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<p><b><u>SEOC Preparedness Level</u></b>  Level 1 – Routine Operations.</p>	<p><a href="http://ready.alaska.gov">http://ready.alaska.gov</a></p>	<p><b><u>National Terrorism Advisory System:</u></b>  <a href="#">Read the NTAS Bulletin here</a></p>
<p><a href="#">Maritime Security (MARSEC)</a> Level: 1- Minimum Appropriate Security Measures</p>	<p><b>WHO Novel Coronavirus Pandemic (COVID-19):</b> <a href="#">2019 Novel Coronavirus</a></p>	<p><b><u>Alaska Military Installation Force Protection Level:</u></b> FPCON Bravo</p>

(Significant changes from previous situation reports are red.)

**Significant Issues:**

**Kotzebue – Frozen Water Lines**

SEOC continues to work with the City of Kotzebue, Native Village of Kotzebue, and the Northwest Arctic Borough regarding the frozen water line situation. The local contractor and City Public Works staff continue to thaw frozen sections of the water lines while also identifying possible alternative bulk water delivery options in partnership with the AKVOADs and the SEOC.

**Mertarvik – Frozen Water Lines**

SEOC continues to support the community of Mertarvik and the efforts in restoring water lines damaged during an extended power outage. Bottled water and firewood, generously sourced by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and delivered by Fox Air, have been provided to the community with additional flights of bottled water and firewood still planned. The initial supplies were distributed throughout the community. SEOC will continue to offer support through the aid of state and federal agencies, and VOAD partners.

**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: **Orange**

**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**

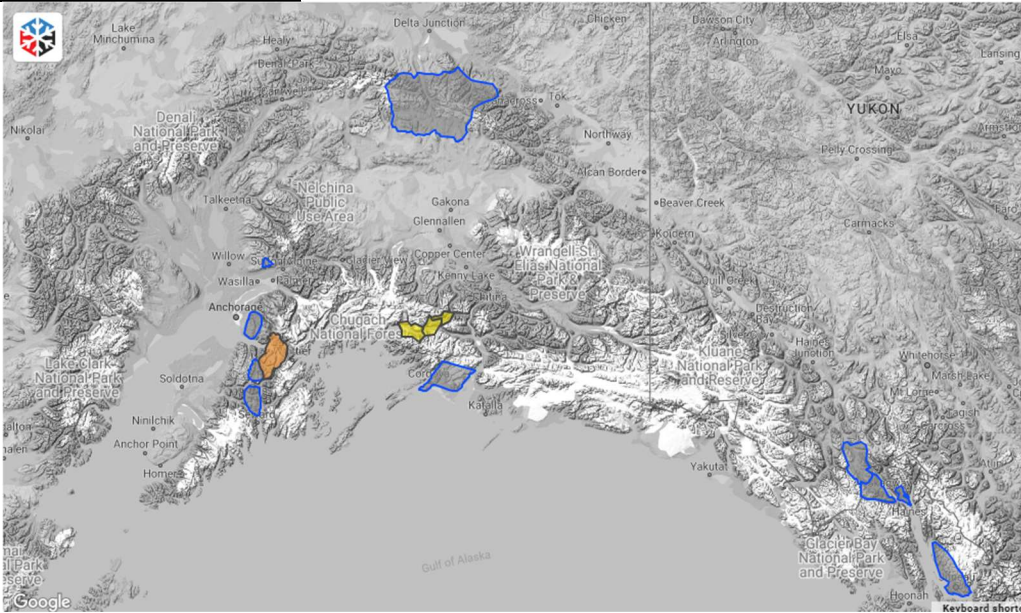
State Employees may sign up for cybersecurity notifications and alerts at

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

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

[www.cisa.gov/free-cybersecurity-services-and-tools](http://www.cisa.gov/free-cybersecurity-services-and-tools)

## Avalanche Hazards:

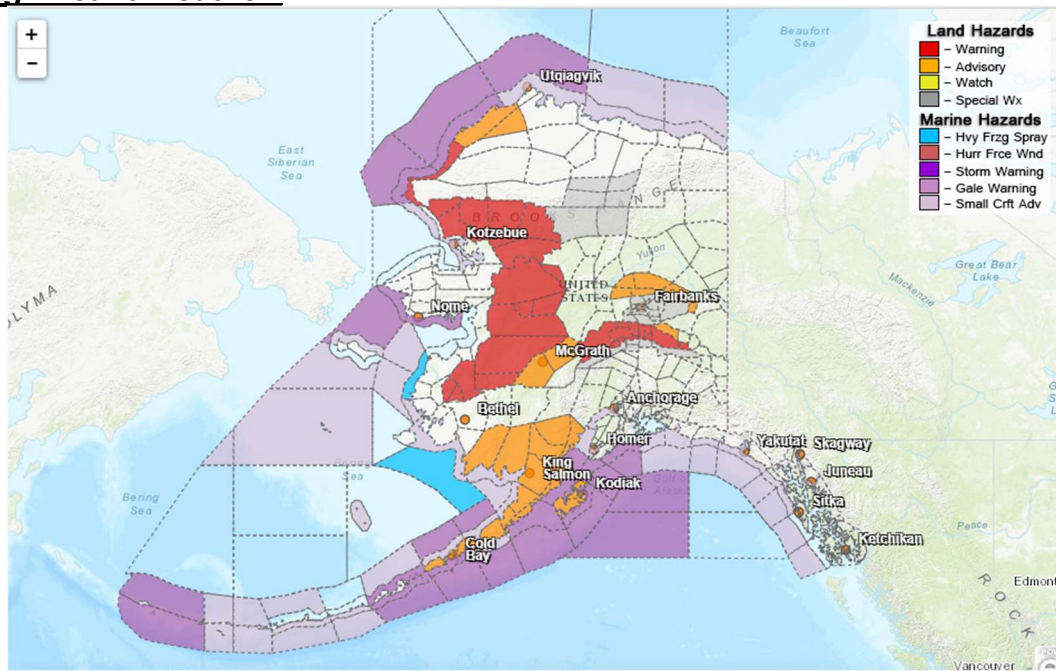


**Travel in avalanche terrain is not recommended. Avoid being on or beneath all steep slopes.**

- **Turnagain Pass** – Considerable at elevations.
- **Valdez** – Moderate at all elevations.

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

## Significant Weather:



### Special Weather Statement

- **South Slopes of The Central Brooks Range and Central Brooks Range** – in effect today, strong southerly winds across the Brooks Range with gusts upwards of 50 mph through mountain passes and along the Dalton Hwy. Blowing and drifting snow may result in reduced visibility at times creating hazardous travel conditions.

- **White Mountains and High Terrain South of the Yukon River; Delta Junction; Upper Chena River Valley; Tanana Flats; Eielson AFB and Salcha; Goldstream Valley and Nenana Hills; Chatanika River Valley; Two Rivers; Fairbanks Metro Area; Nenana; Northern Denali Borough; Southern Denali Borough; Eastern Alaska Range North of Trims Camp; Eastern Alaska Range South of Trims Camp** – temperatures near freezing the next several days over the interior along with strong winds and mixed precipitation.

#### **Winter Storm Warning**

- **South Slopes of the Western Brooks Range; Noatak Valley; Upper Kobuk Valleys; Lower Koyukuk Valley; Middle Yukon Valley, Lower Yukon and Innoko Valleys, and Western Arctic Coast** – in effect from 3pm this afternoon.
- **Lower Yukon River** – in effect from 3pm today until 3am AKST Friday.

#### **Winter Weather Advisory**

- **Bristol Bay and the Alaska Peninsula** – in effect until 9pm AKST Thursday.
- **Upper Kuskokwim Valley** – in effect until Noon AKST today.
- **Northwest Arctic Coast** – in effect until 3pm AKST this afternoon.
- **Kodiak Island** – in effect until 9pm AKST tonight for Chignik.

#### **High Wind Warning**

- **Eastern Alaska Range North of Trims Camp, Northern Denali Borough** – in effect until 9am AKST Friday.
- **Yukon Delta Coast; Lower Yukon River** – until 9pm this evening.

#### **Wind Advisory**

- **White Mountains and High Terrain South of the Yukon River** – in effect until 3pm AKST this afternoon.
- **Delta Junction** – in effect from noon today until 9am AKST Friday.

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 15, 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](mailto:seoc@alaska.gov).