



**ALASKA DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY &
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<p><u>SEOC Preparedness Level</u> Level 1 – Routine Operations.</p>	<p>http://ready.alaska.gov</p>	<p><u>National Terrorism Advisory System:</u> Read the NTAS Bulletin here</p>
<p>Maritime Security (MARSEC) 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 red.)

Significant Issues:

Chignik Bay – Avalanche and Power Outage

SEOC was contacted on Friday night regarding an avalanche which resulted in a community wide power outage in Chignik Bay. No injuries or missing persons, nor any immediate mass care needs were reported. Alaska Energy Authority (AEA) arranged for a lineman from Dillingham to fly to the community and work with local power plant operators to begin repairs. The lineman was delayed due to weather but was able to fly yesterday.

SEOC remains in close contact with community leaders, DOT&PF, and AEA in support of response and recovery.

Kotzebue – Frozen Water Lines

The city hosted a teleconference on Friday with members from the SEOC, Native Village of Kotzebue, Northwest Arctic Borough, DEC, Representative Baker's office, FEMA, the School District and NANA. SEOC also coordinated with the Red Cross to send portable potable 5-gallon buckets/cubees, which were sent and distributed to the priority homes throughout the community.

SEOC will deploy a staff member to the community this afternoon to help with the continued coordination of the response and recovery.

Quinhagak Power Outage Disaster

The State Individual Assistance application hotline and website are open for Quinhagak residents at <https://www.ready.alaska.gov/Recovery/IA> or by phone at 1 (844) 445-7131. The deadline to apply for State Individual Assistance is March 2, 2024.

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://dggs.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

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

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

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

Gareloi Alert Level: **Advisory** and Aviation Color: **Yellow**

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>

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

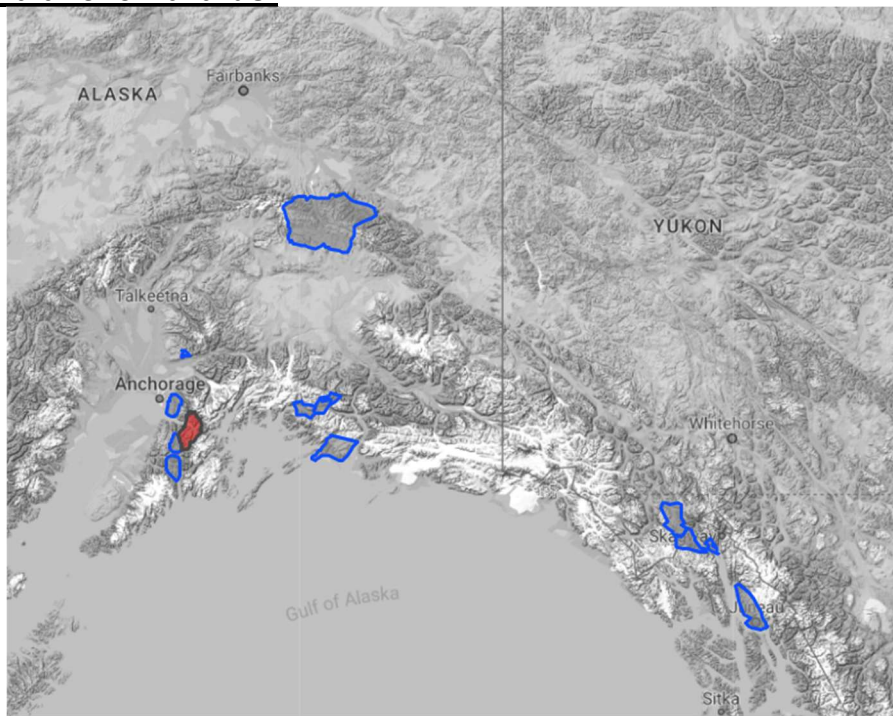
State Employees may sign up for cybersecurity notifications and alerts at

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

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

www.cisa.gov/free-cybersecurity-services-and-tools

Avalanche Hazards:

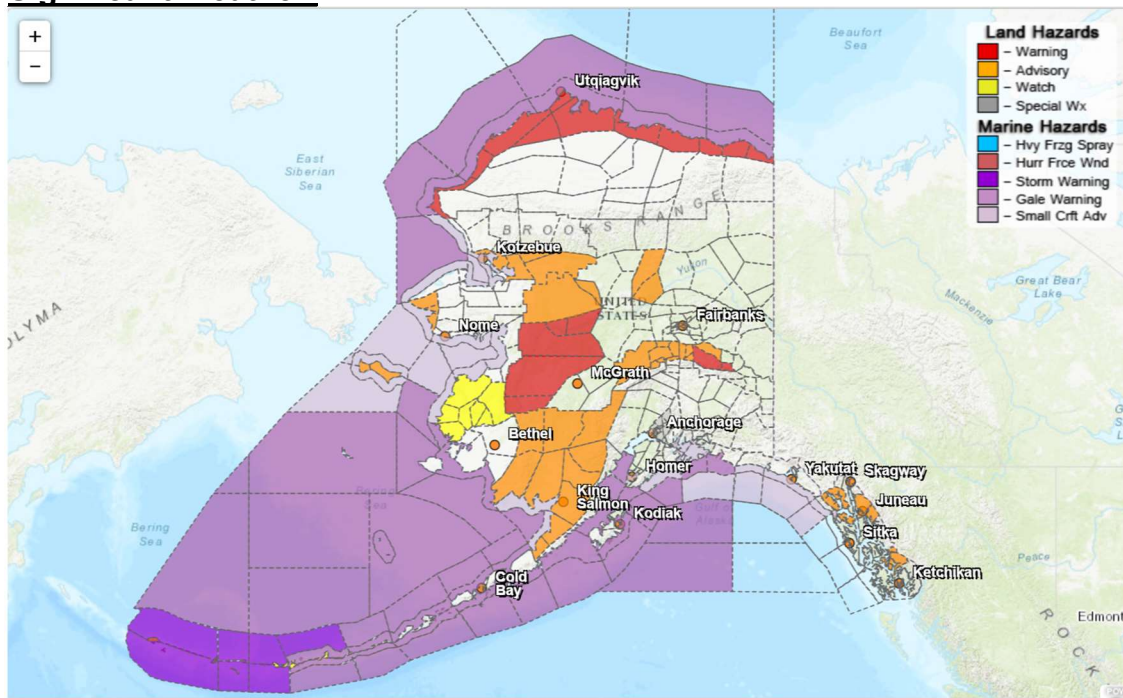


Travel in avalanche terrain is not recommended. Avoid being on or beneath all steep slopes.

- **Turnagain Pass** – High at all elevations today as a warm, wet, and windy storm impacts the region.

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

Significant Weather:



Dense Fog Advisory

- **Glacier Bay; Eastern Chichagof Island; City and Borough of Wrangell and the City and Borough of Juneau** – in effect until 10 AM AKST this morning.

Winter Weather Advisory

- **Bristol Bay** – in effect until 11 AM AKST this morning.

- **Lower Kuskokwim Valley** – in effect until 4 PM AKST this afternoon.
- **Lower Kobuk Valley; Upper Kobuk Valleys; Lower Koyukuk Valley** – in effect until 9 PM AKST this evening.
- **Dalton Highway Summits** – in effect until 6 AM AKST Wednesday morning.
- **Bering Strait Coast; St Lawrence Island** – in effect until 6 AM AKST Thursday morning.

Winter Strom Warning

- **Lower Yukon and Innoko Valleys** - in effect until 6 PM AKST this evening.
- **Middle Yukon Valley** – in effect until 9 PM AKST this evening.

Winter Storm Watch

- **Yukon Delta Coast; Lower Yukon River** – in effect from Wednesday morning through Wednesday afternoon.

Blizzard Warning

- **Western Arctic Coast** – in effect until 6 AM AKST Wednesday.
- **Central Beaufort Sea Coast; Eastern Beaufort Sea Coast** – in effect until 6 PM AKST Wednesday.
- **Northwest Arctic Coast; Northern Arctic Coast** – in effect from 3 PM AKST this afternoon until 6 PM Wednesday.

High Wind Watch

- **Central Aleutians** – in effect from Wednesday afternoon through late Wednesday night.

High Wind Warning

- **Eastern Alaska Range North of Trims Camp** – in effect until Noon AKST Wednesday.
- **Western Aleutians** – in effect from 10 PM AKST tonight until 9 PM Wednesday.

Wind Advisory

- **Delta Junction and the Northern Denali Borough** – in effect until Noon AKST Wednesday.

Special Weather Statement

- **Anchorage; Matanuska Valley** – Strong winds, warm temperatures, and periods of light rain to continue through this evening.

For more information and the most current weather, Watches / Warnings / Advisories go to:

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

The Next Situation Report will be **February 21, 2024**. 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.