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

(Significant changes from previous situation reports are red.)

Significant Issues:

West Coast Storm:

SEOC continues at Level 2, engaged in a full multiagency response to Kotzebue, Northwest Arctic Borough (NWAB) and other communities impacted by the 2024 October West Coast Storm disaster.

SEOC Response in Kotzebue:

- SEOC Kotzebue Field Division Supervisor (DIVSUP), Kotzebue Borough DIVSUP, and Kotzebue Mass Care Group Supervisor are in Kotzebue coordinating the state response with NWAB and City of Kotzebue Incident Command.
- Anchorage churches Change Point and Mountain City deployed a disaster response repair team to Kotzebue to assist with home construction repair. They coordinated this morning with the National Guard to address immediate resident repair needs for winter safety.
- SEOC has ordered a mutual aid Volunteer Agency Liaison from Colorado through the Emergency Management Assistance Compact to assist in Kotzebue's long-term recovery planning.
- State Disaster Individual Assistance registration is open for residents in Kotzebue (See attached). Multiple in-person, door-to-door registrations were taken, and an in-person meeting location will open today at the NWAB office with state and NWAB representatives. To date: 28 filed with SEOC and multiple paper applications in the field in Kotzebue.
- Division of Forestry and Fire Protection (DOF&FP) crew extending orders through Friday to de-watering properties with pumps and hoses and assisting with disaster cleanup.
- A team of 9 Alaska Organized Militia (AKOM), composed of Alaska National Guard and Alaska State Defense Force service members extending through Friday working on:
 - Distribute relief supplies including heaters, dehumidifiers,
 - Assist residents with home damage to sewer, water, and gas lines
 - Repair wheelchair access and stairs
 - Stabilize fuel tanks
 - Repair Kotzebue Recreation Center exterior
 - Clear storm debris from 10 residential properties

- Assist with drying out subflooring
- Village Public Safety Officers are working alongside DOF&FP and AKOM teams to assist residents.
- 85 residences were assessed for flood/storm damage. 45 homes had some type of damage. 18 homes had sub floor and insulation damage.
- The Native Village of Kotzebue is distributing water, food boxes, and feeding responders.
- Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium's Healthy Alaska Natives Foundation is managing the financial donations that are made to the Kotzebue Flood Relief Fund for this west coast storm incident. <https://healthyalaskanatives.org/kotzebue-flood/>
- Plan in place to replace lost subsistence foods.

Other Storm Communities:

SEOC has received infrastructure damage (berm, roads, poles, etc.) reports from

- Nome (Council Road)
- Shismaref
- Shaktoolik
- Wales

Department of Health (DOH):

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:

Avalanche Hazard Reduction on Dalton Hwy Both Directions from mile marker 242 to mile marker 247. All lanes closed.

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**

Mt. Spurr Alert Level: **Advisory** and Aviation Color Code: **Yellow**

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

Alaska Cyber Security Information:

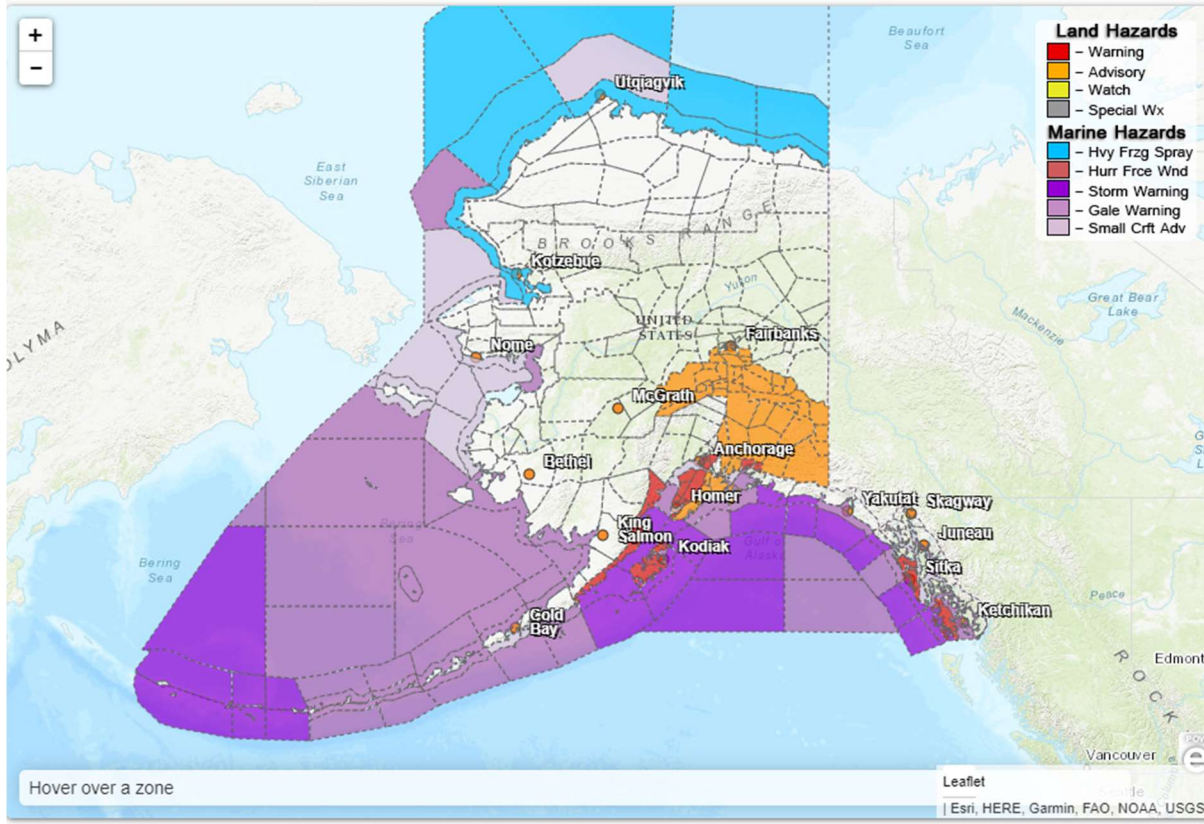
State Employees may sign up for cybersecurity notifications and alerts at:

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

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

www.cisa.gov/free-cybersecurity-services-and-tool

Significant Weather:



Winter Storm Warnings:

- **Western Kenai Peninsula and Anchorage** in effect until 1PM AKDT today.

Blizzard Warning:

- **Northeast Prince William Sound** in effect until 7AM AKDT Wednesday for Thompson Pass.

High Wind Warning:

- **City and Borough of Sitka** in effect until 7PM AKDT this evening.
- **Kodiak Island** in effect from Noon today until 8PM AKDT this evening.
- **Prince of Wales Island** in effect from 1PM AKDT this afternoon until 10PM tonight.

Winter Weather Advisory:

- **Western Prince William Sound** in effect until 1PM AKDT today for interior areas of the Kenai Peninsula.
- **Copper River Basin**-in effect until 7AM AKDT Wednesday.
- **Southern Denali Borough; Eastern Alaska Range South of Trims Camp** in effect until 7AM AKDT Wednesday for Thompson Pass.
- **Northern Denali Borough, Eastern Alaska Range North of Trims Camp; Upper Tanana Valley; Delta Junction, Tanana Flats, Eielson AFB, Sacha, and Nenana** in effect until 10AM AKDT Wednesday.

For more information and the most current Weather, Watches/Warning/Advisories go to:
<https://www.weather.gov/arh/>

The Next Situation Report will be on **October 30, 2024**. An interim report will be prompted by a significant change in the situation or the threat level. This report is posted on the internet at <https://ready.alaska.gov/sitrep>.

To register for email distribution, PLEASE go to:
<http://list.state.ak.us/mailman/listinfo/dhsem.situation.report>.

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