

ALASKA DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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Protection Level: FPCON Bravo

Maritime Security (MARSEC) Level:1-Minimum Appropriate	WHO Post Pandemic:	Alaska Military Installation Force
SEOC Preparedness Level Level 1 – Routine Operations	http://ready.alaska.gov	National Terrorism Advisory System: View this site for the latest NTAS bulletin: You can read the new NTAS Bulletin here.
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(Significant changes from previous situation reports are in red.)

Disease activity at seasonal levels.

THREAT LEVEL CHANGES: SEOC LEVEL 1 – ROUTINE OPERATIONS

West Coast Storm

Security Measures

Over the weekend, the SEOC Duty Officer and the National Weather Service closely monitored the progress and impact of a fast-moving coastal sea storm as it moved northward along the West Coast of Alaska. It appears the storm's impact was primarily to the Yukon Delta and Norton Sound, but some storm-related impacts were reported as far north as Kotzebue. Heavy rainfall, combined with heavy surf and storm surges of 6 – 8 feet, resulted in widespread flooding of coastal and low-lying areas and some roads in several communities along the Norton Sound coast and Yukon Delta. Further to the east, water was reported over the Dalton Highway near Coldfoot. Yesterday, the SEOC contacted the NWS, Alaska Pacific River Forecast Center, Division of Geological and Geophysical Surveys Coastal Hazards Program Manager, as well as several communities on the West Coast. Other than the flooding, the most significant impacts of the storm were wave erosion of coastal protection berms in Shaktoolik, and culvert washouts along the Nome – Council and Nome – Teller roads. The Nome roads have since been repaired. One home was also flooded in Stebbins. The SEOC has not received reports of widespread or significant damage to homes or infrastructure, or community requests for state assistance, at this time.

Statewide Fires:

The SEOC has returned to Level 1 – Routine Operations, with the decline in fire resource requests and reduction in Alaska's fire Planning level to 2.

Significant Weather:



There is a flood watch through late tonight for the high flood potential in the Alaska Range from Denali Park to Rainy Pass. Heavy rain on the north side of the Alaska Range from Denali Park to just north of Rainy Pass will continue through Tuesday morning. Since Friday, this area has received 2-4 inches of rain, with 3-7 inches in Denali Park. An additional 1 inch of rain is expected through this morning. Rivers on the north side of the Alaska Range from Denali Park to just north of Rainy Pass are near bank full, with flooding possible along rivers between now and this evening. Rivers draining the north side of the Alaska Range will remain high into the weekend. Mud and rock slides will be likely through Tuesday in the Alaska Range between Denali Park and Rainy Pass. The NWS has also a special weather statement for high water on Interior Rivers this week. There is a Dense Fog Advisory in effect until 10 AM today for the Southern Inner Channels, including Ketchikan and Metlakatla.

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 2.

Wildland fire totals for 2019:

- Total Fires = 614
- Total Acres = 2,433,279.8. There are currently 238 active fires with 11 fires currently staffed.

Current fire information is at https://akfireinfo.com/

Air Quality Index (AQI) Advisories

No active advisories/episodes are currently in effect.

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

There is a lane restriction on the Dalton Highway from Milepost 142 to Milepost 145 due to water flowing across the road. The road is down to one lane due to significant shoulder damage.

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

Alaska Volcanoes

Veniaminof Alert Level: Advisory and Aviation Color Code: Yellow

Cleveland Alert Level: Advisory and Aviation Color Code: Yellow

Shishaldin Alert Level: Advisory and Aviation Color Code: Orange.

Semisopochnoi Alert Level: Advisory and Aviation Color Code: Orange

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

<u>The Next Situation Report:</u> will be 07 August 2019 at 8:00 am. A significant change in the situation or the threat level will prompt an interim report.

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