



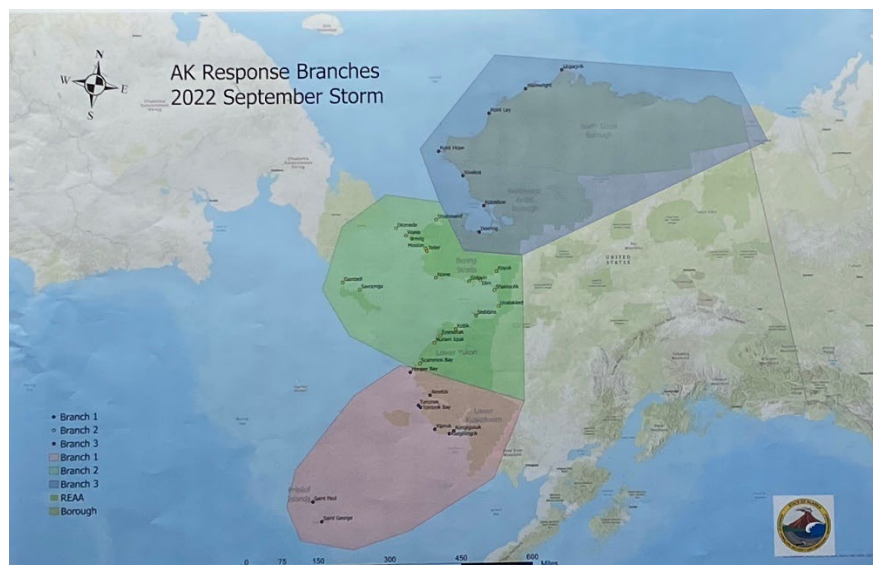
State Emergency Operations Center

2022 September Winter Storm

Incident Situation Report

Date: September 20, 2022 Time: 1600 hrs.

SEOC Preparedness Level 3



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State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) Activated to Level 3

Incident Overview

Timeline of Significant Events:

17 September 2022, Governor Mike Dunleavy issued a disaster declaration for the 2022 September storm currently impacting the west coast of Alaska.

Significant Operations

SEOC is actively engaged with multiple state, federal, non-profit, volunteer, faith-based, private-sector, regional tribal, and native corporations in support of local community incident commands responding to the Typhoon Merbok storm impacts.

Below are some highlights of the full range of responses that are ongoing to help storm survivors.

Overall Response Operations:

Alaska National Guard has put over 120 personnel from the National Guard, Alaska State Defense Force, and Alaska Naval Militia on orders for disaster response and is deploying them by military aircraft to Branch I (Bethel) and Branch II (Nome). They will begin flying to smaller communities in need tomorrow (9/21/2022) to assist. The first deployments scheduled for tomorrow morning are to Golovin and Chevak. They are deploying with materials for immediate emergency residential repair and storm debris cleanup.

A SEOC Field Operations Section Chief has been flying to impacted communities over the last 48 hours to conduct disaster emergency response surveys. He has visited Bethel, Hooper Bay, Scammon Bay, Nome, and Newtok to meet with local Incident Command and provide information for response operations. He will continue his survey flights tomorrow through the impact area.

SEOC deployed a Branch Director to Branch I, based out of Bethel, to coordinate Branch I disaster response operations. The Branch Director is accompanied by a

Red Cross team and will fly to communities in need to support shelter operations and immediate needs.

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is evaluating community water systems in the storm impact area and is publishing boil water notices as appropriate.

Alaska Division of Geological and Geophysical Surveys is in the storm impact area collecting high-water marks to record and calibrate the storms historical impact.

Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities has reopened all airports in the storm impact area and is actively working to repair roads and state facilities.

United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) have checked the Port in Nome and there are no issues. USACE Engineers are evaluating the Nome Seawall and Shismaref Bank Protection project. USACE checked the Nome Harbor Causeway Bridge and determined it be safe for passenger traffic but some damage was observed to the rock breakwaters and the entrance channel may be shoaled. USACE plans to conduct surveys of the Deering Bank Stabilization, Utqiagvik Coastal Erosion Project, St. Paul Harbor, and Nome/Solomon Dredging project.

Branch I:

- World Central Kitchen delivered 500 lbs. of sandwiches and fresh fruit to Hooper Bay, and sandwiches, fresh fruit, and water to Golovin.
- Coastal Village Relief Fund is sending two pallets of water and one pallet dining supplies to Hooper Bay
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- Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation has sent emergency meals and clean-up supplies to multiple villages in the storm impact area.

Branch II:

- World Central Kitchen delivered 500 lbs. of sandwiches and fresh fruit BSNC sent generators to Unalakleet to support water supply.
- SEOC deployed a Branch Director to Branch II, based out of Nome, to coordinate Branch II disaster response operations. The Branch Director will fly in a dedicated response aircraft to communities in need to support shelter operations and immediate life-sustaining work.

Weekly Community Call-in Information:

SEOC Divisions and National Weather Service Reports

SEOC Operations Brief



Dial in with your phone: 1-800-315-6338, access code 71000#



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storm@ready.alaska.gov

Lifeline Status

 <p>Alaska Overall</p>	      
<p>Impacted Area</p>	      

	<p>Food, Water, and Shelter</p>	
	 <p>Food</p>	<p>Branch I:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chevak: All subsistence food stores damaged • Hooper Bay: Calista requested food • Newtok “Tom’s” store flooded <p>Branch II:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Golovin: All stores flooded. <p>Branch III:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No reported food concerns.

	 <p style="text-align: center;">Water</p>	<p>Branch I:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hooper Bay has requested water • DEC has issued Boil Water Notices for the following communities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chevak, Kongiganak, Kwigillingok, Nunam Iqua, Platinum, Saint George, Scammon Bay <p>Branch II:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elim, Golovin, Stebbins, Unalakleet all reporting significant water concerns • DEC has issued Boil Water Notices for the following communities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Buckland, Elim, Diomede, Gambell, Golovin, Koyuk, Teller, Unalakleet <p>Branch III:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No reported water concerns.
	<p style="text-align: center;">Shelter</p> 	<p>Branch I:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hooper Bay: 20 individuals sheltered, 300 displaced • Chevak: 45 displaced <p>Branch II:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three shelters open: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Golovin: 8 individuals ○ Nome: 8 individuals ○ Stebbins: 8 individuals <p>Branch III:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently, no shelters reported in operation.



Health and Medical



Medical Care

Branch I:

- No issues reported.

Branch II:

- Shaktoolik reports that the medical clinic is damaged.

Branch III:

- No issues reported.



Energy (Power, Fuel)



Power

Branch I:

- Hooper Bay power on at airport, including runway lights
- Chevak, power restored (improved from 9/19)

Branch II:

- Golovin power plant restored. All but downtown has power.

Branch III:

- No reported power disruptions.



Communications



Communications Infrastructure

Branch I:

- Chevak FM radio tower “down”.

Branch II:

- No reported impacts.

Branch III:

- No reported impacts.



Transportation



Aviation

Branch I:




- Hooper Bay power grid currently damaged, airfield lighting inoperative.
- Golovin power grid currently damaged, airfield lighting inoperative.

Branch II:

- Shaktoolik airfield still has 6 to 8 sequential lights damaged and a NOTOM has been issued. Expect parts with return to service tomorrow.

Branch III:

- No reported impacts.

	 <p>Roadways</p>	<p>Branch I:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hooper Bay bridge to evac site damaged. • Scammon Bay reports that docks are damaged and boat harbor has eroded. <p>Branch II:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nome-to-Council road breached at mile post 25 <p>Branch III:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No reported impacts
 <p>Hazardous Materials</p>		
	 <p>Facilities</p>	<p>Branch I:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chevak has fuel spills with strong odor of fuel in the community • Scammon Bay pumping out their tanks • Newtok concerned about damaged fuel storage tanks and spillage. <p>Branch II:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Berm at Teller for power plant washed away. <p>Branch III:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No reported issues.

Helpful Links

Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHSEM)

<http://ready.alaska.gov/>

National Weather Service: Alaska Forecast Center

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

Alaska DEC Boil Water Notice website

<https://gis.data.alaska.gov/maps/a624ff8d70fd47a3b03ab3d38ccf66a3/explore?location=54.825885%2C-147.414500%2C3.83>