

Observation Checklist				
Current Danger Rating	Low (Green)	Moderate (Yellow)	Considerable (Orange)	High/Extreme (Red)
Danger Trend / Forecast	Improving/ Steady	Rising Slowly	Rising Rapidly	
AVALANCHE ACTIVITY	CLASS I DATA			
When:	Past	Recent	Current	Current + Widespread + Local + Human/Natural + Many + Large
Number:	None / Few	Few	Few / Several	
Where:	Isolated	Lee / Solar	Widespread	
Triggers:	Large	Human	Human / Natural	
Characteristics:	Small	Medium / Slabs	Large	
SNOWPACK OBSERVATIONS	CLASS II DATA			
Average Depth:	> 2m (6')	1.5 - 2m (4' - 6')	< 1.5m (4')	
Average Strength:	Strong	Moderate	Weak	
Variability From Average Depth / Strength	Uniform	Somewhat variable	Highly variable	
Strong Over Weak Layering:	Little/None	Some	Pronounced	
Compression Tests: Rutschblock Tests:	CTN (No Fracture); RB 7	CTH (21-30); RB 5-6	CTM (11-20); RB 3-4	CTV-CTE (0-20); RM 1-2
Danger Signs: (Cracking, Whumphing, etc.)	Few/None Heavy trigger Localized propagation	Isolated Mod. Trigger Mod. Propagation	Widespread Light trigger Wide propagation	
WEATHER OBSERVATIONS	CLASS III DATA			
Storm:	None or Light Snow < 1 cm / hr Wind moves no snow	Mod. Snow 2 cm / hr Wind moves little snow in start zone. Cool and steady temps	Heavy Snow 5+ cm / hr Wind move some snow in start zone. Warm temps and/or rapid temp rise	Very Heavy Snow 10 cm / hr Winds move much snow in start zone; very warm temps and/or rapid temp rise
Last Red Flag Storm ended:	> 48 hours ago	36 - 48 hours ago	< 36 hours ago	
New Snow (past 12 hrs)	< 15 cm (6")	15 - 30 cm (6"-12")	> 30 cm (12")	
Blowing Snow:	None	Some recently	Much recently or currently	
Temps: Radiation:	Cold - Cool None - Little	Cool - Warm Some	> 0° C and/or rapid rise Strong	
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