

ALASKA DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT 24-136 • May 15, 2024



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

(Significant changes from previous situation reports are red.)

Significant Issues:

Governor Dunleavy has declared a disaster for the Kuskokwim River communities in the Lower Kuskokwim and Yupiit Regional Education Attendance Areas in response to flooding. The disaster recovery Individual Assistance program, that provides grant funding to individuals and families with damaged to primary residence or essential personal property lost during the flooding, is now open for those in the declared area.

Riverwatch:

Middle Yukon Division:

Division flew areas in and around Galena and met with Galena community leaders. With the low risk of ice jam flooding on the Middle Yukon River the Division demobilized last night. SEOC will remain in contact with communities in the area.

Fort Yukon Communities Snowmelt Flood Concern:

Cananda Yukon Territories Emergency Management has mobilized flood fighting resources for the Old Crow and Porcupine River communities with reports of heavy snow loads and the risk for snowmelt flooding with warmer temperatures.

This same snowmelt flood concern will become an issue for Alaska's Yukon communities in and around Fort Yukon in 6 to 12 days. SEOC and National Weather Service are in direct contact with Canadian officials and are carefully monitoring.

Kuskokwim Division:

Division is transitioning from response to recovery operations and implementing disaster recovery programs pursuant to Governor Dunleavy's declaration of disaster. Division deployed two Red Cross disaster assistance team members and transported a 2nd AVCP VPSO to Kwethluk yesterday.

Division did an initial damage survey in the community and met with community incident command. Some oil sheening was noted in the community and ADEC was advised with photos. Flood debris was observed throughout the community. Water remains high in the community.

Division then took two Red Cross to Napaskiak, met with Tribal Administrator, and did an initial damage survey in the community.

Division met in Bethel with AVCP and YKHC to initiate disaster response recovery documentation. Division worked with YKHC to distribute state disaster recovery information through their social media and public relations channels.

Division did an initial damage survey of flooded Bethel roads and residences.

Today Division will provide impacted residents with state disaster Individual Assistance information and collect damage information for the state disaster Public Assistance program.

With no ice jam flooding risk, and disaster recovery underway, Division will demobilize tomorrow.

Lower Yukon:

Yesterday SEOC conducted a call with communities in this area to brief on conditions. Water levels were low with the breakup front just below Marshall. With cold temperatures and snow conditions, breakup in this area is delayed.

Mass Care:

SEOC conducted a Mass Care coordination call yesterday with state, tribal, and volunteer agency partners including Clista, ANTHC, YKHC, Department of Health, and Housing and Urban Development.

Red Cross volunteers were in Kwethluk and Napaskiak to conduct disaster assessments of residents. Alaska Food Bank supplied bottled water arrived in Kwethluk yesterday.

State of Alaska Department of Health (DOH):

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

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:

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:

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

Alaska Wildland 2024 Fire Season:

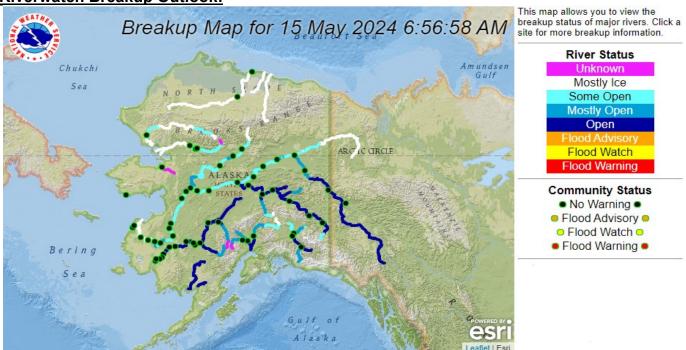
The Alaska Interagency Coordination Center is at Preparedness Level: 1

Total Fires YTD: 59
Total Acres: 221

There are currently 8 active fire(s) with 1 new and 0 fires staffed.

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

Riverwatch Breakup Outlook:



View Recent River notes and updates at: Alaska-Pacific RFC (weather.gov)

Significant Weather: Land Hazards Warning **Upperpris** Watch - Special Wx Marine Hazards Hvy Frzg Spray Hurr Free Wnd Storm Warning Gale Warning Small Crft Adv Korzenia Great Bear Lake California . Median Andrope Dailes Valual Sagmay Salmon Koday duncan Recention Edmo

Vancouver

Winter Weather Advisory:

- Interior Seward Peninsula-until 6pm this evening
- Noatak Valley-until 7am Thursday

Blizzard Warning:

- Shishmaref, Bering Strait Coast-until 6pm this evening
- Western Artic Coast-until 10pm this evening

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

The Next Situation Report will be May 16, 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.

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