



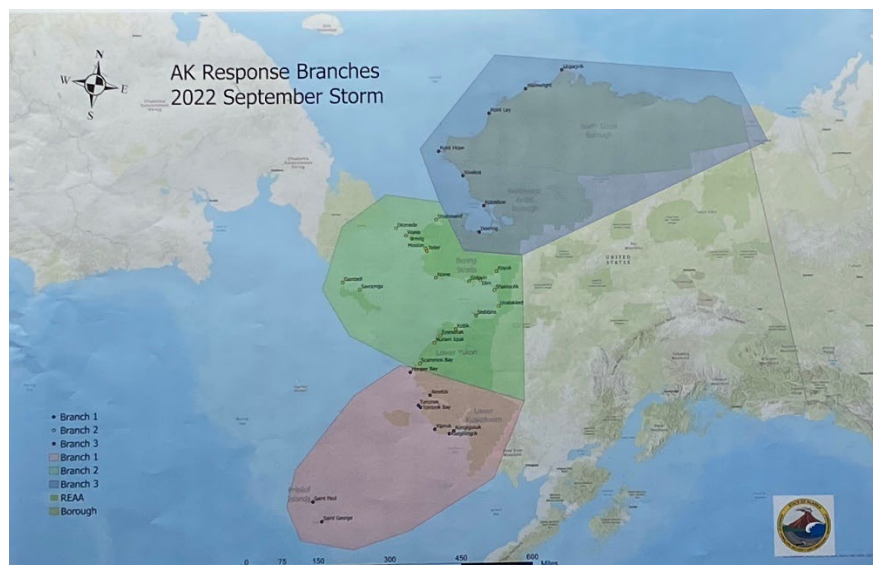
State Emergency Operations Center

2022 September Winter Storm

Incident Situation Report

Date: September 29, 2022, Time: 1600 hrs.

SEOC Preparedness Level 3



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Incident Overview

Timeline of Significant Events:

17 September 2022, Governor Mike Dunleavy issued a disaster declaration for the 2022 September storm currently impacting the west coast of Alaska.

21 September 2022, Governor Mike Dunleavy issued a request for a Presidential Disaster Declaration from President Biden.

23 September 2022, the request for a Federal Disaster Declaration was approved and Alaska Severe Storm, Flooding, and Landslides (DR-4672-AK) was approved.

Significant Operations

SEOC is actively engaged with multiple state, federal, non-profit, volunteer, faith-based, private-sector, tribal, and native corporations in support of local community incident commands responding to the Typhoon Merbok storm impacts.

Following the federal disaster declaration, additional FEMA resources have been officially added to the response efforts.

Individual and Public Assistance applications for FEMA and the state have opened and are available to individuals and businesses in the affected region. Online and telephonic registrations are now open. **Telephonic registration can be reached at 1-844-445-7137 and online registration can be found at, ready.alaska.gov/storm. FEMA telephonic registration is 800-621-3362 or disasterassistance.gov. Survivors in the declared disaster area with needs should apply to both programs to maximize potential assistance.**

Overall Response Operations:

Over 150 personnel from the Alaska Air and Army National Guard, Alaska State Defense Force, and Alaska Naval Militia Alaska (all of which constitute Alaska Organized Militia (AKOM)) are on orders for disaster response and are deploying by military aircraft to hub communities and then to local communities to assist with materials for immediate emergency temporary residential repair and storm debris cleanup. Efforts also include clearing public areas and assisting private residences as needed. Currently, multiple AKOM teams are deployed to Branches I and II, with additional personnel providing support. Personnel from the AKOM have so far removed nearly 85 tons of debris from affected communities and worked over 2,800 man-hours. See the picture below for detailed information.

AKOM Response Efforts



Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is working on reports of local contaminant spills and water/wastewater issues in Branch I and II. DEC is evaluating community water systems in the storm impact area and is publishing boil water notices as appropriate.

United States Coast Guard (USCG) The USCG has demobilized its Incident Management Team and SEOC liaison and is resuming normal operations. The USCG continues to support incident response via the Air Operations Branch in coordination with FEMA.

Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) Crews are assessing roads across the impacted area and are continuing drone surveys in several communities. Crews are also assisting local jurisdictions with repairs as possible. Maintenance & Operations is continuing the repair work on the Nome-Council roadway.

Branch I and II:

SEOC will redeploy Branch Directors to Bethel and Nome on Friday (9/30) to coordinate State, FEMA, and SBA Individual Assistance applications, the AKOM response missions, and Mass Care support. Native Corporations, regional tribal organizations, volunteer groups, and contracted commercial entities are organizing emergency shelter building materials shipments and mobilizing installation personnel to the impacted communities.

Branch III:

The SEOC has been in contact with the Northwest Arctic Borough's incident management team as well as the communities of Kivalina, Deering, and Wainwright. There are no reports of damage at this time and the SEOC continues to standby to support the region as needed.

SEOC Operations Brief

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Lifeline Status

 <p>Alaska Overall</p>	      
<p>Impacted Area</p>	      

Food, Water, and Shelter



 <p>Water</p>	<p>Branch II:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unalakleet: BIA is projecting to deliver 15 pallets of water every 2 weeks to the community starting 10/3. • Nunam Iqua: Community reports that their water system is unable to pump due to salt contamination. The reservoir has dropped, and the community has requested additional drinking water assistance. BIA will be sending a pallet of water via Ryan Air. • DEC: has issued Boil Water Notices due to the storm for the following communities, Elim and Koyuk.
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Shelter

Branch I:

- **Chevak:** Community is working with Alaska Municipal League to get heavy equipment to assist clean-up efforts
- **Hooper Bay:** The community reports 20 sheltered at the community-run shelter overnight and the SEOC is working to provide additional sleeping cots. Red Cross is working to move 13 pallets of insulation today

Branch II:

- **Golovin:** The barge containing building materials has been delayed. A second barge is enroute to assist. Offloading will be delayed. DOT&PF has contracted installation and project management to oversee temporary repairs for sheltering. Eight individuals sheltered

Health & Medical



Public Health

Branch I:

- **Tununak:** Due to increasing COVID-19 cases in the community, a temporary restriction on travelers has been implemented. All travelers are subject to a 14-day quarantine period.

Transportation



Roadways

Branch II:

- **Nome:** Nome-Council Highway repairs continue. More than 132 side dump loads of material have been utilized to repair the road and adjoining sea wall. Material hauling for the Council Highway, miles 0-5 is complete. The pioneer road ~MP16.4 to~MP17.2 is capped and graded.

Hazmat



Facilities

Branch I:

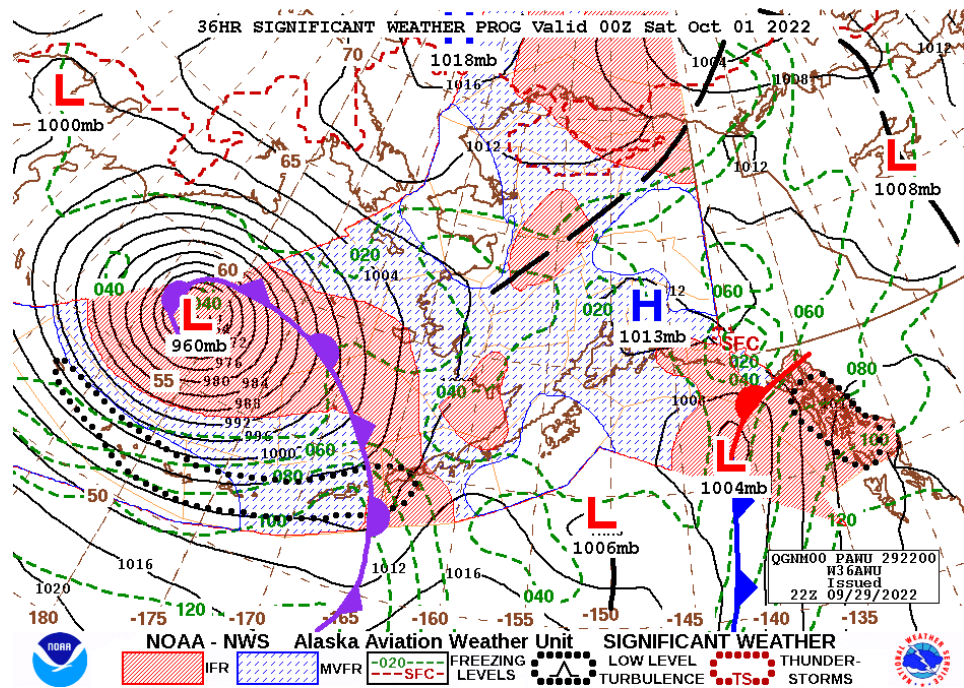
- **Chevak:** As of Tuesday (9/27), the USCG contractor had cleared 120 of the 130 identified targets for pollution. The remaining work was scheduled to be completed yesterday (9/28).

Branch II:

- **Golovin:** DEC SPAR team arrived in the community on Tuesday (9/27) to assess homes impacted by fuel. The team completed assessments and returned to Nome yesterday (9/28). The landfill is requesting a hard boom for leachate management as a preventative measure.

Expected flying weather category/conditions for Friday, 9/30/22:

- North flow will allow VFR conditions (ceilings greater than 3000 feet and visibilities greater than 5 miles) to develop later Friday morning over the Seward Peninsula and spread farther south later Friday morning and afternoon around most of Norton Sound.
- Look for MVFR conditions (ceilings greater than 1000 feet but less than 3000 feet with visibilities between 3-5 miles) to hold on Friday over the Yukon Delta including Hooper Bay down through Bethel.



Helpful Links

Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHSEM) Storm Dashboard

<https://ready.alaska.gov/storm>

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<http://ready.alaska.gov/>

National Weather Service: Alaska Forecast Center

<https://www.weather.gov/alaska/>

Abbreviations List

AML	Alaska Municipal League
AVCP	Association of Village Council Presidents
AVEC	Alaska Village Electric Co-Op
BCSF	Bethel Community Services Foundation
BIA	Bureau of Indian Affairs
BWN	Boil Water Notice
CVRF	Coastal Villages Region Fund
DEC	Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation
DGGS	Alaska Division of Geological and Geophysical Surveys
DOT	Department of Transportation
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
IFR	Instrument Flight Rules
JTF	Joint Task Force
MVFR	Marginal Visual Flight Rules
NSHC	Norton Sound Health Corporation
NWS	National Weather Service
SEOC	State Emergency Operations Center
SPAR	Spill Prevention and Recovery
UIC	Ukpeaġvik Iñupiat Corporation
USACE	United States Army Corps of Engineers
USCG	United States Coast Guard
VFR	Visual Flight Rules
VOAD	Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster
YKHC	Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corporation