



**ALASKA DIVISION OF HOMELAND  
SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT  
SITUATION REPORT 239•August 26, 2024**



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<p><b><u>SEOC Preparedness Level</u></b>  Level 3 – Ongoing Incident</p>	<p><a href="http://ready.alaska.gov">http://ready.alaska.gov</a></p>	<p><b><u>National Terrorism Advisory System:</u></b>  <a href="#">Read the NTAS Bulletin here</a></p>
<p><b><u>Maritime Security (MARSEC)</u></b> Level:1- Minimum Appropriate Security Measures</p>	<p><b>WHO Novel Coronavirus Pandemic (COVID-19):</b> <a href="#">2019 Novel Coronavirus</a></p>	<p><b><u>Alaska Military Installation Force Protection</u></b> <b><u>Level:</u></b> FPCON Bravo</p>

(Significant changes from previous situation reports are red.)

**Significant Issues:**

**Situation Report: 2024 Aug. Ketchikan Landslide**

Active search, rescue, evacuation, and sheltering operations are ongoing. There are concerns about slide stability and the potential for an additional slide. Alaska State Troopers are on scene supporting search and rescue efforts. Mutual aid has been requested for Urban Search and Rescue from Juneau’s Capital City Fire and Rescue. The Governor has declared a state disaster for the Ketchikan Gateway Borough, enabling Individual Assistance, Public Assistance, and Temporary Housing. The Department of Transportation and Public Facilities mobilized drone and communications assistance.

**There have been 1 fatality and 3 injuries reported. \*Corrected per Ketchikan EOC**

Evacuations are in progress for 1st Ave, 2nd Ave, 3rd Ave, and Water Street. The Ketchikan High School, accessible via Madison Ave, is being used as a shelter. Infrastructure disruptions include power outages, internet disruptions, and road closures.

An incident specific situation report will be available tomorrow.

**Situation Report: 2024 Aug. West Coast Storms**

Another lower-intensity storm is forecast for late this weekend, with no coastal inundation expected. The "reoccurring lows" typical for this season in Alaska continue. SEOC remains in contact with west coast and Kuskokwim Delta communities, as well as Calista Corporation, ANTHC, YKHC, and TCC.

**Kwigillingok** - Debris has been reported on the boardwalk, with concerns about flood damage in high-water areas. The tribe has contacted NRCS for assistance. There are also reports of residential freezer damages, with exterior freezers floating away. Flood debris cleanup is planned once conditions dry.

**Brevig Mission** - DOT/PF has deployed two personnel to assess the runway. The runway, closed to small aircraft on Monday and large aircraft on August 14, requires 2-3 days of dry weather for repair completion. Dry conditions are forecasted, and normal operations are expected to resume by Wednesday of next week. SEOC is providing technical assistance for a draft local declaration of disaster.

**Kipnuk** - One home has shifted off its foundation, with reports of missing personal items, including boats. Flood-submerged boardwalk areas are under repair, and there is concern about flood debris contaminating rainwater sources.

**Quinhagak** - Erosion has affected an archaeological and historical dig site.

**Napakiak** - Erosion is undercutting the foundation of W. Miller Memorial School, and there are reports of skiffs lost to high water, crucial for community transportation.

**Toksook Bay** - Fish racks and boats have sustained damage.

#### **State of Alaska Department of Health (DOH):**

The DOH is ready to assist with all aspects of public health and is supported by the SEOC and other state departments as required in the event of a public health emergency.

For current information, see: <https://health.alaska.gov/dph/Pages/default.aspx>  
<https://health.alaska.gov/dph/Emergency/Pages/prepared/default.aspx>

#### **NTAS Bulletin:**

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security issued an updated National Terrorism Advisory Bulletin on May 24, 2023. The current and expired bulletins can be viewed at the below link.

<https://www.dhs.gov/national-terrorism-advisory-system>

#### **Travel Alerts and Conditions:**

**Flooding Risk on W Glenn Hwy All Directions near mile marker 94**

For current driving conditions, dial 511 or visit: <https://511.alaska.gov/>

#### **Barry Arm Landslide / Tsunami Risk:**

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

<https://dggs.alaska.gov/hazards/barry-arm-landslide.html>

#### **Earthquakes:**

United States Geological Service (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**

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

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

### **Air Quality Index (AQI) Advisories:**

Active advisories/episodes are still in effect for the Central and Eastern Interior.

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 Alaska Division of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) Spill Prevention and Response page is located at: <https://dec.alaska.gov/spar/>

### **Alaska Cyber Security Information:**

State Employees may sign up for cybersecurity notifications and alerts at:

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

Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)-Cybersecurity Services and Tools:

[www.cisa.gov/free-cybersecurity-services-and-tool](http://www.cisa.gov/free-cybersecurity-services-and-tool)

### **Alaska Wildland 2024 Fire Season:**

The Alaska Interagency Coordination Center is now at Preparedness Level **1**

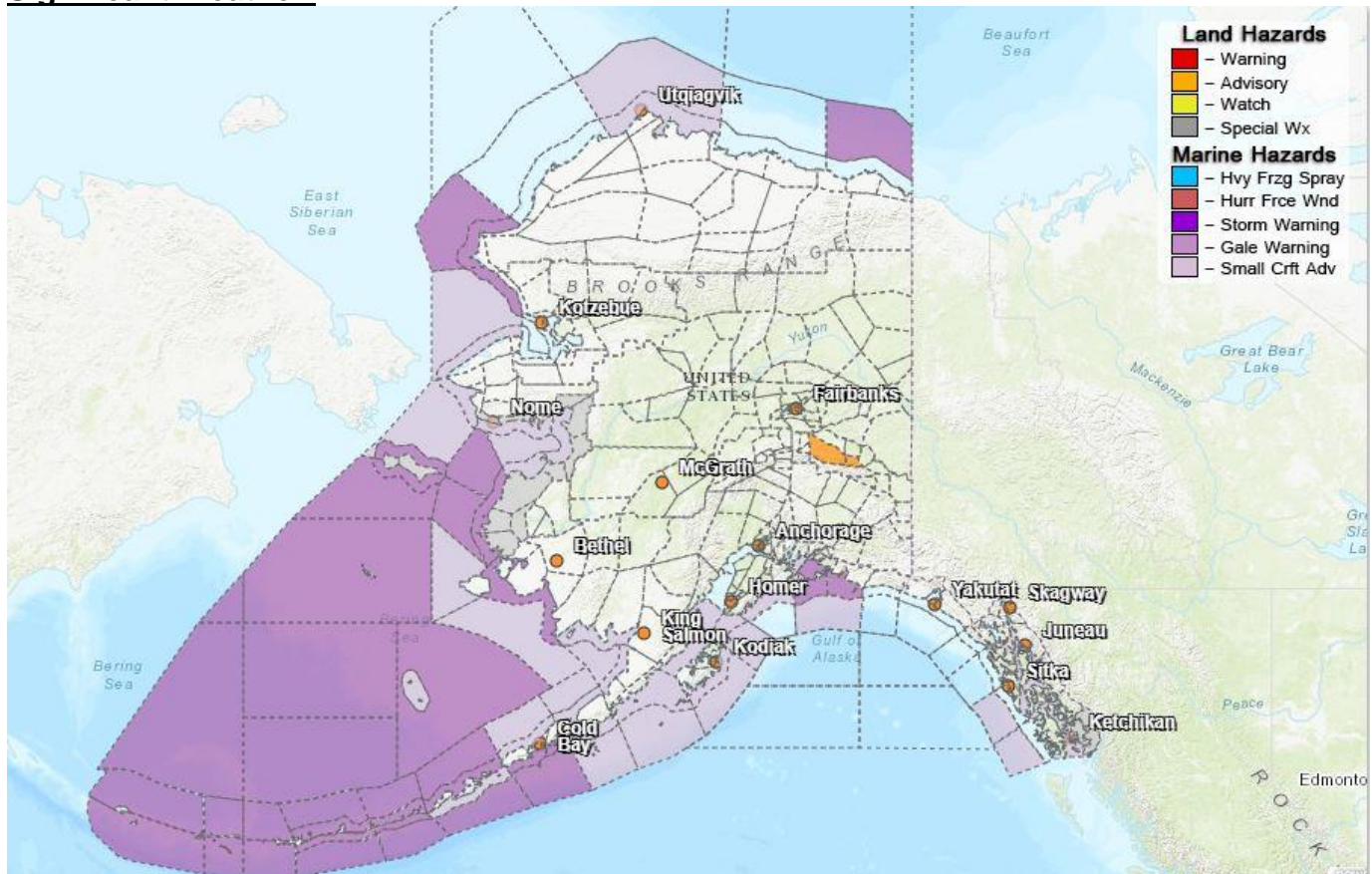
Total Fires YTD: **371**

Total Acres: **664,068**

There are currently **86** active fire(s), with **0** new and **0** fire staffed.

For more information, go to <https://fire.ak.blm.gov/> or <https://akfireinfo.com/>

### **Significant Weather:**



**Special Weather Statement:**

- **Ketchikan Gateway Borough; Annette Island** – Heavy rainfalls ended across the southern panhandle.
- **Southern Seward Peninsula Coast; Eastern Norton Sound and Nulato Hills; Yukon Delta Coast; St Lawrence Island** - Rain and Wind for the West Coast Tonight into Monday

**Wind Advisory:**

- **Eastern Alaska Range North of Trims Camp** – From 11pm Monday till 11pm Tuesday.

For more information and the most current Weather, Watches/Warning/Advisories go to:

<https://www.weather.gov/arh/>

**The Next Situation Report** will be **August 27, 2024**. A significant change in the situation or the threat level will prompt an interim report. This report is posted on the internet

<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](mailto:seoc@alaska.gov).