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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**  
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<p><b><u>SEOC Preparedness Level</u></b> Level 2 – Heightened Awareness</p>	<p align="center"><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:**

**Riverwatch:**

**Upper Yukon Division:** Yesterday Division flew Yukon River from Charley River to Eagle. Landed in Eagle. Solid ice conditions at Nations Creek merited a stay in Eagle to monitor conditions and provide regular community updates. Division met in Eagle with National Park Rangers and briefed them on conditions and discussed contingency flood operations. Flight crew departed Eagle and flew upriver to 40-mile then along Yukon and returned to Fairbanks.

Division intends to fly the Yukon today to Birch Creek, Fort Yukon, and Circle to brief communities on conditions. Ice jam near Manley Hot Springs has released and water levels are dropping. Main breakup front is below Fort Reliance as the main push of water and ice is still working its way down from Dawson. Division will conduct a media interview today with Fort Yukon radio KZPA.

Special Weather Statement for high water near Eagle remains in effect. Division will continue operations through the weekend.

**Kuskokwim Division:** A research scientist from the Canadian Riverwatch Team, out of the University of Saskatchewan, accompanied the Division on flights yesterday. Yesterday Division flew the Kuskokwim from Bethel to beyond Stony River to Swift River 10 miles past Stony, and then back to Stony. Division landed in Stony River and briefed at the community at the Tribal Building and State Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT/PF) personnel on conditions.

Division then flew to Crooked Creek and briefed the Tribal Council there on conditions. Division then flew to the mouth of the Johnson River and back to Bethel. Division is providing a daily morning brief on KYUK Radio Bethel.

Overnight the river broke up at Stony River and moved out with the areas below Sleetmute virtually clear of ice. Water levels decreased 5'-7' overnight in Aniak. A Flood Watch remains in effect but is being reevaluated based on overnight reports. If weather permits, Division intends to fly to Aniak, Tuluksak, and Kwethluk to brief on river conditions.

Division has meetings planned today with Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corporation, Alaska Association of Village Council Presidents, and volunteer agencies in Bethel to brief on river conditions and discuss contingency operations. Division will continue operations through the weekend.

**Cooper River Division:** SEOC remained in contact with Glennallen area Incident Command and DOT/PF yesterday. Water rose to within the basement of the community library and Legislative Information Office basements yesterday afternoon, but pumping operations were keeping pace to prevent damage.

A DOT/PF pump, culvert equipment and crew arrived on scene and began pumping and diverting water to improve conditions. Last night the Glenn Highway was closed for an hour to install water diversion equipment and then reopened. DOT/PF worked through the night to address flood concerns in the area.

Flood Watch remains in effect through Monday evening for the entire Copper River basin and a Flood Advisory is in effect until Monday for the Glennallen area. SEOC will remain in regular contact with Glennallen Incident Command today and through the weekend.

### **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://dgggs.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**

**Great Sitkin** Alert Level: **Watch** and Aviation Color Code: **Orange**  
**Shishaldin** Alert Level: **Advisory** and Aviation Color Code: **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-tool](http://www.cisa.gov/free-cybersecurity-services-and-tool)

## Alaska Wildland 2024 Fire Season:

The Alaska Interagency Coordination Center is at Preparedness Level: 1

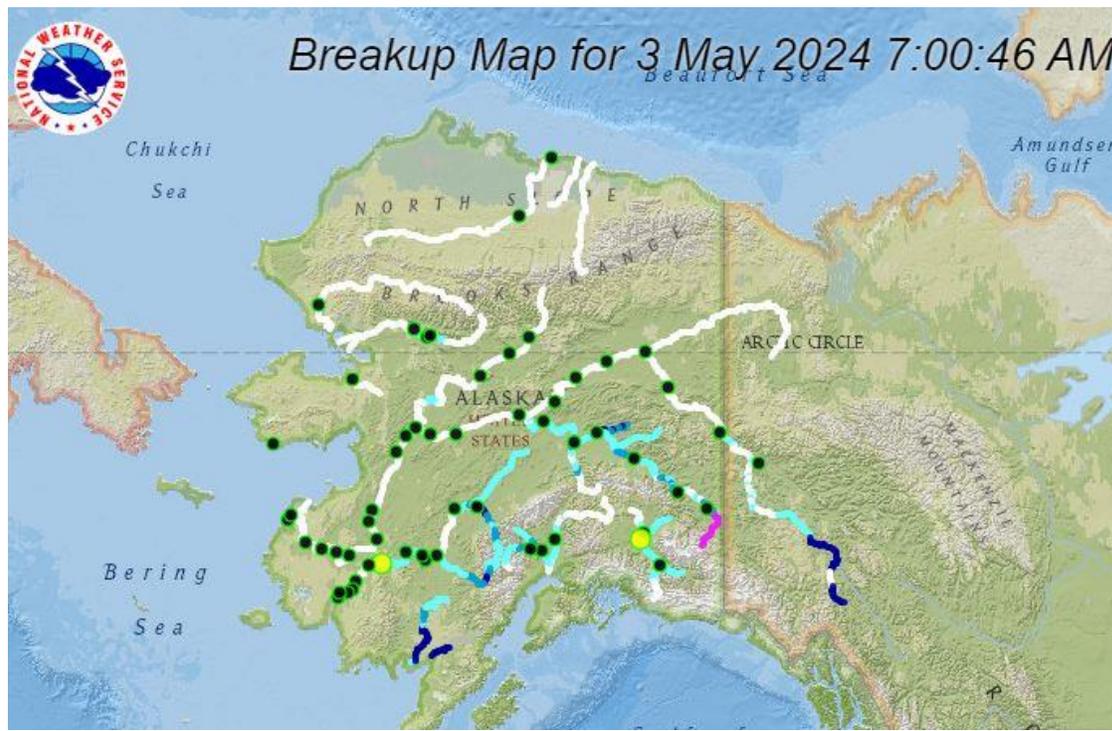
Total Fires YTD: 40

Total Acres: 34

There are currently 9 active fire(s) with 1 new and 0 fires staffed.

For more information, go to <https://fire.ak.blm.gov/> or <https://akfireinfo.com/>

## Riverwatch Breakup Outlook:



This map allows you to view the breakup status of major rivers. Click a site for more breakup information.

- River Status**
- Unknown
  - Mostly Ice
  - Some Open
  - Mostly Open
  - Open
  - Flood Advisory
  - Flood Watch
  - Flood Warning
- Community Status**
- No Warning
  - Flood Advisory
  - Flood Watch
  - Flood Warning

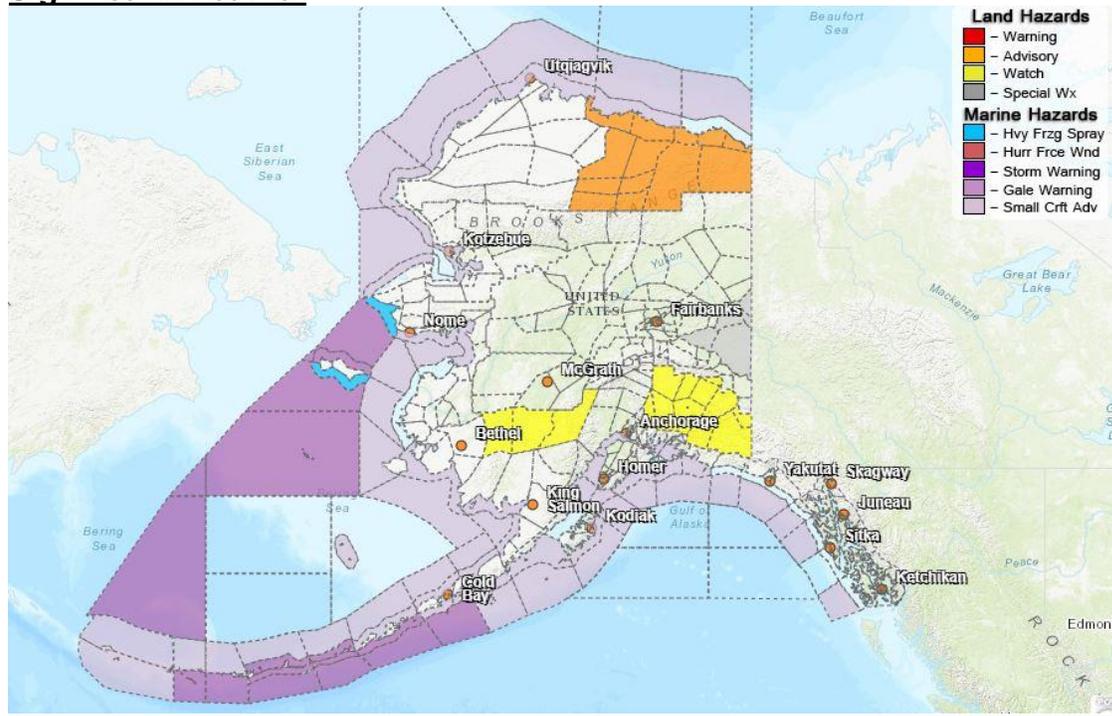
**Flood Advisory**  
Issued when flooding is imminent or occurring, generally within the next 1 to 3 hours, but is not expected to substantially threaten life and property.

**Flood Watch**  
Issued when there is the possibility of widespread general flooding over an area within the next 36 hours.

**Flood Warning for River Fcst Point**  
Issued when a river level has exceeded, or is forecast to exceed, moderate or major flood stage.

View Recent River notes and updates at: [Alaska-Pacific RFC \(weather.gov\)](http://Alaska-Pacific RFC (weather.gov))

## Significant Weather



### Flood Watch:

**Copper River Basin** – Flood Watch for snowmelt continues in effect through Monday evening across the Copper River Basin and tributaries.

**Glenallen** – Flood Advisory in effect until noon Monday.

**Lower Kuskokwim Valley** – Flood Watch through early Saturday for Aniak.

**Winter Weather Advisory:** Central Beaufort Sea Coast; Eastern Beaufort Sea Coast; Central Arctic Plains; Romanzof Mountains - From 6 AM Saturday to noon AKDT Sunday.

**Special Weather Statement:** Forty-mile Country – Due to the current river levels and ice conditions, the threat for flooding is diminished in the area around Eagle. However, ice jams can still pose a localized threat in the areas immediately around where they form.

For more information and the most current Weather, Watches/Warning/Advisories go to:

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

**The Next Situation Report** will be **May 6, 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).