



Alaska Avalanche School

Trip Plan

The best decisions of the day are made while trip planning. Trip planning mitigates the human factor.

Date: _____ Time: _____ Names of People in Party: _____

Trip Name: _____

Weather

Current Wind, Temp and Precip:

How will the weather affect decision-making?

Forecasted Wind, Temp and Precip:

Snowpack

What is the avalanche danger rating?

What is the likelihood you could trigger an avalanche today?
(unlikely, possible, likely)

Which avalanche problem(s) are you most concerned about?

What is your level of uncertainty? (low, moderate, high)

Which red flags are present?

Tests

ECT: _____

Kickturn Tests: _____

CT: _____

Test Slopes: _____

Hand Shears: _____

People

Group Size: _____

How will the group affect decision-making?

Group Gear and Rescue Training?

First Aid Kit

Comms

Navigation Kit

Emergency Shelter

Repair Kit

Med and Rescue Training

Terrain

Route Plan

Plan A

Plan B

Plan C (bailout)

Does the plan match our skills and goals?

Start Time:

Does everyone like our plan?

Where are the avalanche problems?

Who knows about your trip plan?

Time Plan

Turnaround Time:

Return Time:

Debrief

When were we most at risk?

How can we do better next time?