

# ALASKA DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



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

(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.

#### **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: <a href="https://www.dhs.gov/national-terrorism-advisory-system">https://www.dhs.gov/national-terrorism-advisory-system</a>

#### **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**

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

#### Alaska Volcanoes

Great Sitkin Alert Level: Watch and Aviation Color Code: Orange

Pavlof Alert Level: Watch and Aviation Color Code: Orange

Semisopochnoi 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\

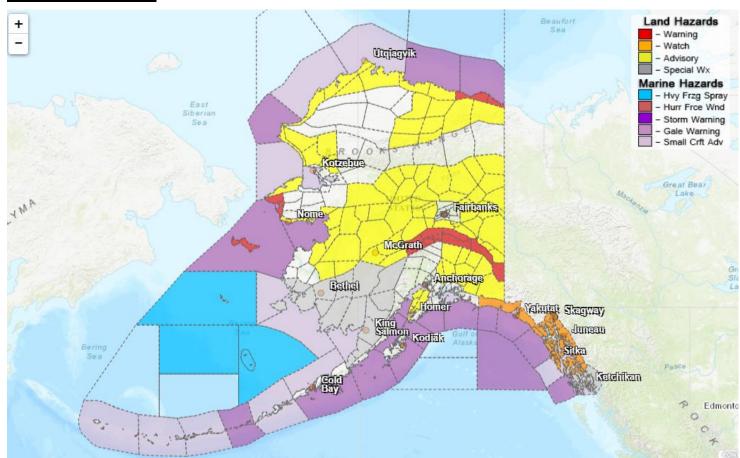
#### Spills of Oil and Hazardous Substances

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 <a href="https://oit.alaska.gov/security">https://oit.alaska.gov/security</a>

# Significant Weather:



A Flood Watch remains in effect for most of the Panhandle. Rainfall is expected across the region continuing through Saturday evening. Expected rainfall totals for the area:

- 2 4 inches in Haines and Skagway.
- 3 inches in Kake, Petersburg, and Wrangell.
- 4 6 inches in Angoon, Juneau, and Sitka.
- 6 to 8 inches in Elfin Cove, Pelican, and Yakutat.

A Blizzard Warning is in effect for St. Lwerence Island and the Bering Strait Coast. Total snow accumulation of 1-3 inches along with blizzard conditions could make travel difficult. The warning is in effect until 6am Saturday.

A Blizzard Warning is in effect for the Eastern Beaufort Sea Coast beginning at 3pm today until 3pm Saturday.

A High Wind Watch is in effect for the Eastern Alaska Range from noon today through Saturday. Southeast winds of up to 70mph are possible.

Winter Weather advisories are in effect for the following areas:

- Western Kenai Peninsula. Snow accumulation of 2 to 4 inches along with freezing rain and ice accumulations up to 1/10 of an inch as well as winds gusting up to 35mph are possible until 6pm tonight.
- Along the Chukchi Sea Coast until midnight tonight. Blowing snow and winds gusting up to 40mph are expected.
- Copper River Basin. Snow accumulation of 6-10 inches along with freezing rain and ice accumulations of up to ¼ of an inch are possible until 1am Saturday.
- Lower Kobuk and Noatak Valleys until 6pm today. Blowing snow and winds gusting up to 40mph are expected.
- Northwest Arctic Coast until 6pm Saturday for wind chills as low as 55 degrees below zero and blowing snow.
- A Winter Weather Advisory remains in effect for the Central Interior, Yukon Flats, Deltana, Tanana Flats and the Upper Tanana Valley and surrounding uplands until 6:00 A.M. Saturday. Up to two inches of snow accumulation is possible across the region.
- Across the Brooks Range region until noon Saturday for wind chills as low as 55 degrees below zero.

A Special Weather Statement has been issued for Bristol Bay, the Kuskokwim Delta, and Middle Kuskokwim Valley through this weekend. Two storm systems are expected to bring between 1 to 4 inches of snow and a wintry mix to Southwest Alaska.

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

# **Avalanche Forecast:**



There are areas near Valdez and Thompson Pass with Considerable risk

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

Check the Avalanche Forecast Center closest to your area for the most up to date information on avalanche potential. <a href="https://alaskasnow.org">https://alaskasnow.org</a> or <a href="https://alaskasnow.org">https:

<u>The Next Situation Report:</u> will be 24 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 <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 seoc@alaska.gov