



**ALASKA DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY &
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

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<p><u>SEOC Preparedness Level</u> Level 3 - Ongoing Active Response - 2020 December Southeast Storm</p>	<p>http://ready.alaska.gov</p>	<p><u>National Terrorism Advisory System:</u> View this site for the latest NTAS bulletin: read the current NTAS Bulletin here.</p>
<p><u>Maritime Security (MARSEC)</u> Level:1-Minimum Appropriate Security Measures</p>	<p>WHO Novel Coronavirus Pandemic (COVID-19): 2019 Novel Coronavirus</p>	<p><u>Alaska Military Installation Force Protection Level:</u> FPCON Bravo</p>

(Significant changes from previous situation reports are in red.)

THREAT LEVEL CHANGES:

Significant Issues:

2020 December Southeast Storm Disaster:

SEOC remains at Level 3 and is actively engaged in response and initiation of recovery operations to Southeast Alaska communities impacted by the recent storm.

Haines:

SEOC deployed a Mass Care specialist to serve as the State's Division Supervisor.

Haines Emergency Operations Center (EOC) lifted some additional evacuations, but some areas require a detailed geotechnical assessment to determine their safety.

17 survivors were sheltered overnight in non-congregate shelters.

Public School is open in Haines with ongoing student instruction and crisis counseling assistance in place.

Other Southeast Alaska Communities:

In addition to Haines, SEOC is in contact with multiple Southeast communities reporting storm damage and is coordinating resources requests and technical assistance.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic:

A unified command has been established at the SEOC. The SEOC continues to support statewide response to COVID-19.

State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS)

DHSS is operating as the Medical Branch under the State EOC/Unified Command.

For more information about the outbreak refer to:

<https://covid19.alaska.gov/>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

The Alaska DHSS website is located at <http://dhss.alaska.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

NTAS BULLETIN

To read current advisories, select the link below.

<https://www.dhs.gov/national-terrorism-advisory-system>

Travel Alerts and Conditions

COVID-19 Health Orders may affect travel. Check <https://covid19.alaska.gov/> for current Health Orders.

For current driving conditions dial 511 or link to <http://511.alaska.gov/>

Recent Earthquakes

USGS Earthquake Information: <http://earthquake.usgs.gov/>

National Tsunami Warning Center: <http://ntwc.arh.noaa.gov/>

Alaska Volcanoes

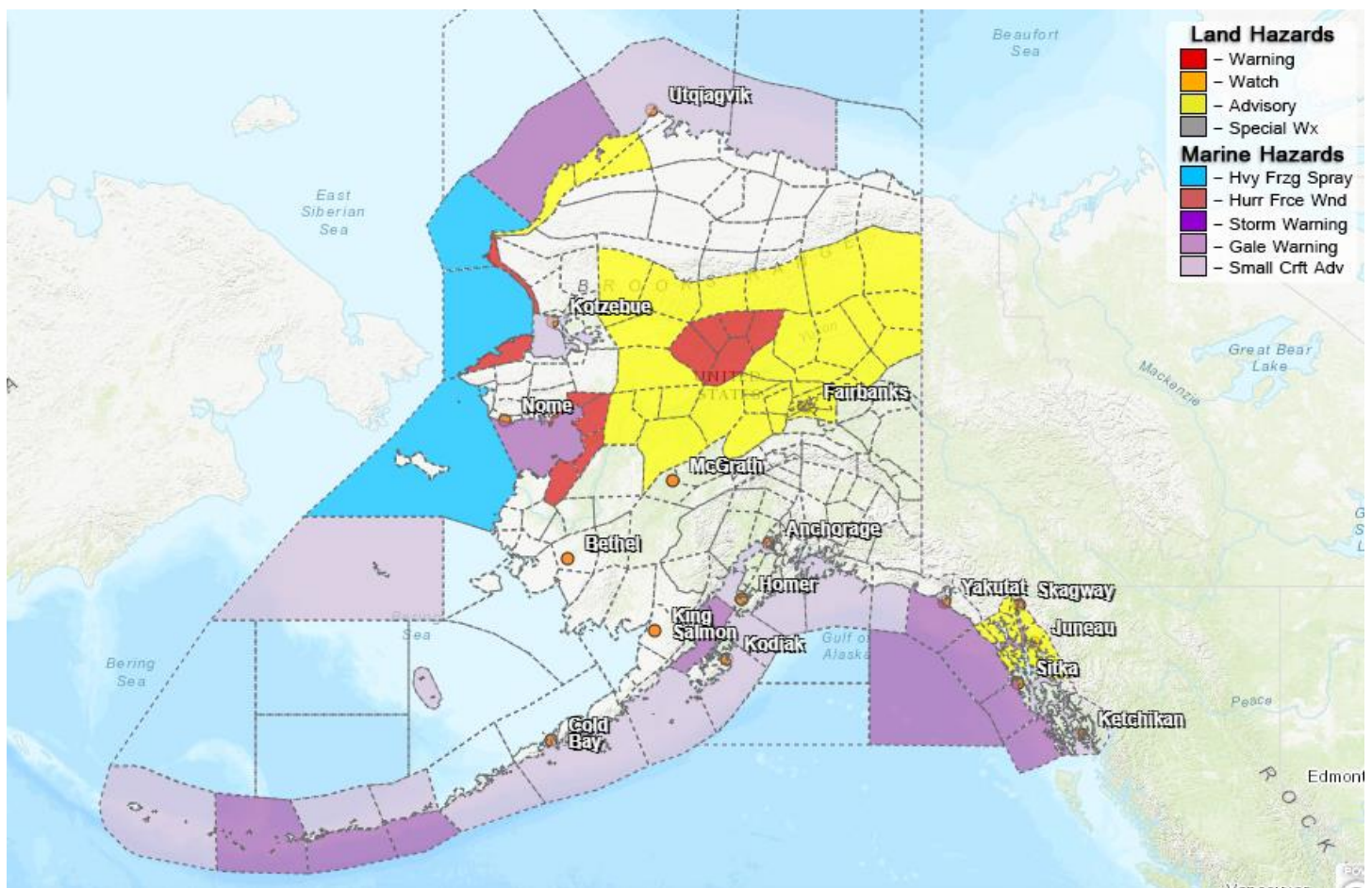
For Alaska Volcano updates, go to: <https://www.avo.alaska.edu/>

Air Quality Index (AQI) Advisories

For the most up to date Air Quality Index Advisories:

<http://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/Air/airtoolsweb/Home/Index>

Significant Weather:



Winter Weather Advisories are in effect for the following areas:

- Southeastern Brooks Range until 6:00 P.M. today. Winds gusting as high as 40 mph will cause areas of blowing and drifting snow.
- Yukon Flats & the Central Interior until 6:00 A.M. tomorrow. 3 to 5 inches of snow accumulation with localized amounts of up to 7 inches and winds gusting to 40mph.
- Middle Tanana Valley until 6:00 A.M. tomorrow. 1 to 2 inches of snow accumulation and blowing snow will reduce visibility along summits on the Parks Highway.
- Lower Koyukuk & Middle Yukon Valleys until 6:00 A.M. tomorrow. 3 to 5 inches of snow accumulations with localized amounts of up to 8 inches along with winds gusting to 45mph.
- Upper Kobuk & Noatak Valleys until 6:00 A.M. tomorrow. Winds gusting as high as 45mph will cause areas of blowing and drifting snow.

A Winter Storm Warning is in effect for the following areas:

- Upper Koyukuk Valley until 6:00 P.M. tonight. Winds gusting as high as 60 mph will cause areas of blowing and drifting snow over summits along the Dalton Highway.
- Haines Borough & Lynn Canal until 6:00 P.M. tonight. Additional snow accumulations of 1 to 3 inches are expected through the evening for a total accumulation of 6 to 9 inches.

A High Wind Warning is in effect for the following areas:

- Eastern Norton Sound & Nulato Hills until 3:00 P.M. today. Winds 30 to 40mph with gusts to 60mph are expected.

- Chukchi Sea Coast until 6:00 A.M. tomorrow. Winds 40 to 50mph with gusts to 65mph are expected near Point Hope.

A Blizzard Warning is in effect until 6:00 A.M. tomorrow for the Western Arctic Coast. Winds gusting as high as 55mph will create whiteout conditions in blowing snow.

For more information and the most current weather, Watches / Warnings / Advisories go to:

<http://www.weather.gov/arh>

Avalanche Forecast:



- Areas near Cordova, Haines, Valdez, and along the Richardson Highway with Moderate risk.

Check the Avalanche Forecast Center closest to your area for the most up to date information on Avalanche potential. <https://alaskasnow.org/> or <https://www.weather.gov/afc/avalanche>

Spills of Oil and Hazardous Substances

The ADEC Spill Prevention and Response page is located at:

<http://dec.alaska.gov/spar/ppr/spill-information/response/>

Alaska Cyber Security Information

State Employees may sign up for cybersecurity notifications and alerts at

<https://oit.alaska.gov/Security>

The Next Situation Report: will be 15 December 2020. A significant change in the situation or the threat level will prompt an interim report.

This report is posted on the internet at <https://ready.alaska.gov/sitrep>. To register for email distribution, go to <http://list.state.ak.us/mailman/listinfo/dhsem.situation.report>. Direct questions regarding this report to the SEOC at 907-428-7100 or seoc@alaska.gov.