



**ALASKA DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY &
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<p><u>SEOC Preparedness Level</u></p> <p>Heightened Awareness – Response to COVID-19 and Recovery from December Southeast Storms</p>	<p>http://ready.alaska.gov</p>	<p><u>National Terrorism Advisory System:</u></p> <p>View this site for the latest NTAS bulletin: read the current NTAS Bulletin here.</p>
<p><u>Maritime Security (MARSEC)</u></p> <p>Level:1-Minimum Appropriate Security Measures</p>	<p>WHO Novel Coronavirus Pandemic (COVID-19):</p> <p>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:

None

Significant Issues:

Selawik Power Outage:

On Monday February 15, the Northwest Arctic Borough contacted the SEOC reporting a power outage in the community of Selawik. The Alaska Village Electric Cooperative was actively engaged in repairs and power was restored to a portion of the community. One of the communities three generators is working, but they are still rationing power and using scheduled outages. The area of town that continues without power has approximately 150 residences, a 20-unit apartment complex, the school, and water treatment plant. The water treatment plant is now on backup power. A few families without a secondary residential heat source were sheltered in the school overnight. The SEOC is in regular contact with the Borough and Selawik Tribal Administrator. The City declared a local disaster yesterday afternoon.

Tuluksak Water System Fire:

Remote water maintenance workers, contractors, and the Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corporation have laid pipe to the Tuluksak River and expect to insert a pump today. The team anticipates pumping water tomorrow and to have water for the school system this week. Next week they intend to begin thawing the water transmission line. Once operational, this temporary water system will provide non-potable water for a laundry facility, and hopefully the fire suppression systems for the school. SEOC is in regular contact with community leadership to address any immediate needs

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

The United States Department of Homeland Security has issued a National Terrorism Advisory System Bulletin effective January 27, 2021 for a heightened threat environment across the United States.

Read the bulletin here: https://www.dhs.gov/sites/default/files/ntas/alerts/21_0127_ntas-bulletin.pdf

Travel Alerts and Conditions

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

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

Barry Arm Landslide / Tsunami Risk

For the latest information on the Barry Arm Landslide and Tsunami risk, click here:

[DGGS Barry Arm Landslide and Tsunami Hazard](#)

Recent Earthquakes

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

National Tsunami Warning Center: <http://tsunami.gov/>

Alaska Volcanoes

Semisopchnoi Alert Level: WATCH and Aviation Color Code: ORANGE

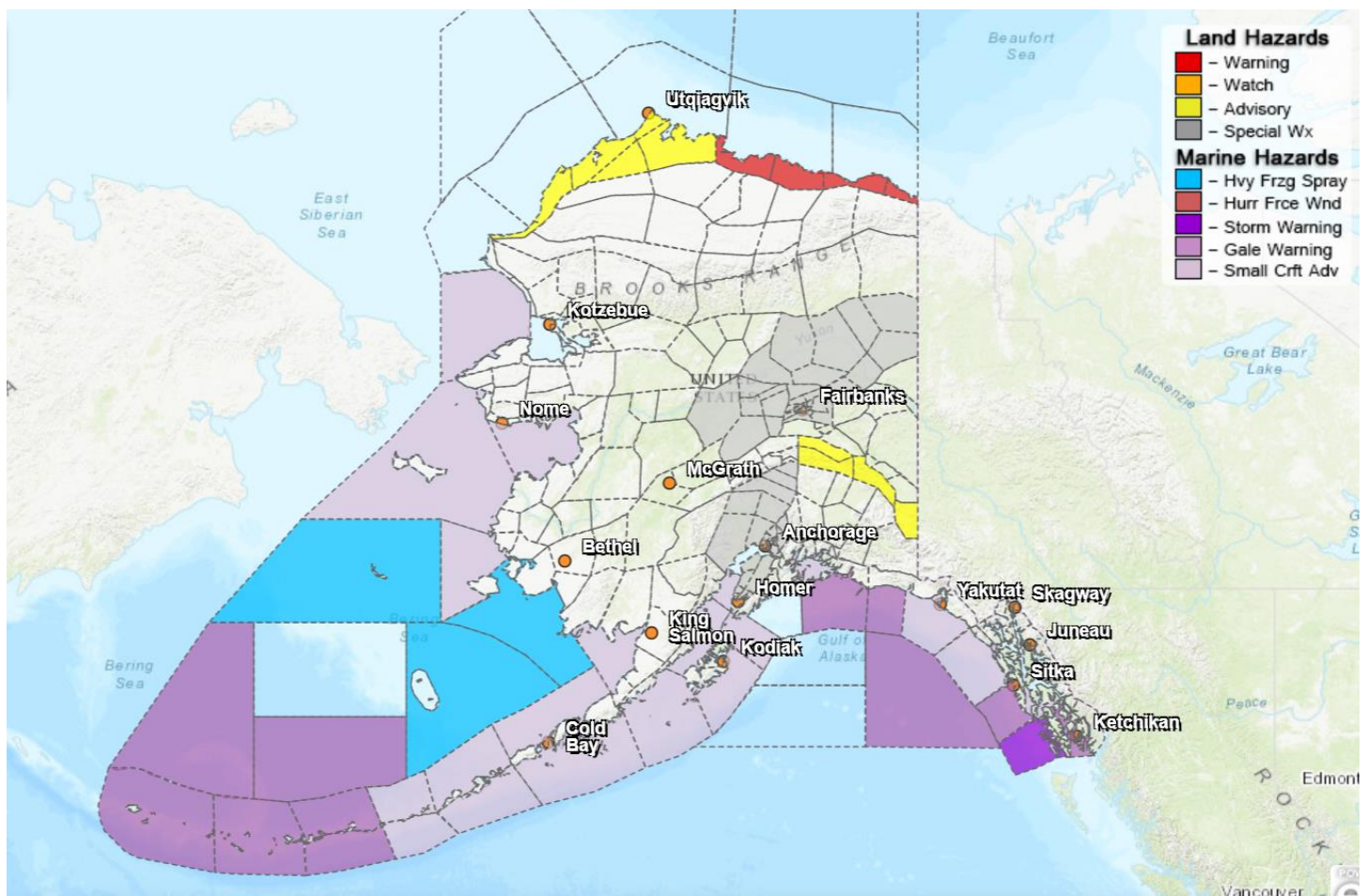
For Alaska Volcano updates, go to: <https://www.avo.alaska.edu/>

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:



Wind Chill Advisories and Warnings are in effect for the Northern and Western Arctic Coasts and the Central and Eastern Beaufort Sea Coasts until noon on Friday.

A Winter Weather Advisory is in effect for the Eastern Alaska Range until 3:00 P.M. tomorrow.

A Special Weather Statement is in effect for Anchorage, MatSu and Susitna Valleys and the Western Kenai Peninsula. 2 to 4 inches of snow is expected late Wednesday night into Thursday, with localized amounts of up to 8 inches.

A Special Weather Statement has been issued for the Central, Eastern and Western Interior. Light snow is expected across the region through Thursday.

For more information and the most current weather, Watches / Warnings / Advisories go to:
<http://www.weather.gov/arh>

Avalanche Forecast:

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 18 February 2021. 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