

on. Dangerous areas were being closed as the intensity of the storm increased, but no closures were in effect along Never-Sweat Ridge.

Because of the strong southwest winds, a condition of instability arose in just a few hours; the Vail Slide should have been either

closed or checked for safety. This slope is now ski checked and hand`charged during and after storms. However, ski checking is pushing one's luck on this slope; it deserves hand charges.