



# ALASKA DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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<p><b><u>SEOC Preparedness Level</u></b></p> <p>Level 2 – Heightened Awareness</p>	<p><a href="http://ready.alaska.gov">http://ready.alaska.gov</a></p>	<p><b><u>National Terrorism Advisory System:</u></b></p> <p><a href="#">Read the NTAS Bulletin here</a></p>
<p><b><u>Maritime Security (MARSEC)</u></b> Level: 1- Minimum Appropriate Security Measures</p>	<p><b>WHO Novel Coronavirus Pandemic (COVID-19):</b> <a href="#">2019 Novel Coronavirus</a></p>	<p><b><u>Alaska Military Installation Force Protection Level:</u></b> FPCON Bravo</p>

(Significant changes from previous situation reports are red.)

**Significant Issues:**

**Wrangell Landside Disaster:**

The State and FEMA Joint Preliminary Damage Assessment group completed their out-brief yesterday.

State Individual Assistance application hotline and website is open for Wrangell and Prince of Wales Island residents at <https://www.ready.alaska.gov/Recovery/IA> or by phone 1(844) 445-7131. The deadline to apply for State Individual Assistance is January 27, 2024.

**Point Hope Power Outage:**

Water plant technicians have restored water and sewer to nineteen homes with another 60 still in need of service. Thawing is expected to be complete by next week.

**Savoonga Power Outage:**

Alaska Village Electric Cooperative technicians were able to restore power to community infrastructure, although 23 homes remain without power. The school and community lodge continue to shelter residents without heat with support from the Mass Care Task Force.

**Quinhagak Power Outage:**

Local operators continue to repair the power system, transformers, and utility lines within the Village of Quinhagak. SEOC has been fully engaged with a multiagency response to manage state declared disaster needs.

**State of Alaska Department of Health (DOH)**

The DOH stands ready to assist with all aspects of public health and, in the event of a public health emergency, is supported by the SEOC and other state departments as required. For current information, see:

<https://health.alaska.gov/dph/Pages/default.aspx>

<https://health.alaska.gov/dph/Emergency/Pages/prepared/default.aspx>

**NTAS Bulletin**

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security issued an updated National Terrorism Advisory Bulletin on May 24, 2023. The current and expired bulletins can be viewed at the below link.

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

## **Travel Alerts and Conditions**

For current driving conditions, dial 511 or visit: <https://511.alaska.gov/>

## **Barry Arm Landslide / Tsunami Risk**

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

<https://dggw.alaska.gov/hazards/barry-arm-landslide.html>

## **Earthquakes**

United States Geological Service (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**

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

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

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

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

## **Air Quality Index (AQI) Advisories**

**Air Quality Alert in effect for Fairbanks Metro Area from 5:00 pm AKST this afternoon to noon Wednesday.**

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 Alaska Division of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) Spill Prevention and Response page is located at:

<https://dec.alaska.gov/spar/>

## **Alaska Cyber Security Information**

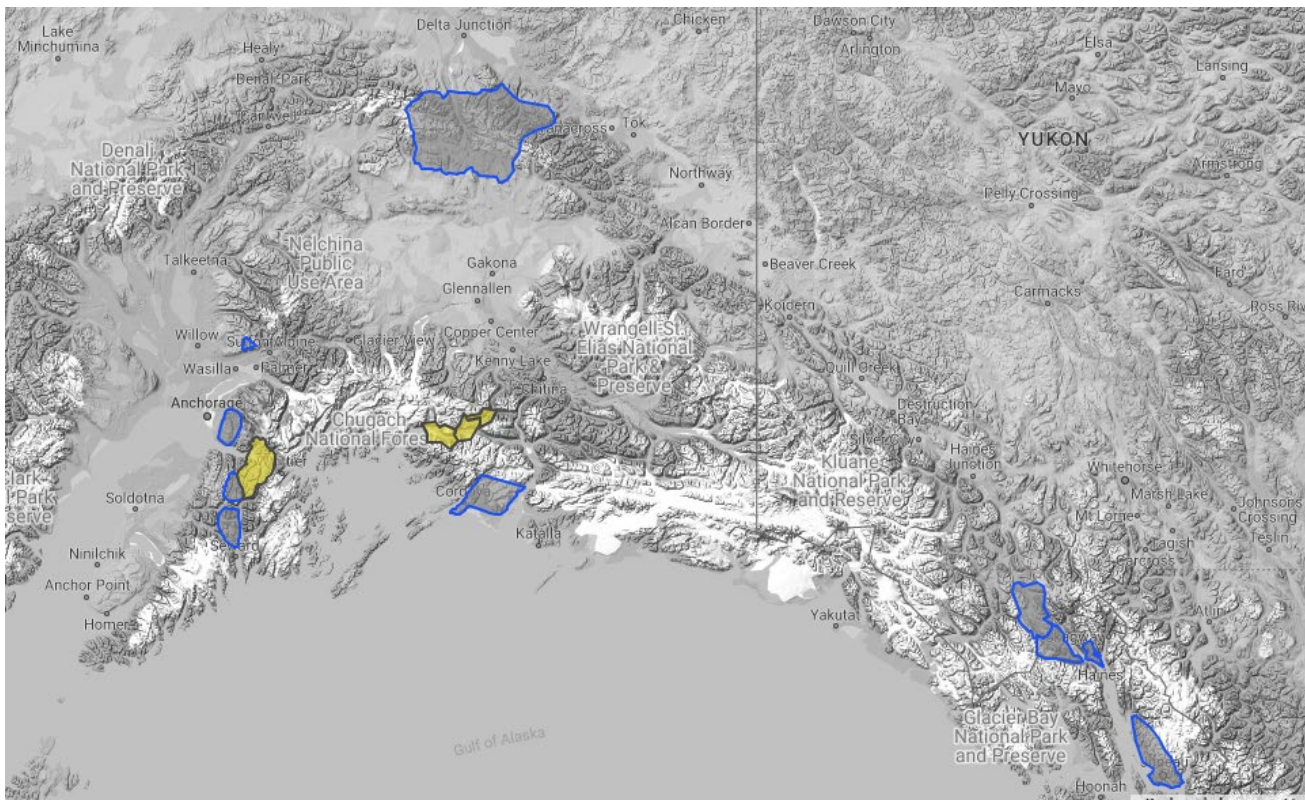
State Employees may sign up for cybersecurity notifications and alerts at

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

Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)-Cybersecurity Services and Tools:

[www.cisa.gov/free-cybersecurity-services-and-tools](http://www.cisa.gov/free-cybersecurity-services-and-tools)

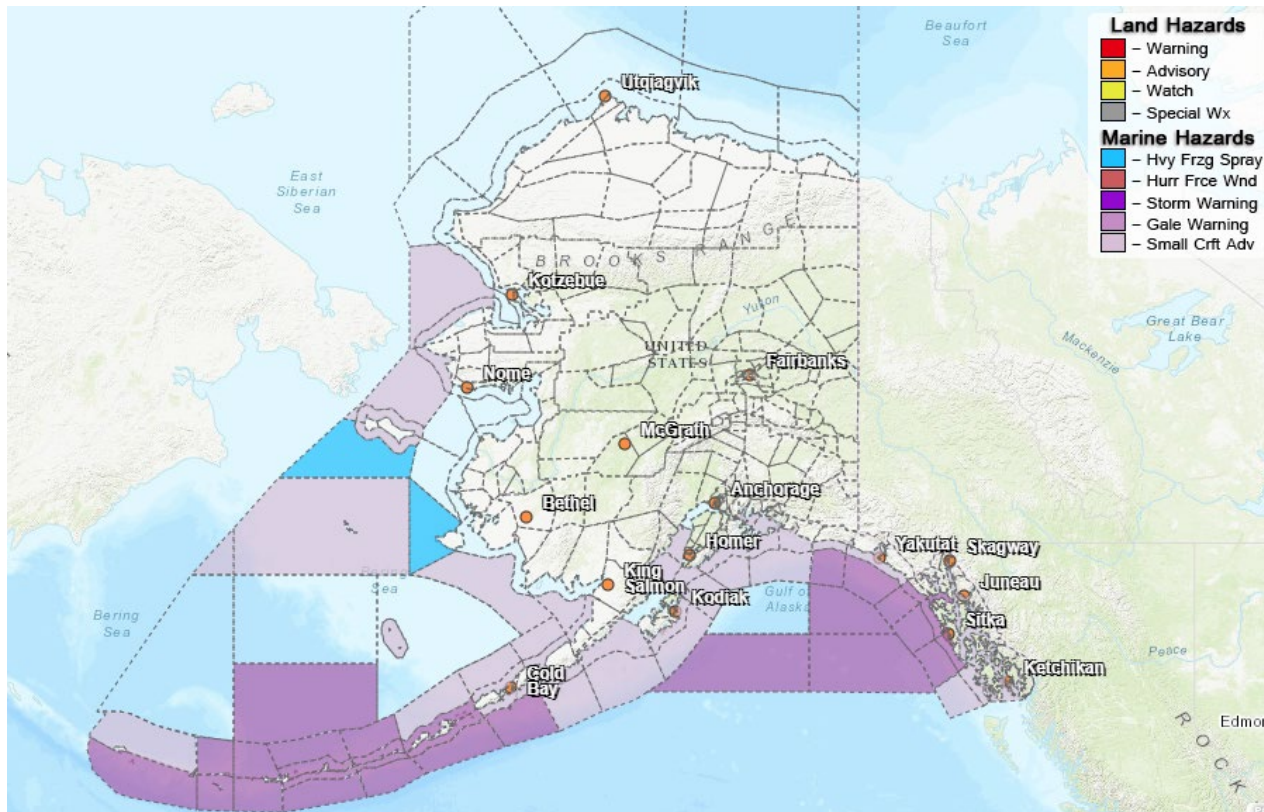
## **Avalanche Hazards:**



Avalanche danger for Cordova is considerable at altitudes above 2,000ft. Moderate at 1000-2000ft.  
**Avalanche danger for Turnagain Pass is moderate at all altitudes.**  
**Avalanche danger for Hatcher Pass is considerable at all altitudes.**  
**Avalanche danger for Valdez moderate at all levels and for specific terrain features that have been loaded by recent wind.**

For more information and the most current avalanche conditions, go to <https://alaskasnow.org>

**Significant Weather:**



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

**The Next Situation Report** will be **December 21, 2023**. 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>.  
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