



ALASKA DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



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<p><u>SEOC Preparedness Level</u></p> <p>Level 2 – Wildland Fires</p>	<p>http://ready.alaska.gov</p>	<p><u>National Terrorism Advisory System:</u></p> <p>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):</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 red.)

Significant Issues:

Statewide Wildland Fire Situation:

Wildland Fire activity in the state has increased again. AICC is at PL 3. There are 144 active fires in the state and 12 staffed with potential for fire challenging weather over the weekend.

Fairbanks Area Fires:

Late last night, Fairbanks North Star Borough contacted SEOC with expanded evacuation GO orders for the Haystack subdivision. This is a larger area than was previously under evacuation and the Borough also put additional areas under SET for potential evacuation due to fire activity. SEOC will be regular communication with the Borough and will support with statewide resources as required.

Lat last night, SEOC was also in contact with the Alaska Incident Management Team, and they intend to deploy the AK IMT 2 GREEN to the assist with fire management in the Fairbanks area.

Anderson Complex:

SEOC deployed a Division Supervisor yesterday to the Anderson Complex to support the Borough Emergency Management. SEOC deployed the Mobile Emergency Operations Center today to the Anderson Complex to provide the Incident Management Team a mobile command post facility as the manage the fire.

Statewide SEOC Fire Support:

SEOC was in contact with Red Cross to support sheltering operations in both Boroughs this morning and will conduct a statewide Mass Care Group call today to provide state level support and awareness.

SEOC resource order to the Alaska National Guard for UH-60 Blackhawk Helicopter support for fire suppression continues.

Yesterday, SEOC resource ordered the Fairbanks National Guard Armory to serve as a mobilization center

for incoming fire crews.

SEOC has established a 2023 Summer Fires incident organization in SEOC and will have staff working over the weekend to support statewide fire operations.

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, 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 has issued an updated National Terrorism Advisory Bulletin. The updated bulletin can be viewed at the below link.

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

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

Travel Alerts and Conditions

- Alaska Department of Transportation - many cameras down due connectivity issues.
- Geist Rd westbound right lane closed for pedestrian foot-bridge repairs. From Johansen Expressway to Fairbanks St.

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:

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

Recent Earthquakes

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

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

Alaska Volcanoes

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

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

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

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

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

Trident 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 Advisory still in effect for Central and Eastern Alaska and for South Central Alaska; and Southeast Alaska until 2 PM AKDT on Thursday August 3, 2023,

advisory will be issued until end of the event.

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

Alaska Wildland 2023 Fire Season:

The Alaska Interagency Coordination Center is at Preparedness Level: 3

Total Fires YTD: 290

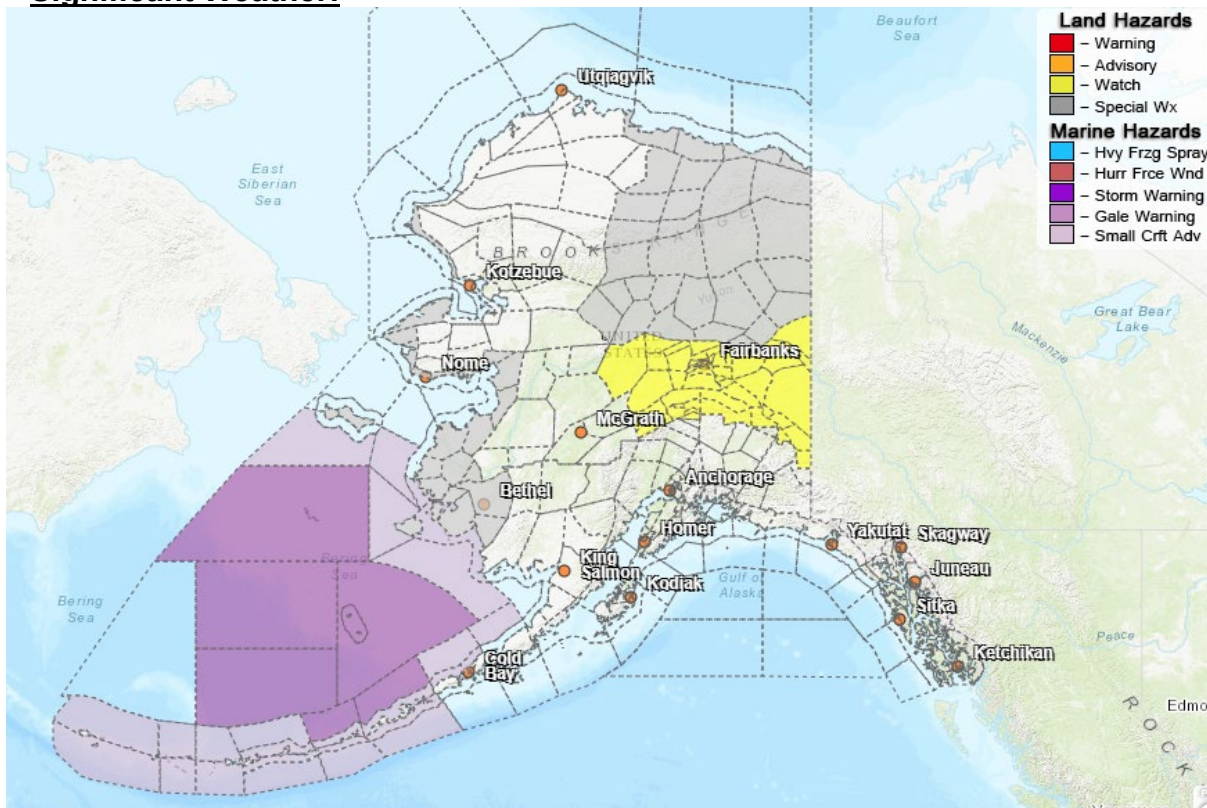
Total Acres: 54,619

There are currently 144 active fire(s) with 5 new and 12 fire(s) staffed.

*** A change of 3,497 acres and 5 new fire starts yesterday.

For more information, go to: <https://fire.ak.blm.gov> or <https://akfireinfo.com/>.

Significant Weather:



Special Weather Statement remains in effect for temperatures expected to climb into the 80s over the Interior and 70s -80s over the eastern North Slope beginning Friday with 90s possible by the weekend across the Yukon Flats and Eastern Interior. In addition, a chinook wind will develop Friday near the Alaska Range continuing into Sunday. These warm and dry south winds will push into the Tanana Valley, as well. Well above seasonal normal temperatures will last into Monday before a slow cool-down

thereafter.

Special Weather Statement in effect for a dry and hot chinook wind will develop across the Brooks Range late Friday into Sunday. Warmth may linger into Monday with high temps across the arctic plain into the 80s and upper 70s along the arctic coast, Saturday, and Sunday.

Fire Weather Watch is in effect for Denali; Central Interior from Saturday afternoon through Sunday evening and for Upper Tanana Valley and the Fortymile Country; Eastern Alaska Range; Deltana and Tanana Flats from Sunday morning through Sunday evening.

Special Weather Statement in effect for Chukchi Sea Coast; Southern Seward Peninsula Coast; Eastern Norton Sound and Nulato Hills; St. Lawrence Island and Bering Strait Coast; Yukon Delta for elevated water levels along the coast this weekend.

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

The Next Situation Report will be **4 August 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>.

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