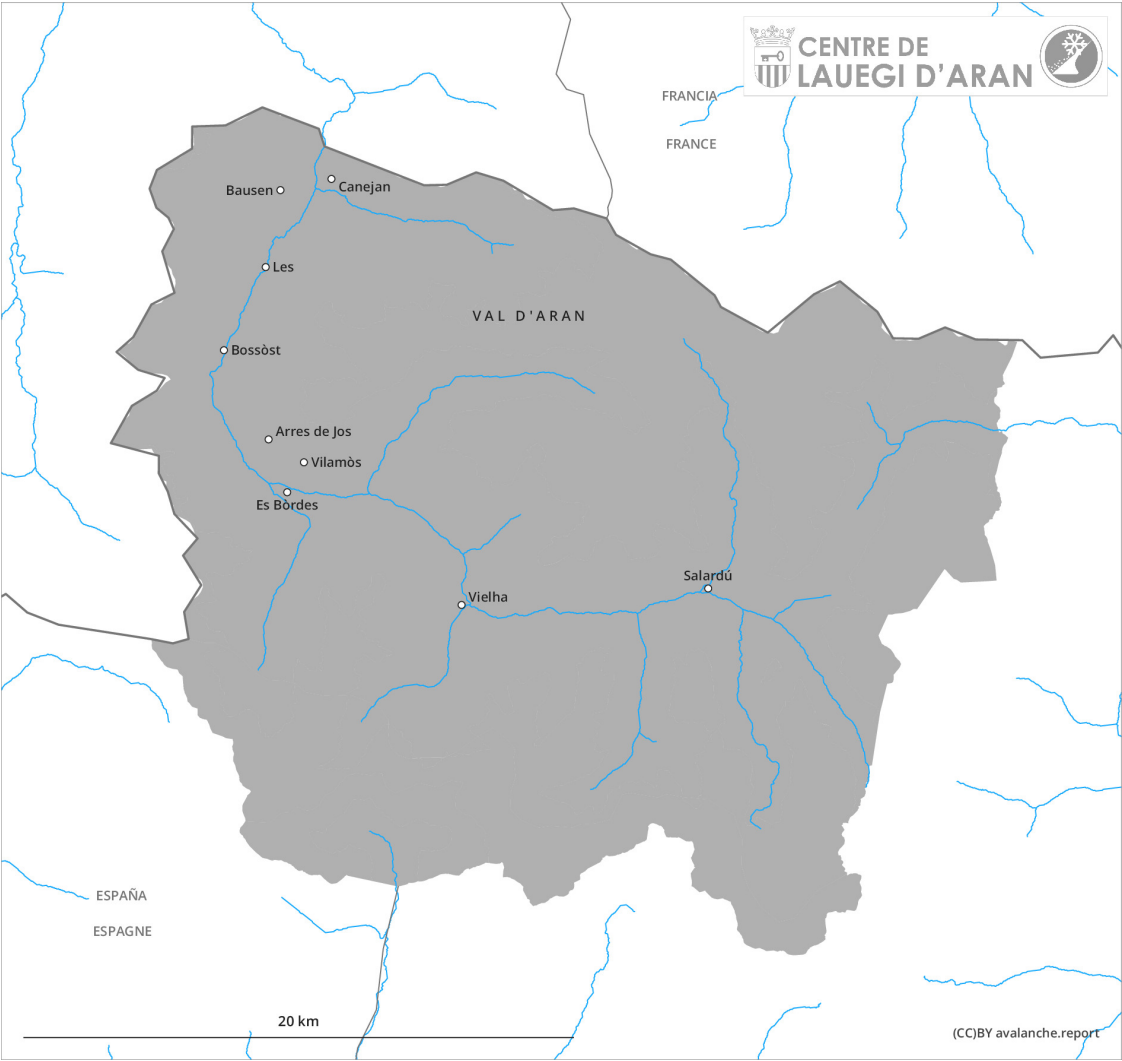






Danger Level 3 - Considerable



Tendency: Constant avalanche danger →

on Wednesday 18 March 2026



Wind slab



2000m

Snowpack stability: **poor**

Frequency: **many**

Avalanche size: **medium**



Persistent weak layer

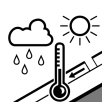


2200m

Snowpack stability: **poor**

Frequency: **some**

Avalanche size: **medium**



Wet snow



1500m

Snowpack stability: **very poor**

Frequency: **many**

Avalanche size: **medium**

Wind slabs and weakly bonded old snow are to be critically assessed. Moist snow slides and avalanches as the day progresses.

The sometimes deep wind slabs of the last few days can be released in all aspects at intermediate and high altitudes, especially at their margins. Caution is to be exercised in particular in gullies and bowls, and behind abrupt changes in the terrain. In many cases the avalanches are medium-sized. These can also be triggered in the old snowpack and reach quite a large size in particular on wind-protected shady slopes.

As a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation more frequent moist snow slides and avalanches are to be expected as the day progresses, even medium-sized ones.

Ski touring and other off-piste activities, including snowshoe hiking, call for experience in the assessment of avalanche danger and careful route selection.

Snowpack

20 to 30 cm of snow, and even more in some localities, fell in the last few days above approximately 1800 m. The sometimes storm force wind has transported the new snow and, in some cases, old snow as well.

The clearly visible wind slabs remain for the foreseeable future prone to triggering in all aspects. They are lying on a crust in particular on sunny slopes. Wind-protected shady slopes: The wind slabs are lying on weak layers. Released avalanches and field observations show poor snowpack stability.

The spring-like weather conditions as the day progresses will give rise to rapid moistening of the snowpack in particular on steep sunny slopes.

At intermediate altitudes there are 150 to 200 cm of snow, and even more in some localities. Snow depths vary greatly at high altitudes and in high Alpine regions, depending on the influence of the wind.



Tendency

Wednesday: The danger of dry and moist avalanches will not decrease for the time being.