

# ALASKA DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



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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.
Maritime Security (MARSEC) Level:1-Minimum Appropriate Security Measures	WHO Post Pandemic:  Disease activity at seasonal levels.	Alaska Military Installation Force Protection Level: FPCON Bravo

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

**THREAT LEVEL CHANGES:** SEOC LEVEL 1 – ROUTINE OPERATIONS

<u>Significant Issues:</u> Yesterday, the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC) reported that three communities: St. Michel, Noatak, and Selawik, were all experiencing water or wastewater issues due to freeze-ups from the recent extreme cold temperatures. ANTHC Rural Utility Management Services is tracking all three issues, and advising the local utilities as necessary. There are no requests for assistance at this time. By noon, ANTHC had resolved the water issue in Noatak. The SEOC will closely monitor these restoration efforts over the next few days.

Yesterday, the Mayor of Savoonga reported 16 homes had been without power for a week due to a bad storm. He said the power plant is 'bringing fuel or power" to the homes to help support their generators. The Alaska Village Electric Cooperative (AVEC) is working with the community to conduct repairs.

The SEOC is continuing to evaluate a request for disaster assistance from the Kenai Peninsula Borough (KPB) due to recent storm damages and power outages. DOT is also compiling response and repair costs for damage to several roads on the Kenai Peninsula.

The SEOC continues to monitor the response and recovery efforts underway for the flooding along the Willow Creek in the Matanuska Susitna Borough (MSB). MSB has been assisting residents needing to leave and/or re-renter their homes. MSB Operations and Maintenance Department is assessing mechanical solutions to the flooding.

## **Travel Alerts and Conditions**

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

## **Recent Earthquakes**

USGS Earthquake Information: <a href="http://earthquake.usgs.gov/">http://earthquake.usgs.gov/</a>
National Tsunami Warning Center: <a href="http://ntwc.arh.noaa.gov/">http://earthquake.usgs.gov/</a>

#### **Alaska Volcanoes**

Cleveland Alert Level: Advisory and Aviation Color Code: Yellow

Pavlof Alert Level: Advisory and Aviation Color Code: Yellow

Shishaldin Alert Level: WATCH and Aviation Color Code: Orange

Semisopochnoi Alert Level: Advisory and Aviation Color Code: Orange

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

## Air Quality Index (AQI) Advisories

There are currently no active advisories in effect.

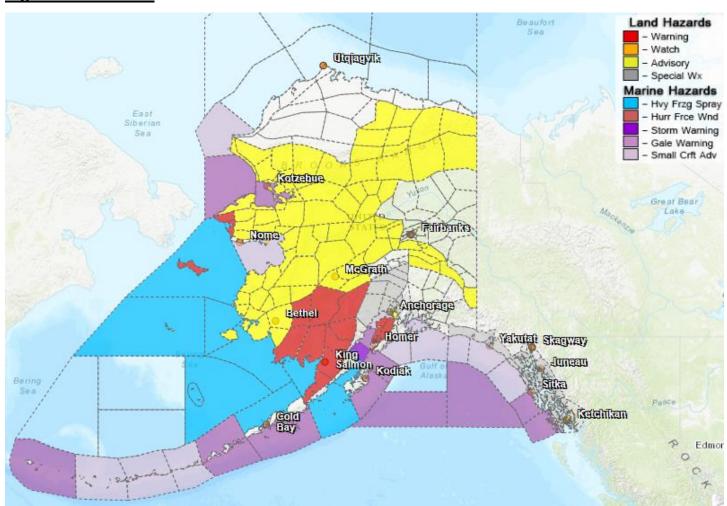
For the most up to date Air Quality Index Advisories:

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

### Significant Weather:



A special weather statement has been issued regarding rain showers changing to snow showers tonight. The following areas can expect between one to six inches across the region: Cape Decision to Salisbury Sound Coastal Area, Cape Fairweather to Cape Suckling Coastal Area, Dixon Entrance to Cape Decision Coastal Area, Eastern Baranof Island and Southern Admiralty Island, Eastern Chicagof Island, Glacier Bay, Inner Channels form Kupreanof Island to Etolin Island, Juneau Borough and Northern Admiralty Island, Salisbury Sound to Cape Fairweather Coastal Area, and the Southern Inner Channels.

A special weather statement has been issued regarding heavy snow throughout the Cook Inlet region. Anchorage, Matanuska Valley, Susitna Valley, and the western Kenai Peninsula can expect temperatures to plummet rapidly and blizzard conditions in some areas.

A winter storm warning is in effect for the Lower Kuskokwim Valley and Bristol Bay.

A wind chill advisory is in effect for the Kuskokwim Delta, Lower Kobuk and Noatak Valleys, Baldwin Peninsula and Selawik Valley, Northern and Interior Seward Peninsula, Yukon Delta, and the Upper Kobuk and Noatak Valleys.

A blizzard warning is in effect for the Western Kenai Peninsula, St. Lawrence Island, and the Bering Strait Coast.

A flood advisory is in effect for the Southern Inner Channels and the Susitna Valley.

A winter weather advisory is in effect for the Central Interior, Deltana and Tanana Flats, Eastern Alaska Range, Upper Koyukuk Valley, Southeastern Brooks Range, Anchorage, Northeastern Brooks Range, Chukchi Sea Coast, Eastern Norton Sound and Nulato Hills, Yukon Valley, Lower Koyukuk and Middle Yukon Valleys, and the Upper Kuskokwim Valley.

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

#### **Avalanche**

Considerable (3) Avalanche Conditions exist for Turnagain Pass. Dangerous avalanche conditions exist. Careful snowpack evaluation, cautious route-finding and conservative decision-making is essential.

The Chugach National Forest Avalanche Information Center page is located at <a href="https://www.cnfaic.org/">https://www.cnfaic.org/</a>

#### **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/

#### **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 2 January 2020 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 <a href="https://ready.alaska.gov/sitrep">https://ready.alaska.gov/sitrep</a>. To register for email distribution, go to <a href="https://list.state.ak.us/mailman/listinfo/dhsem.situation.report">https://list.state.ak.us/mailman/listinfo/dhsem.situation.report</a>. Direct questions regarding this report to the SEOC at 907-428-7100 or <a href="mailto:seoc@alaska.gov">seoc@alaska.gov</a>.