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<p><u>SEOC Preparedness Level</u> Level 2 – Heightened Awareness</p>	<p>http://ready.alaska.gov</p>	<p><u>National Terrorism Advisory System:</u> Read the updated NTAS Bulletin here</p>
<p><u>Maritime Security (MARSEC)</u> Level:1-Minimum Appropriate Security Measures</p>	<p>WHO Novel Coronavirus Pandemic (COVID-19): 2019 Novel Coronavirus</p>	<p><u>Alaska Military Installation Force Protection Level:</u> FPCON Bravo</p>

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

Significant Issues:

SEOC at Level 2 – *Heightened Awareness* – Statewide Severe Weather Impacts

The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) is activated in a hybrid virtual/in-person Incident Command structure to manage the current state declared disaster responses and other incidents arising statewide from ongoing severe weather. **Please see the attached incident specific situation report and press release for the ongoing disaster response and recovery to the severe weather in the Interior, Mat-Su, Copper River, Delta Junction, and Southeast Alaska.**

Southeast – Disaster Declaration, Heavy Snow, Structural Collapse, Avalanche Risk

The SEOC received a local declaration of disaster from the City & Borough of Yakutat requesting state assistance for heavy snow and ice loading, potential structural collapse, and other issues related to extreme cold temperatures and excessive snowfall. Over the last several days the SEOC has received reports of additional weather concerns from various communities across Southeast who are responding to numerous school, business, government facility, and road closures due to the weather. In response, yesterday Governor Dunleavy issued a disaster declaration for the City and Borough of Yakutat, Haines Borough, Municipality of Skagway and the City and Borough of Juneau, activating the state Public Assistance program for the declared area.

Threat Level Changes:

None

State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS)

DHSS is now leading the State of Alaska COVID-19 Recovery through Department Operations, supported by SEOC and other state departments as required.

For current COVID-19 information, see:

<https://covid19.alaska.gov/>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

NTAS BULLETIN

To read current or expired advisories, click the link below:

<https://www.dhs.gov/national-terrorism-advisory-system>

Travel Alerts and Conditions

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

Barry Arm Landslide / Tsunami Risk

For the latest information on the Barry Arm Landslide and Tsunami risk, click here:
[DGGS Barry Arm Landslide and Tsunami Hazard](#)

Recent Earthquakes

The USGS has recorded numerous aftershocks to yesterday's M6.7 EQ that occurred southeast of Nikol'ski. The SEOC has been in contact with communities in the region and has received no reports of any damage or issues as a result of seismic activity.

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**

Pavlof Alert Level: **Watch** and Aviation Color Code: **Orange**

Semisopchnoi Alert Level: **Watch** and Aviation Color Code: **Orange**

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 ADEC Spill Prevention and Response page is located at:

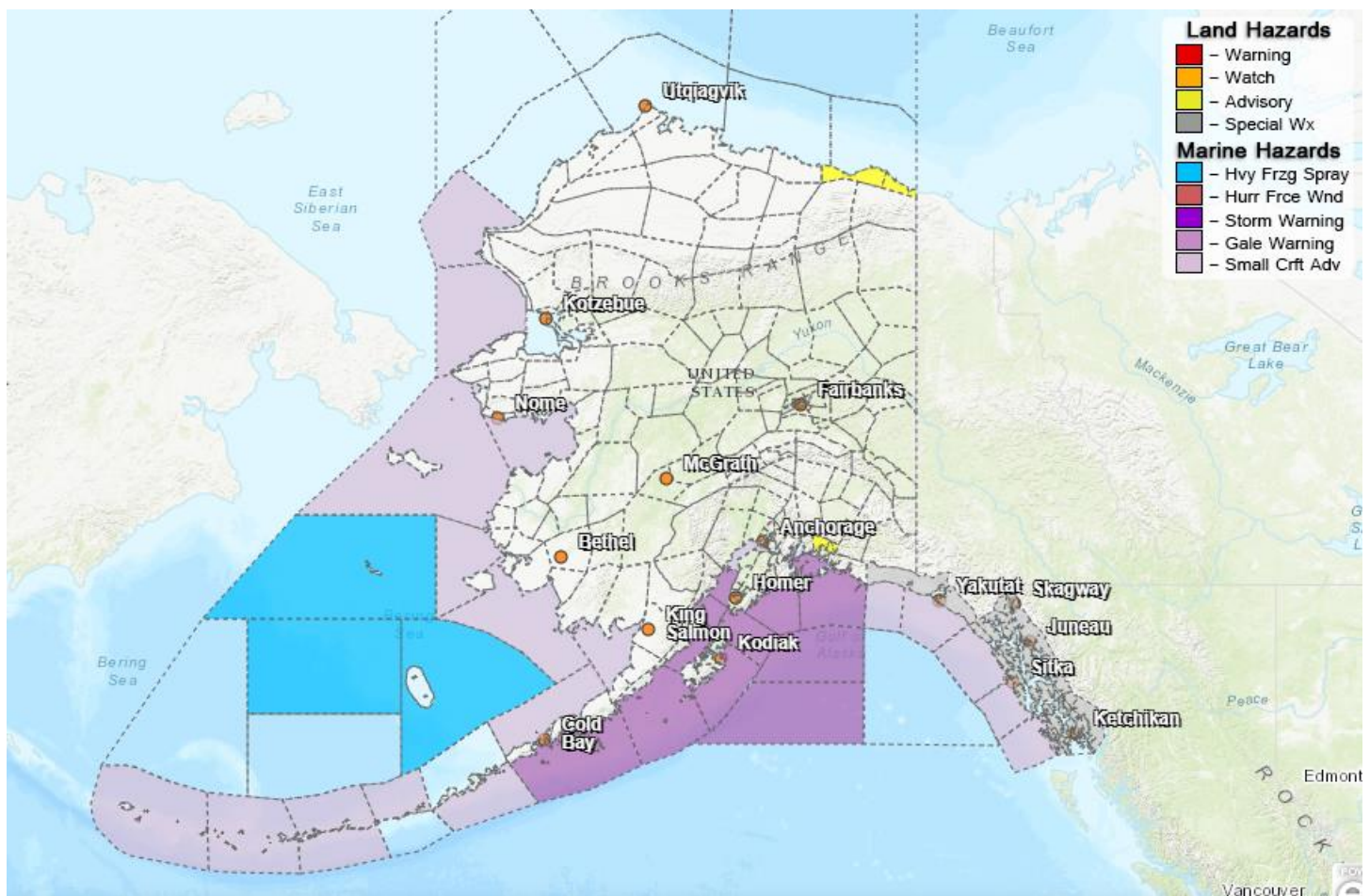
<http://dec.alaska.gov/spar/ppr/spill-information/response/>

Alaska Cyber Security Information

State Employees may sign up for cyber security notifications and alerts at

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

Significant Weather:



A Winter Weather Advisory is in effect until 9:00 A.M. today for freezing rain in the Valdez area.

A Wind Chill Advisory remains in effect until 9:00 P.M. today for the Eastern Beaufort Sea Coast. Wind chills of up to 55° below zero are possible.

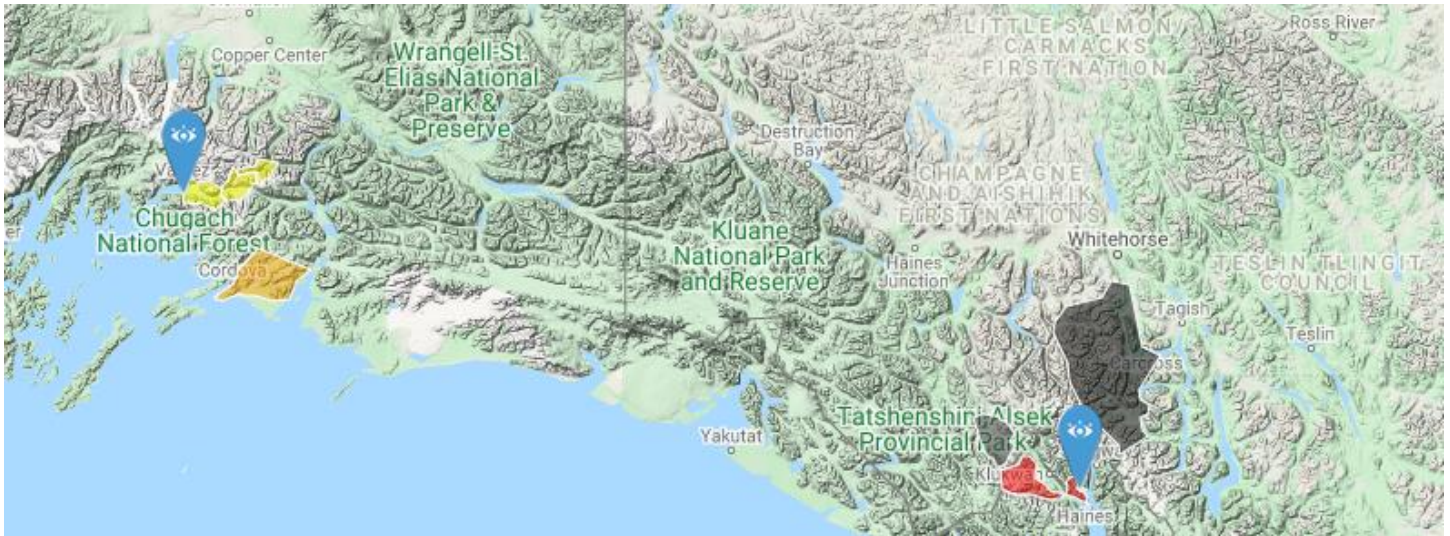
A Special Weather Statement has been issued for the Haines Borough, Lynn Canal, Taiya Inlet and the Klondike Highway. A weather system is expected to impact the area with a mix of rain and snow beginning Thursday and lasting through the weekend. Up to a foot of snow is possible along the highway, 2 to 6 inches near Haines and up to 3 inches for Skagway.

A Special Weather Statement has been issued for much of the Panhandle. A low pressure system is expected to bring moderate amounts of precipitation beginning tomorrow. Total rainfall amounts between 1.5 to 3.5 inches are possible, with some wintry mix falling overnight. This system will also likely bring gusty winds to the Hydaburg, Ketchikan and Sitka areas and the potential for nuisance flooding.

For more information and the most current weather, Watches / Warnings / Advisories go to:

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

Avalanche Forecast:



There are areas near Haines and Chilkat Lake with high risk, near Valdez and the Richardson Highway with moderate risk, and near Cordova with considerable risk.

Check the Avalanche Forecast Center closest to your area for the most up to date information on avalanche potential. <https://alaskasnow.org> or <https://www.weather.gov/afc/avalancheweather>

The Next Situation Report: will be **13** January 2022. 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