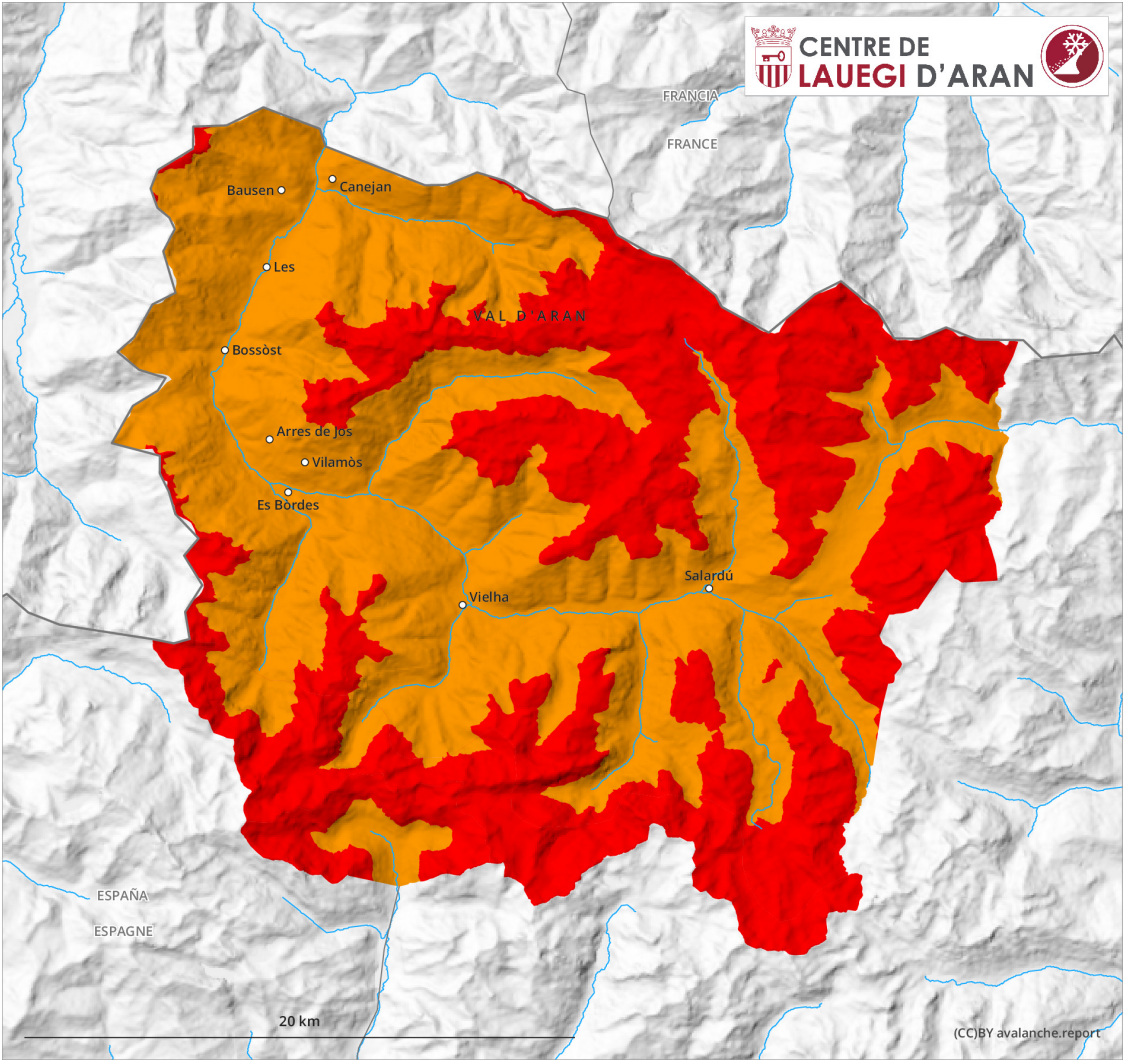
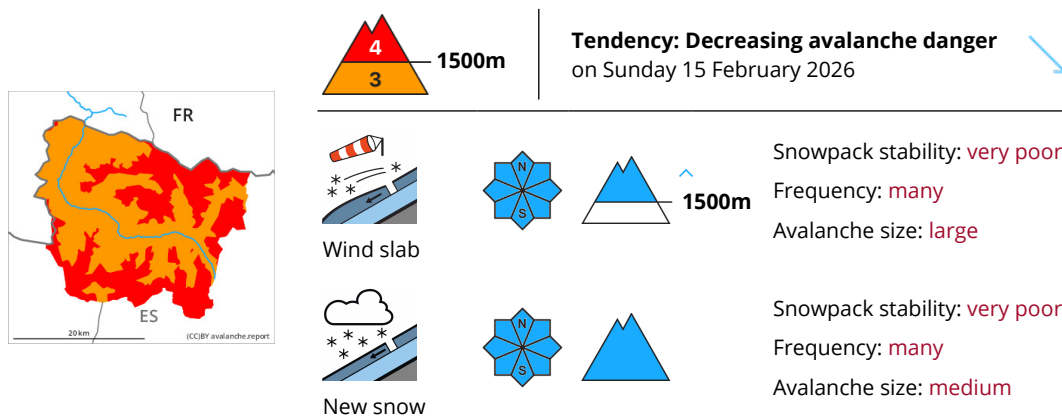


Danger Level 4 - High



New snow and wind slabs are to be critically assessed. The avalanches can occur easily or triggered naturally.

Fresh snow and large quantities of wind-drifted snow will become increasingly prone to triggering in all aspects.

As a consequence of new snow and a strong northwesterly wind, large surface-area wind slabs will form adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls as well as at intermediate and high altitudes. Fresh and somewhat older wind slabs are in some cases large. Especially rather lightly snow-covered shady slopes, high altitudes: In isolated cases avalanches can be released in the old snowpack and reach very large size.

Also very steep slopes in places that are protected from the wind: As a consequence of the new snow dry loose snow slides are to be expected at any time, in particular medium-sized ones. Midday and afternoon: Occasionally large avalanches are further not ruled out.

The avalanche prone locations are numerous and are barely recognisable because of the poor visibility. Intermediate and high altitudes: Snow sport activities are to be restricted to controlled terrain.

Snowpack

The weather will be very cloudy. Over a wide area 50 to 70 cm of snow, but less in some localities, will fall until the evening. The wind will be strong to storm force. The northwesterly wind will transport the new snow significantly.

In some cases new snow and wind slabs are lying on an icy crust. In some places wind slabs are lying on a weakly bonded old snowpack. Faceted weak layers exist in the bottom section of the snowpack in particular on shady slopes. At intermediate altitudes there are 100 to 180 cm of snow, and even more in some localities.

Tendency



Sunday: Gradual decrease in danger of dry avalanches as the snowfall eases. Gradual increase in danger of gliding avalanches and moist snow slides as a consequence of warming.