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SEOC Update: 2025 October West Coast Storm – Disaster Update

JOINT BASE ELMENDORF RICHARDSON, Alaska — A Major Disaster Declaration has been signed by President Trump in response to a state-declared disaster, for the 2025 October West Coast Storms, including Typhoon Halong and related storms. The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) is coordinating with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to transition from a state-led response to a joint, long-term recovery operation through a Unified Command. The primary focus is life sustainment and stabilization for the impacted area.

Recovery is a priority for the impacted areas, and recovery operations continue with an emphasis on restoring critical infrastructure and services – including water, power, and communications, and emergency home and boardwalk repairs. Coordination between federal, state, local and tribal partners is continuing to provide critical supplies to impacted communities and address community needs as they are reported.

As of this afternoon, 1,177 applications for state Individual Assistance (IA) have been received. FEMA has received 321 IA applications to date. State IA and FEMA IA are coordinating to share information and encourage applicants register for each program

All individuals residing in congregate shelters in Anchorage and Bethel have transitioned to non-congregate sheltering, some shelters will remain in standby status for the coming days to accept potential evacuees. Some survivors may be sheltering with neighbors, family, or friends; it is crucial that those who are affected by the recent storms register for both state and federal IA programs and other forms of assistance.

State of Alaska Individual Assistance (IA) – Deadline is December 9, 2025

To register for State of Alaska Individual Assistance:

Call 1-844-445-7131, Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Or apply online <https://ready.alaska.gov/Recovery/IA>

FEMA Individual Assistance (IA) – Deadline is December 22, 2025

To register for FEMA Individual Assistance:

Call 1-866-342-1699, Monday – Sunday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Or apply online at <https://disasterassistance.gov>

Red Cross Assistance

To Register for assistance through the American Red Cross:
Call 1-800-RED-CROSS

Non-Congregate Sheltering (NCS)

To register for long-term, temporary, housing in the Non-Congregate Shelter Program:
Call 907-759-6927, Monday – Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Congregate shelters remain open in Anchorage and Bethel in standby status, ready to provide immediate sheltering needs if presented. A total of 92 households, consisting of 379 individuals, have transitioned from congregate to non-congregate sheltering in Anchorage. Plans for longer-term temporary housing are currently in development.

Alaska 211 can connect individuals with available local resources that best fit their needs. Call 2-1-1 or 1-800-478-2221. Email: alaska211@ak.org or visit www.Alaska211.org. Native Alaskan language interpretation services are available.

Reunification of pets is ongoing. Evacuees can contact the following for assistance: Alaska Pet Help Line: 907-615-8904, Bethel Friends of Canines: 907-707-7010, Mat-Su Animal Shelter: 907-746-5500 or 907-761-7501, or the Anchorage Shelter: 907-343-8138

The Alaska Native Medical Center and The Alaska Native Heritage Center are continuing to accept donations of subsistence-based traditional foods.

Team Rubicon is coordinating the collection of new items only for donations. To donate new items, bring them to Team Rubicon at the Chugach Electric Warehouse located at 1120 East 1st Avenue, Anchorage, AK, daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

A list of resources related to the disaster is available at ready.alaska.gov, under Top News.

Interagency Partner Operations

Alaska Organized Militia (AKOM): There are 89 AKOM members activated on State Active Duty with additional authorization as needed for disaster response. AKOM is assisting the Division of Forestry & Fire Protection with winterization and debris removal.

American Red Cross: The Red Cross continues to support the recovery by providing assistance with IA registrations, non-congregate housing, and Red Cross Individual Assistance. There are currently over 300 Red Cross personnel assigned to supporting this response and recovery.

Association of Village Council Presidents (AVCP): AVCP is working to develop a plan for the transition to long-term recovery, managed by AVCP.

U.S. Postal Service (USPS): Mail delivery continues to be available at the USPS Egan Center Mail Unit for residents of Kipnuk and Kwigillingok. Pickup is available daily between 1:00 p.m. and 4 p.m. daily. Individuals are encouraged by USPS to complete a

Change of Address (COA) request, to prevent an interruption in mail delivery. COA forms are available in person at any post office or online at <https://www.usps.com>. For additional assistance, contact USPS Alaska Customer Relations at 907-564-2828.

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