

## National avalanche bulletin no. 132

from Sunday, 8 April 2007, 18:30 hours

### *Generally favourable backcountry touring conditions*

#### Current conditions

Easter Sunday was predominantly sunny in western and southern regions. In the northeast it was overcast in the morning, then in the afternoon increasingly bright. The winds were light. The midday temperatures at 2000 m were widespread plus 4 to plus 6 degrees. In northeastern regions it was somewhat cooler, at about zero degrees. The snow line on north facing slopes was generally between 1400 m and 1600 m. On south facing slopes it was widespread between 1600 m and 2000 m, in the Engadine between 2000 m and 2400 m. Especially in the inneralpine regions of Grisons the snowpack fundament on north facing slopes is often weak. Particularly in these areas, this can lead to avalanches.

#### Short-term development

On Sunday night it will be generally clear, permitting a solid crust to form on the snowpack surface. During the day on Monday it will be predominantly sunny, with precipitation clouds moving in during the afternoon. Particularly in western regions, isolated showers are possible. The midday temperatures at 2000 m will be between plus 3 degrees in northern regions and plus 5 degrees in southern regions. Light westerly winds will prevail. In the morning favourable backcountry touring conditions will prevail. In the course of the day, the danger of wet avalanches will be slightly augmented.

#### Avalanche danger forecast for Monday

Northern main Alpine ridge from Les Diablerets to Walensee; southern Valais; inneralpine regions of Grisons; Lower Engadine:

##### *Moderate Avalanche Danger (Level 2)*

The avalanche prone locations are primarily on northwest to north to northeast facing steep slopes above approximately 2500 m. Especially along the northern flank of the Alps and in southern Upper Valais there are still older snowdrift accumulations present. These should be judged carefully. Isolated avalanches can still fracture from the weak fundament of the old snow cover, particularly in the inneralpine regions of Grisons. Especially in the indicated aspects and altitude zones, maintaining distances between persons and single ascents are recommended.

Remaining regions of the Swiss Alps:

##### *Low Avalanche Danger (Level 1)*

Isolated avalanche prone locations are primarily on extremely steep north facing slopes above approximately 2500 m. The dangers of being swept along and falling must be heeded.

In all regions the danger of wet avalanches will rise in the course of the day. Backcountry touring and freeriding activities should be completed early.

#### Trend for Tuesday and Wednesday

It will be generally sunny with precipitation clouds and isolated showers during the afternoon. In the morning, favourable backcountry touring conditions continue to prevail.

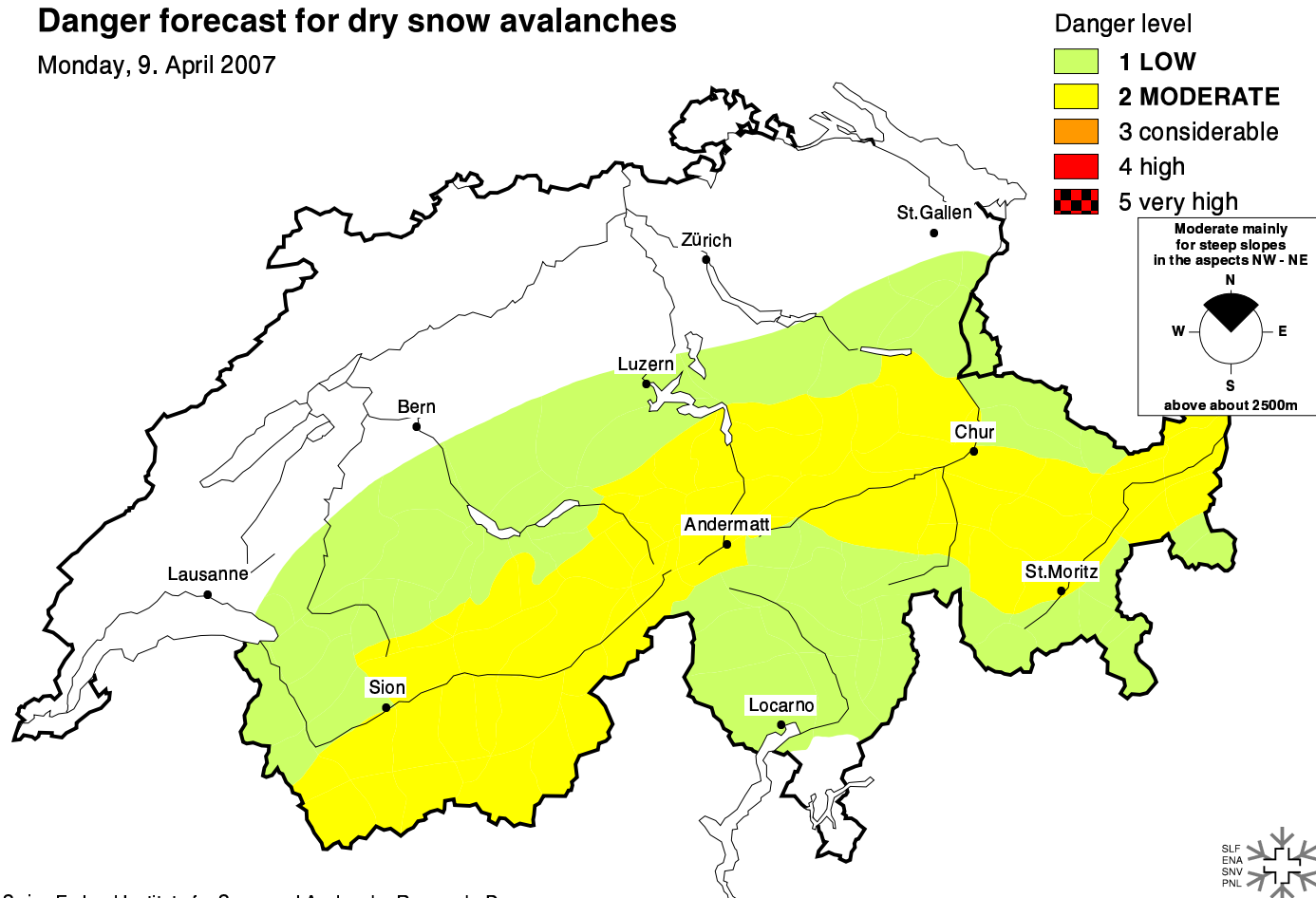
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## Danger forecast for dry snow avalanches

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## Danger for wet snow avalanches in the course of the day

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