

# NWAC Spring Forecast Operations 2018

**Saturday April 14th:** End Daily Forecast Operations and 730 am Mountain Weather Forecasts

**Sunday April 15th:** Spring Schedule Begins, Avalanche Forecast Updated if warranted

**Thursday April 19th - Saturday April 21st:** Full Weather\* and Avalanche Forecast Schedule

**Sunday Morning April 22nd:** Avalanche Forecast Updated if warranted

**Thursday April 26th - Saturday April 28th:** Full Weather\* and Avalanche Forecast Schedule

**Sunday Morning April 29th:** Avalanche Forecast Updated if warranted

\*Full 5 day Mountain Weather Forecasts issued once-a-day between 1-2 pm. NO morning issuance.

## NWAC Midweek Spring Responsibilities (through end of May)

- Monitor Weather and Snowpack
- Support NWAC Partners with their Spring Operations
- Weather Station Repair
- Program Planning for 2018-19 Season (continues intermittently through summer)

## May Weekend Outlooks Issued Thursday evenings (before 8 PM) for the upcoming weekend:

- Issued Thursday May 3rd for Friday May 4th-Sunday May 6th
- Issued Thursday May 10th for Friday May 11th - Sunday May 13th
- Issued Thursday May 17th for Friday May 18th - Sunday May 20th
- Issued Thursday May 24th for Friday May 25th - Sunday May 27th

Note: Weekend Outlooks are not equivalent to Forecasts issued during the winter. Outlooks do not have a danger rating and are designed to give the public a planning tool that includes:

1. Summary of recent snowpack and avalanche observations
2. Overview of expected weather and potential avalanche conditions for Friday – Sunday period.
  - a. The Outlook may be updated Fridays or Saturdays if forecast conditions dramatically change.

## Special Avalanche Bulletin (Red Banner on homepage for affected Forecast Zones)

NWAC will issue a **Special Avalanche Bulletin** midweek in April or anytime in May when unusual and dangerous avalanche conditions are forecast and merit extra attention.

- With a Special Avalanche Bulletin, NWAC identifies where, when, and why dangerous avalanche conditions are expected to develop.

