



**ALASKA DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY &
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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 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:

Statewide Fires

Over the holiday weekend, Alaska had thousands of lightning strikes and Red Flag conditions, with over 2,300,000 acres now burned statewide. There are 217 active fires with 19 new starts in the last 24 hours and 14 fires staffed with personnel on the ground. Wildland fire smoke also is generating health advisories over some portions of the state. Red Flag conditions continue today over a large area of Interior Alaska. The Alaska Interagency Coordination Center continues at wildland fire Planning Level 5, the highest level.

SEOC remains at Preparedness Level 2 - Heightened Awareness in response to the statewide fire situation. SEOC is monitoring multiple fires that pose some risk to communities and is participating regularly in Incident Management Team Cooperator briefings for these fires.

SEOC has a Disaster Division Supervisor and the Mobile Emergency Operations Center at the Minto Lakes Fire (#349) to support fire operations and coordinate with Fairbanks North Star Borough (FBNSB) Emergency Management. Several areas of the FBNSB in the Chatanika River Corridor remain evacuated with a shelter location at the Randy Smith Middle School and pet shelter at the Fairgrounds ready if needed.

In the Denali Borough, at the Clear Fire (#346) near the City of Anderson, the area in SET, be ready to evacuate, was expanded to include the entire City of Anderson, City of Clear and the Clear Space Force Station. Other outlying areas remain under evacuation “GO” status, with a shelter available at the Tri-Valley School in Healy and pet sheltering operations prepared.

SEOC is in regular contact with both Borough’s Emergency Management coordinating state support.

SEOC has multiple staff engaged in fire response support operations and is in daily contact with State Forestry for contingency planning of mass care, evacuation, National Guard, and other resources.

For additional details, see the links and area under Fire below.

. 2022 Spring Flood Disaster

Registration for Individual Assistance at <https://ready.alaska.gov> until July 12, 2022.

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 <https://511.alaska.gov/>

Barry Arm Landslide / Tsunami Risk

For the latest information on the Barry Arm Landslide and Tsunami risk, click here:

[DGGG Barry Arm Landslide and Tsunami Hazard](#)

Recent Earthquakes

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**

Cleveland Alert Level: **Advisory** and Aviation Color Code: **Yellow**

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

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

Katmai Volcano - Strong winds in the vicinity of Katmai and the Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes have picked up loose volcanic ash erupted during the 1912 Novarupta-Katmai eruption and carried it to the northwest yesterday afternoon. The National Weather Service has issued a SIGMET for this low-level event and suggests that the maximum cloud height is 6,000 ft above sea level. This phenomenon is not the result of recent volcanic activity and occurs during times of high winds and dry snow-free conditions in the Katmai area and other young volcanic areas of Alaska. No eruption is in progress. All of the volcanoes of the Katmai area (Snowy, Griggs, Katmai, Novarupta, Trident, Mageik, Martin) remain at color code GREEN.

Aniakchak Volcano - Strong winds blowing to the northwest in the region northwest of Aniakchak and east of Port Heiden have picked up loose volcanic ash and carried it to the northwest today. A dense cloud of possible resuspended volcanic ash was observed near ground levels in a web camera at Port Heiden. The height of this cloud is not known, but resuspended ash clouds are typically from sea level up to 5 km in altitude.

This phenomenon is not the result of recent volcanic activity and occurs during times of high winds and dry snow-free conditions in the young volcanic areas of Alaska. No eruption is in progress.

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

Air Quality Index (AQI) Advisories

AQI Advisories have been issued for moderately unhealthy air across the Central and Eastern Interior, Southcentral, Southwest and Aleutians, and Western Interior regions of the state due to smoke from numerous wildfires.

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/>

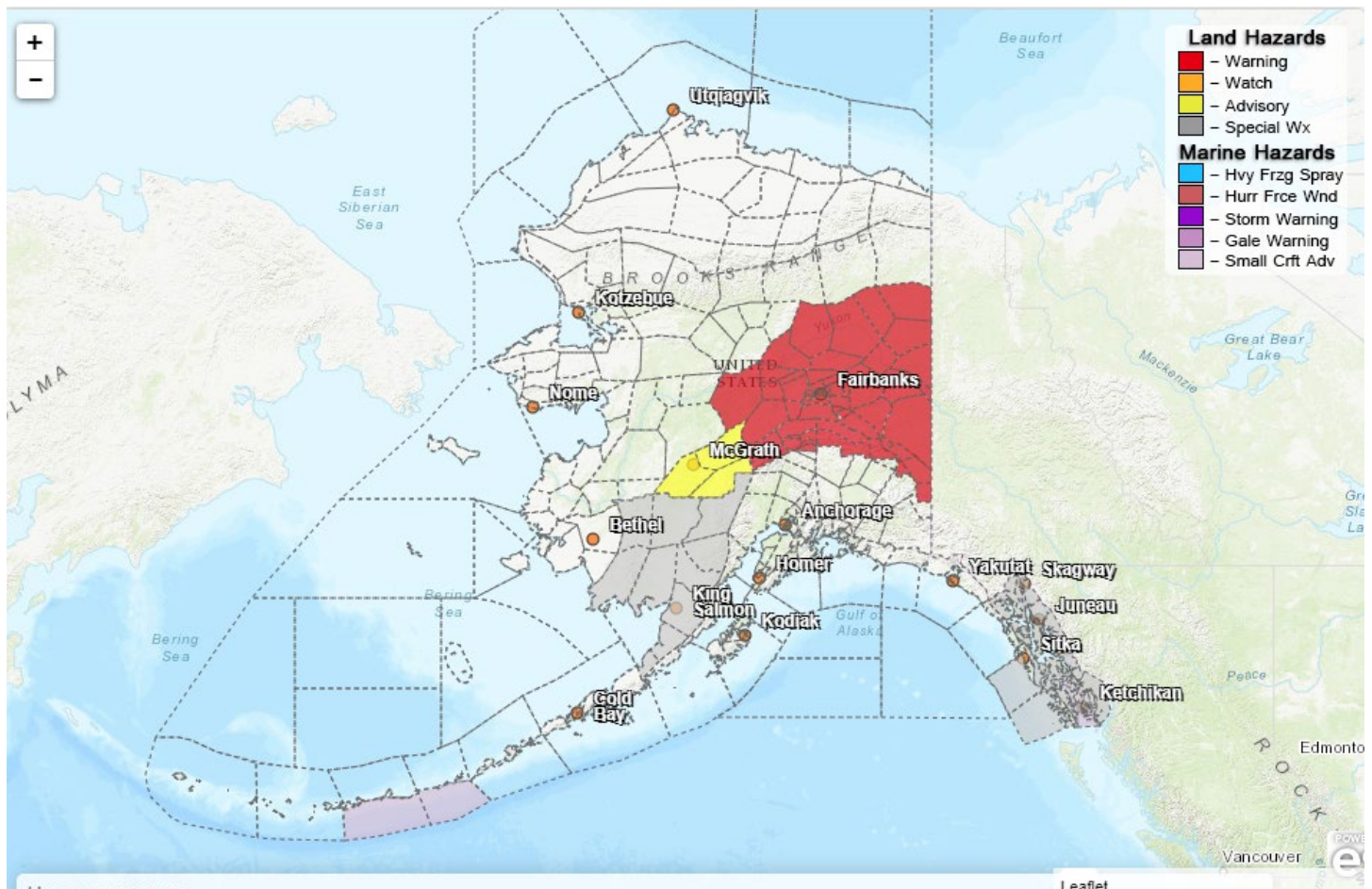
Alaska Cyber Security Information

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

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

CISA-Cybersecurity Services and Tools: www.cisa.gov/free-cybersecurity-services-and-tools

Significant Weather:



Air quality advisory in effect for Lower Kuskokwim Valley and Bristol Bay including the cities of: Aniak, Sleetmute, King Salmon, Dillingham, Naknek, and Pilot Point. This remains in effect until 2:00PM today.

For more information and the most current weather, Watches / Warnings / Advisories go to:
<http://www.weather.gov/arh>.

Fire Weather:

Emergency Burn closures in effect on ALL state, municipal, and private lands through July 11, 2022

Red flag warnings are in effect through midnight Saturday for Western Alaska Range, Middle Kuskokwim Valley, Upper Koyukuk Valley, Yukon Flats and Surrounding Uplands, Central Interior, Middle Tanana Valley, Deltana and Tanana Flats, Upper Tanana Valley and the Fortymile Country, and Eastern Alaska Range. This remains in effect until Midnight tonight.

Dense smoke advisory in effect for Upper Kuskokwim Valley including the cities of: McGrath, Nikolai, Takotna, and Farewell Lake. This remains in effect until noon today.

Dense smoke advisories are in effect for Yukon Flats and surrounding Uplands including the cities of: Fort Yukon, Venetie, Central, Circle, Stevens Village, Beaver, Chalkyitsik, Birch Creek, Circle Hot Springs, Eagle Summit, and Twelvemile Summit. This remains in effect until Noon today.

Fuels and Fire Behavior Advisory: <https://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/weather/outlooks/FFBehavior.pdf>

For more information and the most current fire related weather and warnings, go to:
<https://dnr.alaska.gov/burn> or <https://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/weather.php>

2022 Fire Season:

The Alaska Interagency Coordination Center is at Preparedness Level 4.
Wildland fire totals for 2022:

- Total Fires: 433
- Total Acres: 2,327,4747

There are currently 213 active fire(s) with 16 fire(s) staffed.

Current fire information is at <https://fire.ak.blm.gov/> or <https://akfireinfo.com>

The Next Situation Report: will be 6 July 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