

EXPLANATION

This map depicts elevation classes and intervals that are important in analyzing regional terrain, orographic configuration, and potential snow avalanche occurrences (pl. 2). Preliminary analyses of snowpack information, and climatological data within different elevation classes and known avalanche occurrences (Hackett and Santeford, 1980) indicate correlatable relationships between mountainous terrain and snow avalanche activity in south-central and southeastern Alaska. This map should be used in conjunction with readily available topographic and shaded relief maps in evaluating potential snow avalanche terrain through analysis of elevation intervals, freeze levels, slope angles and aspects, and terrain configuration.

This map is not intended to replace a detailed slope analysis, but can be used as a basic reference in identifying potential snow avalanche areas.

REFERENCES

Hackett, S.W. and Santeford, H.S., in press, Avalanche zoning in Alaska: Jour. Glaciology Proceedings of Snow in Motion Scientific Symposium, Ft. Collins, August 10-17, 1979.

-Base from U.S. Geological Survey 1974: Juneau B-2, 1:63,360 Quadrangle, Alaska

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MAP OF MOUNTAINOUS TERRAIN, JUNEAU B-2 QUADRANGLE, ALASKA

