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<p><u>SEOC Preparedness Level</u> Level 2 – Heightened Awareness</p>	<p><u>http://ready.alaska.gov</u></p>	<p><u>National Terrorism Advisory System:</u> View this site for the latest NTAS bulletin: <u>You can read the new NTAS Bulletin here.</u></p>
<p><u>Maritime Security (MARSEC)</u> Level:1-Minimum Appropriate Security Measures</p>	<p><u>WHO Post Pandemic:</u> Disease activity at seasonal levels.</p>	<p><u>Alaska Military Installation Force Protection Level:</u> FPCON Bravo</p>

(Significant changes from previous situation reports are in red.)

THREAT LEVEL CHANGES: LEVEL 2 – HEIGHTENED AWARENESS

Statewide Fires: With the ongoing record warm weather, SEOC is monitoring fire activity statewide for support requests from Fire Incident Commands and local communities impacted by fire.

Shovel Creek Fire – Fairbanks Area

The Fairbanks North Star Borough has evacuated over 50 residences and opened a congregate shelter and separate pet shelter. SEOC has deployed Alaska National Guard personnel to serve at evacuation checkpoints. Given the weather and fire, there is potential for further evacuations and loss of property. The Borough has declared a local disaster, and while not currently requesting State assistance, has notified SEOC of an additional 500 residences that may soon be placed on “READY” status for evacuation. The Red Cross is facilitating the FNS Borough and has opened a congregate shelter. As of this morning’s report, Cumulative Shelter Overnight Stays:11, Cumulative meals served: 63, Cumulative snacks served: 265.

Boundary River Fire – Northway

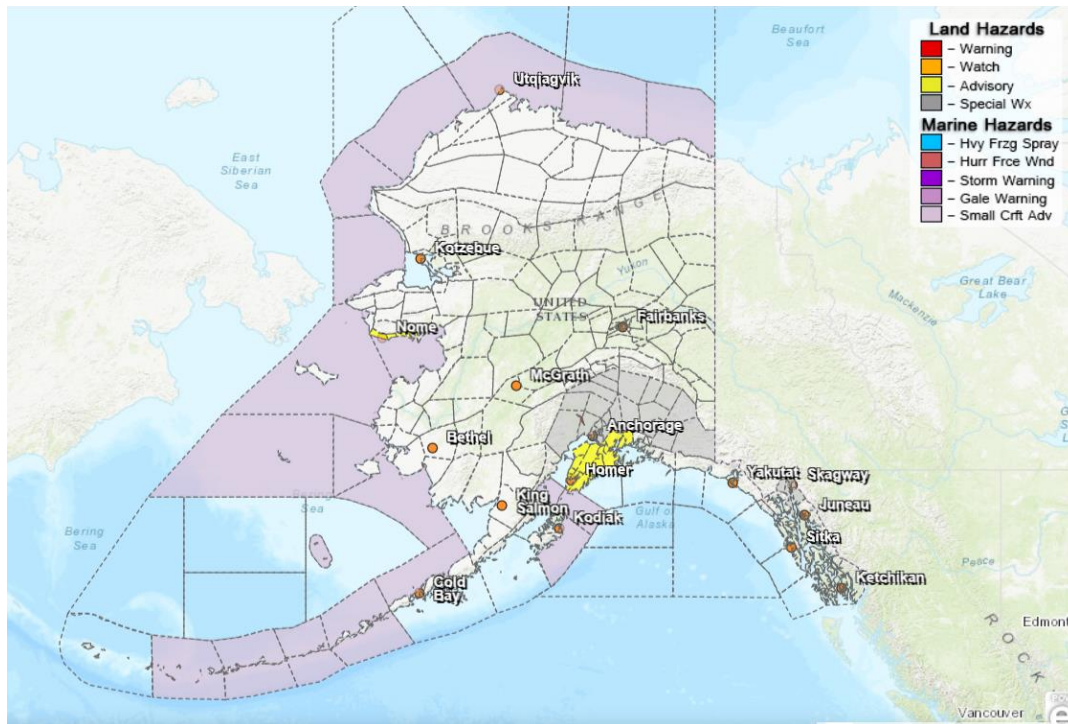
Mobile Emergency Operations Center (MEOC) remains deployed to the Boundary Fire in Northway at the request of the State Division of Forestry. MEOC is serving as the incident command post for this fire and is supporting incident communications and aircraft operations. A SEOC Operations Specialist accompanied the MEOC and will remain on the Fire as operator. The anticipated deployment is two weeks.

Swan Lake Fire – Kenai Peninsula Borough

SEOC remains in regular contact with the Kenai Peninsula Borough Emergency Management and Swan Lake Fire Incident Command.

Anchorage Fire: A 15-acre wildland fire occurred in the Elmore Road and MLK Jr. area around 4:45 P.M. Multiple road closures and precautionary evacuations were initiated. Approximately 21 children and 14 adults were in evacuation transport when the evacuation was lifted. Fire Evacuations canceled. No structures were lost and no casualties. At request of MOA and Alaska State Division of Forestry (DOF), SEOC approved resource request for two Alaska National Guard Blackhawks for bucket work on the MLK Fire. Initial suppression efforts were successful and the fire is currently 25.2 acres and 30% contained.

Significant Weather



The Southern Seward Peninsula Coast including Nome, White Mountain, and Golovin, there is a High Surf Advisory that remains in effect until 6 pm akdt Wednesday.

Dense smoke advisory remains in effect until July 4, 01:00 PM AKDT 1 pm akdt from the Sterling and Seward highway junction South to Seward.

Western Kenai Peninsula Including the cities of Kenai, Soldotna, Homer, and Cooper Landing and Western Prince William Sound, Dense smoke advisory remains in effect until 1 pm akdt Thursday.

There is a Special Weather Statement for South Central Alaska including the Kenai Peninsula for Elevated water conditions that will persist. High river conditions are expected to continue and/or rise into Action Stage and Bankfull conditions through the weekend. A Flood Warning has been issued for the Yentna River at Fish Creek. Please see the Flood Warning for that area for further details.

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

2019 Fire Season

The Alaska Interagency Coordination Center, (AICC) is at Preparedness Level 4.

Wildland fire totals for 2019:

- Total Fires = 369
- Total Acres = 655,516.2

There are currently 122 active fires with 16 fires currently staffed.

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

Air Quality Index (AQI) Advisories

Active advisories/episodes are in effect for Central and Eastern Interior, Southcentral.

For the most up to date Air Quality Index Advisories:

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

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

The Alaska DHSS website is located at <http://dhss.alaska.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

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/>

Recent Earthquakes

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

National Tsunami Warning Center: <http://ntwc.arh.noaa.gov/>

Travel Alerts and Conditions

For current driving conditions dial 511 or link to <http://511.alaska.gov/>

Alaska Volcanoes

Cleveland Alert Level: Advisory and Aviation Color Code: Yellow

Great Sitkin Alert Level: Advisory and Aviation Color Code: Yellow

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

Alaska Cyber Security Information

State Employees may sign up for cyber security notifications and alerts at

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

The Next Situation Report: will be 8 July 2019 at 8:00 am. 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.