ALASKA DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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(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. An incident specific situation report for the 2021-2022 Winter Storms is attached to this e-mail.

**Southeast Storms**

The SEOC continues to work with the City and Borough of Yakutat and assist with their response to the storm. The 30 deployed Alaska National Guard service members began their demobilization process yesterday and are expected to return to Anchorage today.

**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/

**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
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
Pavlov Alert Level: Watch and Aviation Color Code: Orange
Semisopchohni 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 Storm Watch is in effect from Wednesday morning through late Wednesday night for Taiya Inlet and Klondike Highway, Haines Borough and Lynn Canal, Glacier Bay, Eastern Chichagof Island and Juneau Borough, and Northern Admiralty Island. Total snow accumulations of 4 to 8 inches are possible.

A Wind Chill Advisories have been issued for the following areas:

- Central Beaufort Sea Coast until noon today. Up to 60° below zero
- Eastern Norton Sound until midnight tonight. Up to 50° below zero
- Eastern Beaufort Sea Coast, Chukchi Sea Coast, St. Lawrence Island and the Bering Strait Coast until 6:00 A.M. tomorrow. Up to 60° below zero

Winter Weather Advisories have been issued for the following areas:

- Central Interior, Upper Koyukuk Valley and the Yukon Flats through Saturday. Up to two inches of blowing snow is possible across the area.
- Haines, Gustavus and Juneau until 9:00 P.M. today. 3 to 6 inches of snow accumulation is expected.
- Hyder from noon today until 6:00 A.M. tomorrow. 6 to 10 inches of snow accumulation is expected.
- Thompson Pass until 11:00 P.M. today. Winds up to 30mph and 6 to 10 inches of snow accumulation is expected.

A Special Weather Statement has been issued for a Chinook warming pattern this weekend through early next week for the southern Interior. Temperatures in the area are expected to rise into the 30s, and possibly even warmer near the Alaska Range.

A Special Weather Statement has been issued for a stormy “pineapple express” storm pattern late this week into early next week for the Lower Yukon Valley and the Middle Kuskokwim Valley. Current forecasts indicate most areas will receive heavy snow, however some areas may receive rain and freezing rain.

Special Weather Statements have been issued for heavy rain with rising snow levels late this week for most of the Southeast panhandle. Rainfall amounts of 4 to 7 inches are possible from Thursday evening through Sunday, heaviest Friday and Saturday. Yakutat will likely see the highest rainfall amounts and Sitka on the lower end.

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

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

**The Next Situation Report:** will be 20 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](https://ready.alaska.gov/sitrep). To register for email distribution, go to [http://list.state.ak.us/mailman/listinfo/dhsem.situation.report](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