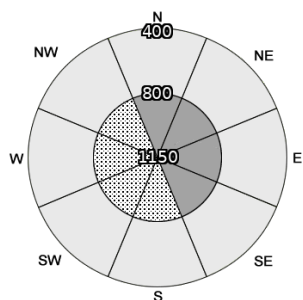


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Fri 10/12/2021 TO 18:00HRS Sat 11/12/2021



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

Overnight, mainly dry with fresh South-Westerly winds the freezing level will slowly rise to above the summits by dawn. Some snow or sleet at first but turning to rain at all levels by mid morning, winds, strengthening becoming strong Southerlies.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

During the course of the day the snowpack will become increasingly wet at most levels leading to wet snow instabilities on steeper slopes. All steep slopes will be affected but the greatest instabilities will be on North through East to South-Easterly aspects above 800 metres where the deepest snow accumulations exist. Cornices will also be unstable and prone to collapse. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Fri 10/12/2021

Observed Weather Influences

The freezing level was around 600 metres, a Westerly airflow brought pulses of snow showers falling mainly above 350 metres. The winds were fresh to strong from a Westerly direction.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Westerly winds have formed new areas of moderately bonded windslab in sheltered locations. Greatest accumulations are present on steep North through East to South-East aspects above 850 metres with the tops of coire headwalls and sheltered gullies mostly affected. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Snow cover mainly above 400 metres, deeper deposits above 700 metres with some deep drifts in places - some exposed ridges were slightly scoured. Visibility was variable, sometimes clearing after snow showers. Winds were Westerly approximately 15-20 mph.

Comments

Tomorrow looks like a wet day with strong Southerly winds. These conditions can rapidly deplete the snow cover leading to wet snow instabilities on steeper slopes.