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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.

Governor Mike Dunleavy has signed an extension of the Disaster Declaration for the October 2026 West Coast Storms. The 30-day extension ensures that ongoing recovery operations can continue without interruption, allowing responders and partner agencies to complete as much work as possible before winter freeze-up conditions limit access in the region. The original disaster declaration was set to expire on November 9, 2025.

The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) continues 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, 1,440 applications for state Individual Assistance (IA) have been received. FEMA has received 786 IA applications to date. State IA and FEMA IA are coordinating to share information and encourage applicants to register for each program.

All individuals residing in congregate shelters in Anchorage and Bethel have transitioned to direct non-congregate sheltering. Survivors currently in Anchorage can register for long-term, temporary housing through the **Non-Congregate Shelter (NCS) Program** by calling **907-759-6927**, Monday through Saturday, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Survivors located outside Anchorage should contact the **Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation (YKHC) Travel Line** at **833-543-6625 (option 1)** for assistance traveling

to Anchorage for placement in the NCS program. Individuals will first travel to Bethel to complete registration before continuing on to Anchorage, where lodging will be provided.

Upon arrival in Anchorage, the American Red Cross will meet survivors at the airport, provide transportation to NCS hotels or other locations as needed, and offer additional care and support services.

A total of 614 individuals have transitioned to non-congregate sheltering in Anchorage. Plans for longer-term temporary housing are currently in development.

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. – 6:30 p.m.

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

Small Business Administration (SBA) – Deadline is December 22, 2025

SBA offers low interest, long-term disaster loans to homeowners, renters, businesses, and private nonprofits to repair and replace property destroyed by the storms.

Call 1-800- 659-2955, Monday – Friday 6 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Or apply online at <https://sba.gov/disaster>

Disaster Assistance Centers (DACs) are now open and providing in-person support for survivors in Anchorage, Bethel and Kotzebue.

Anchorage Disaster Assistance Center (DAC)

A DAC will be operating at the Calista Corporation Building located at 1400 W. Benson Blvd, Suite 110-155, Anchorage, AK. The DAC will be open through November 14, 2025, Monday – Friday 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. *Please note this DAC will be closed in observance of Veterans Day on Tuesday 11/11/2025.*

Bethel Disaster Assistance Center (DAC)

A DAC will be operating at the AVCP Tugkar Building located at 570 3rd Ave, Bethel, AK. The DAC will be open through November 14, 2025, Monday – Friday 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Kotzebue Disaster Assistance Center (DAC)

A DAC will be operating at the Maniilaq Health Center's Ferguson Building located at 733 2nd Avenue, Kotzebue, AK. The DAC will be open today through November 14, 2025, Monday – Friday 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

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.

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. Team Rubicon is asking that donors send their donations to the warehouse, not hand deliver them. They also recommend that people and organizations wanting to contribute to the long-term recovery of survivors donate monetarily to reputable organizations such as Team Rubicon <https://teamrubiconusa.org/> or the The Alaska Community Foundation <https://alaskacf.org/>.

A list of resources related to the disaster is available at ready.alaska.gov, under Top News. Survivors are also encouraged to visit Alaska Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) for additional resources <https://www.akvoad.org/>.

All donations, events, and services available for survivors of the 2025 October West Coast Storm should be directed to storm2025@ready.alaska.gov.

Interagency Partner Operations

Alaska Organized Militia (AKOM): There are 78 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, debris removal, muck-outs and supporting cargo flights.

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.

Association of Village Council Presidents (AVCP): AVCP is working to develop a plan for the transition to long-term recovery, managed by AVCP. There are still many survivors from the affected villages with unidentified needs. Team Rubicon is working alongside the AVCP and encourages anyone in the Y-K Delta with remaining needs due to the storm to email familyrequest@avcp.org. This email will help volunteers in Bethel fulfill these requests and AVCP get the items needed to those who need them.

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC): DEC is working closely with communities, local governments, tribal and regional organizations, and state and federal partners to support recovery efforts in Western Alaska. This live website provides daily updates on the status of drinking water, wastewater, solid waste, and environmental conditions in affected communities: <https://dec.alaska.gov/commish/west-coast-alaska-storm-response-2025/>

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