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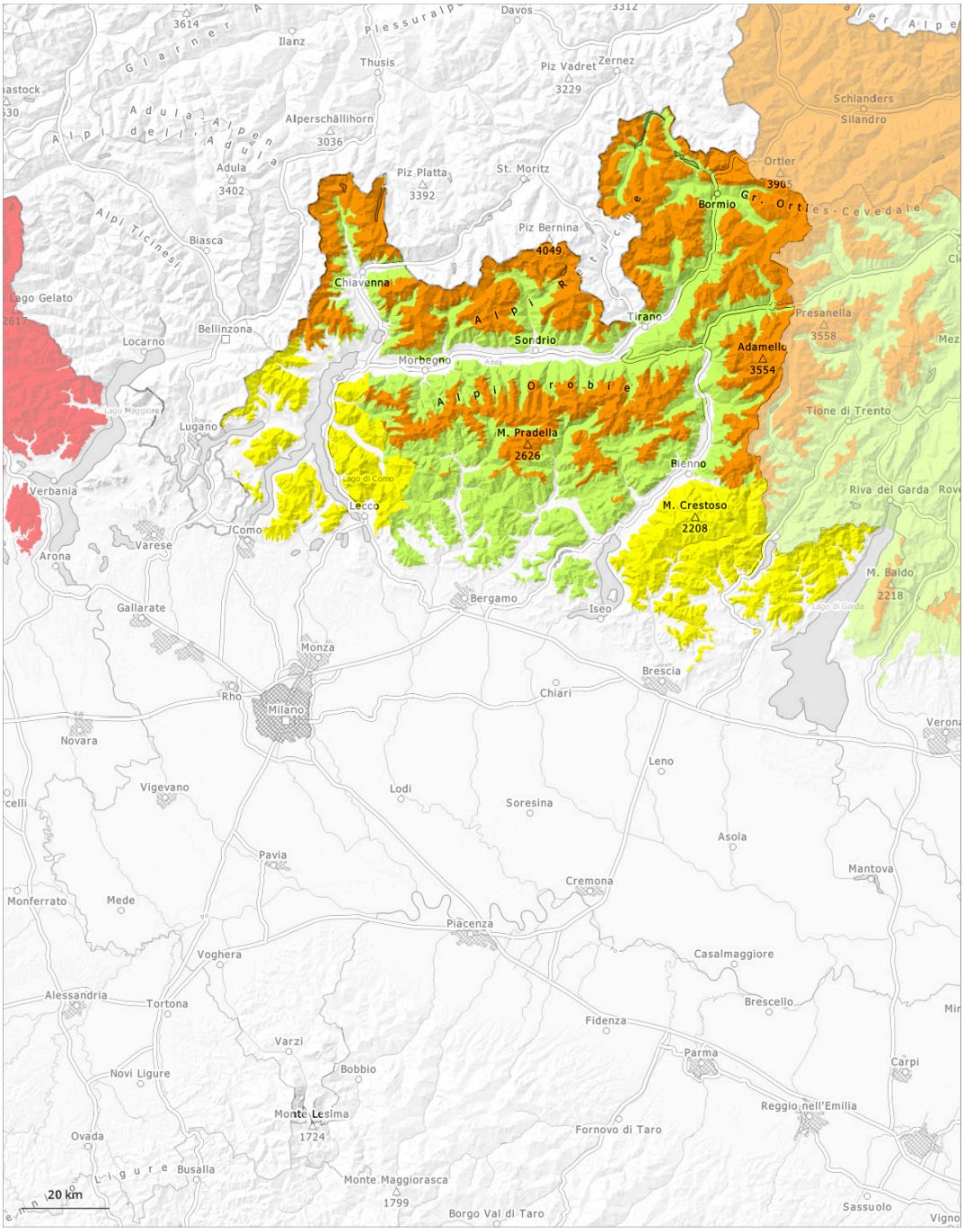

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low	moderate	considerable	high	very high

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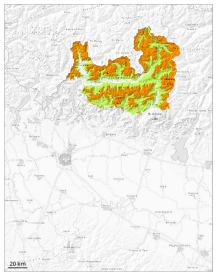
Danger Level 3 - Considerable



Tendency: Increasing avalanche danger
on Friday 18 04 2025

Wet snow

Snowpack stability: poor
Frequency: some
Avalanche size: large

Wind slab

Snowpack stability: poor
Frequency: some
Avalanche size: medium

Persistent weak layer

Snowpack stability: poor
Frequency: some
Avalanche size: medium

New snow and wet snow represent the main danger. As the precipitation becomes more intense numerous medium-sized and, in isolated cases, large dry and wet avalanches are to be expected above approximately 1800 m.

As the day progresses as a consequence of the rain there will be an additional increase in the danger of wet avalanches. This applies in particular below approximately 2400 m. Especially on very steep west, north and east facing slopes and below approximately 2600 m more frequent wet slab avalanches are to be expected as the penetration by moisture increases. These can release the saturated snowpack and reach large size also in the regions with a lot of snow.

Fresh wind slabs can be released by a single winter sport participant in some cases in particular on very steep shady slopes above approximately 2600 m. Such avalanche prone locations are to be found adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls. The conditions are unfavourable for backcountry touring.

Snowpack

Danger patterns dp.3: rain | dp.6: cold, loose snow and wind

The rain will give rise as the day progresses to rapid moistening of the snowpack over a wide area below approximately 2600 m. This situation will give rise to a loss of strength within the snowpack especially on west, north and east facing slopes. Some fresh snow and in particular the mostly small wind slabs that are forming at high altitude will be deposited on the unfavourable surface of an old snowpack in particular on east to north to west facing aspects above approximately 2600 m.

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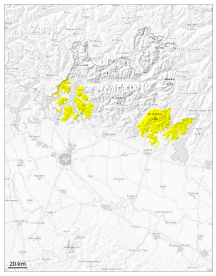
Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Tendency: Increasing avalanche danger
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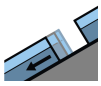
Wet snow

Snowpack stability: poor
Frequency: some
Avalanche size: medium

Wind slab

Snowpack stability: poor
Frequency: few
Avalanche size: medium



Gliding snow

Snowpack stability: poor
Frequency: few
Avalanche size: medium

In the course of the day the natural activity of small and medium moist and wet avalanches will increase. Gliding avalanches can also be released in the morning. The moist fresh snow as well as the wind slabs can be released easily or naturally in particular on steep shady slopes above approximately 2000 m.

The surface of the snowpack cooled hardly at all during the overcast night and will soften quickly. Numerous gliding avalanches and moist snow slides are possible. The fresh snow and the mostly small wind slabs can be released easily or naturally in particular on steep, little used north facing slopes above approximately 2000 m.

Snowpack

Danger patterns dp.2: gliding snow | dp.6: cold, loose snow and wind

As a consequence of the precipitation, the likelihood of moist loose snow avalanches being released will increase in particular on steep grassy slopes in all altitude zones. The snowpack will become gradually prone to triggering.

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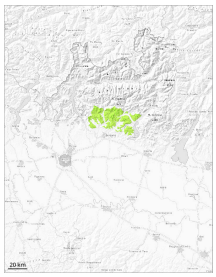
Danger Level 1 - Low



Tendency: Constant avalanche danger
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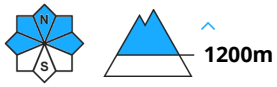
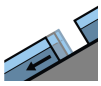
Wet snow



Snowpack stability: fair
Frequency: few
Avalanche size: small



Gliding snow

Snowpack stability: fair
Frequency: few
Avalanche size: small

Moist and wet snow slides and small avalanches are possible.

Individual small moist and wet avalanches are possible above approximately 1800 m.

Snowpack

Danger patterns dp.10: springtime scenario | dp.2: gliding snow

The rain will give rise to increasing and thorough wetting of the snowpack at high altitude. This situation will give rise to a loss of strength within the snowpack especially on west, north and east facing slopes.