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<p><u>SEOC Preparedness Level</u> Level 2 – Heightened Awareness</p>	<p>http://ready.alaska.gov</p>	<p><u>National Terrorism Advisory System:</u> Read the 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.)

Significant Issues:

Statewide Fires

The Alaska Interagency Coordination Center (AICC) is coordinating statewide wildland firefighting suppression efforts on 10 staffed fires across Alaska at Planning Level 3 of 5. Emergency Management agencies across the state are engaged in response to fire impacts on persons and property. Overall there are 90 active fires in the state, with 5 new yesterday and 75 being monitored – some of which are being suppressed only with occasional aircraft. To date over 850,000 acres have burned.

The lightning caused East Fork Fire (#160), at over 150,000 acres, is burning near St. Mary's with risk to Mountain Village, Pilots Station, and Pitkas Point. 255 firefighters are assigned to this fire under the command of the Alaska Type II Green Incident Management Team.

The Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corporation, Red Cross, and Alaska National Guard are operating two shelters in Bethel, one at the National Guard Armory and one at the Gladys Jung Elementary School, for vulnerable residents relocated from this fire. 119 were sheltered overnight.

As fire risk decreases, plans are now underway to begin returning relocated residents to their communities and consolidate to one shelter at the Alaska National Guard Armory.

SEOC has a Mass Care Group Supervisor in Bethel supporting State disaster response coordination for the communities threatened by fire and has requested eight additional Alaska Organized Militia service members to support shelter operations there.

In addition, multiple organizations are supporting the Mass Care response to the East Fork fire with food, supplies, donations, and counseling including the Salvation Army, Alaska Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters, Association of Village Council Presidents, City of Bethel, Lower Kuskokwim School District, Lions Club, local churches, and the public.

In addition to the East Fork Fire, SEOC is actively engaged with other communities near fires to provide support for non-suppression needs while AICC coordinates fire suppression.

A new, lightening caused 100-acre fire, near Wickersham Dome in Fairbanks was staffed with firefighters yesterday.

In southwest Alaska, the Alaska Type II Incident Management Black Team took command this morning of 17 lightening caused fires burning in the Kuskokwim River corridor of southwest Alaska near communities including; the Aghaluk Mountain Fire (#206) burning near the communities of Sleetmute, Red Devil, Georgetown, and Crooked Creek; the Submarine Creek Fire (#220) burning near the community of Medfra and the Nixon Mine; and multiple fires burning near Lime Village.

The full statewide fire situation update is available from AICC (link referenced below under fire section of this SITREP) and a special fire fuels advisory for the state is also linked

Spring Flood Disaster

Registration for Individual Assistance at <https://ready.alaska.gov> until July 12, 2022.

Threat Level Changes:

None.

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

DHSS is now leading the State of Alaska COVID-19 Recovery through Department Operations, supported by SEOC and other state departments as required.

For current COVID-19 information, see:

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

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

NTAS Bulletin

To read current or expired advisories, click the link below:

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

Travel Alerts and Conditions

For current driving conditions dial 511 or link to <https://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

Great Sitkin Alert Level: **Watch** and Aviation Color Code: **Orange**

Cleveland Alert Level: **Advisory** and Aviation Color Code: **Yellow**

Pavlof Alert Level: **Watch** and Aviation Color Code: **Orange**

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

Air quality advisory for Southwest Alaska will be impacted by smoke from a complex of fires located throughout the southwest region. Advisory issued until end of event.

Air quality advisory for Central and Eastern Alaska will be impacted by wildfire smoke from the large complex of fires located in Southwest and Western Alaska. Advisory will be issued until end of event.

Air quality advisory for Western Interior Alaska will be impacted by smoke from Southwest, Hog Butte, and Submarine Creek fires. Advisory will be issued until end of event.

Air Quality will vary between GOOD and UNHEALTHY depending on wind flow and proximity to the fires in all the above areas.

For the most up to date Air Quality Index Advisories:

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

Spills of Oil and Hazardous Substances

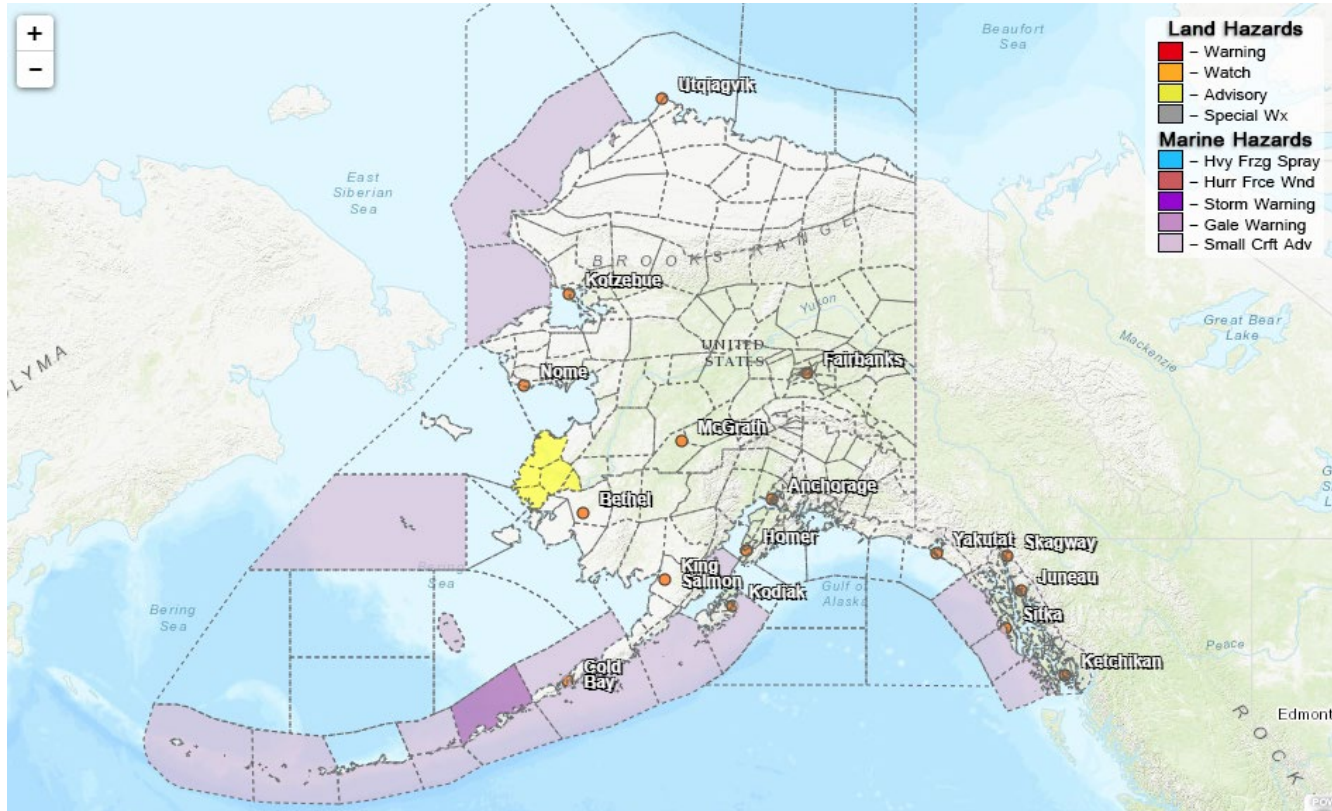
The ADEC Spill Prevention and Response page is located at:
<http://dec.alaska.gov/spar/ppr/spill-information/response/>

Alaska Cyber Security Information

State Employees may sign up for cyber security notifications and alerts at
<https://oit.alaska.gov/security>

CISA-Cybersecurity Services and Tools: www.cisa.gov/free-cybersecurity-services-and-tools

Significant Weather:



Dense smoke advisory in effect for Yukon Delta until 10:00 AM this morning. Limited visibility and unhealthy air quality conditions.

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

Fire Weather:

For more information and the most current fire related weather and warnings, go to:
<https://dnr.alaska.gov/burn> or <https://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/weather.php>

Special Fuels and Fire Behavior information visit:

<https://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/weather/outlooks/FFBehavior.pdf>

2022 Fire Season:

The Alaska Interagency Coordination Center is at Preparedness Level 3.
Wildland fire totals for 2022:

- Total Fires: 259
- Total Acres: 863.842 There are currently 90 active fire(s) with 13 fire(s) staffed.

Current fire information is at <https://fire.ak.blm.gov/> or <https://akfireinfo.com>

The Next Situation Report: will be 17 June 2022. 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