

ALASKA DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

SITUATION REPORT 24-180•June 28, 2024



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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> <u>Level:</u> FPCON Bravo</p>

(Significant changes from previous situation reports are red.)

Significant Issues:

Alaska Wildland 2024 Fire Season:

- Last night, the fire near the Elliot Highway (Globe Creek Fire #253) required SEOC coordination support for evacuation and highway/infrastructure impacts through early morning.
- With the current fire weather conditions, SEOC expects additional ignitions and has concern for significant Wildland Urban Interface threats. Much of the fire threat is in Alaska's Unorganized Boroughs.
- SEOC received an additional 213 from Forestry for DOT/PF flaggers and communications equipment for the Globe Creek Fire which was last reported less than ½ mile from the highway. SEOC executed on this request.
- Given the current wildland fire risk and pace of operations, SEOC has moved to Level 2 and will have extended staffing at night and through the weekend to provide support to wildland fire operations. SEOC has also prepped Ops staff so that they are ready to deploy if needed.
- SEOC Command and General Staff personnel have been identified to respond to SEOC this weekend in person if required. Additional SEOC staffing could be needed next week and into the Independence Day holiday weekend.

Stebbins School Fire:

- Late last night SEOC was contacted about a structure fire in Stebbins in the community school, teacher housing and utility buildings, all were deemed a total loss. No reports of injuries were reported to the SEOC.
- Six fire fighters from Nome Volunteer Fire Dept responded last night to assist the community with fire suppression.
- State Fire Marshals office responded today by sending two staff members to the community to conduct a fire investigation.

- SEOC is working to support the community and identify immediate needs as the community recovers. Electrical lines were damaged in the community because of the fire, SEOC confirmed with the Alaska Village Electric Co-op that they were aware. AVEC responded by sending a 5-person line crew to the community to begin power restoration today.
- SEOC is in contact with the community and activated the mass care task for partners to assist with any unmet needs. SEOC was able to confirm no residents have been displaced.

In response to the school fire, Governor Dunleavy declared a State Disaster Emergency for the City of Stebbins and the Bering Strait REAA for public assistance. DHSEM will work to support the Governor's declaration using the Public Assistance disaster recovery program.

Severe (G4) Geomagnetic Storm Observed:

The Space Weather Prediction Center observed a Severe (G4) Geomagnetic Storm at 1415 UTC on June 28, 2024. A Geomagnetic Storm Warning (G3 or greater) is in effect through 5PM EDT.

Fairbanks North Star Borough:

- Go- **Red**: Residence within in milepost 39-48.
- Set- **Yellow** Fairbanks North Star Borough evacuation remains in "Be Set" for all Chatanika River Corridor and Hayes Creek.
- Ready- **Green**: Areas along the Salacha River, Harding Lake, Hollies Acres, Canaday, Salacha and Johnson Road neighborhoods.

For more details, please visit The Fairbanks North Star Borough web page at <https://ak-fairbanksnorthstarborough.civicplus.com/180/Emergency-Operations>

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:

Road Closed Both Directions: Elliot Hwy near MP 28 to MP 49 due to increased fire activity in the area.

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:

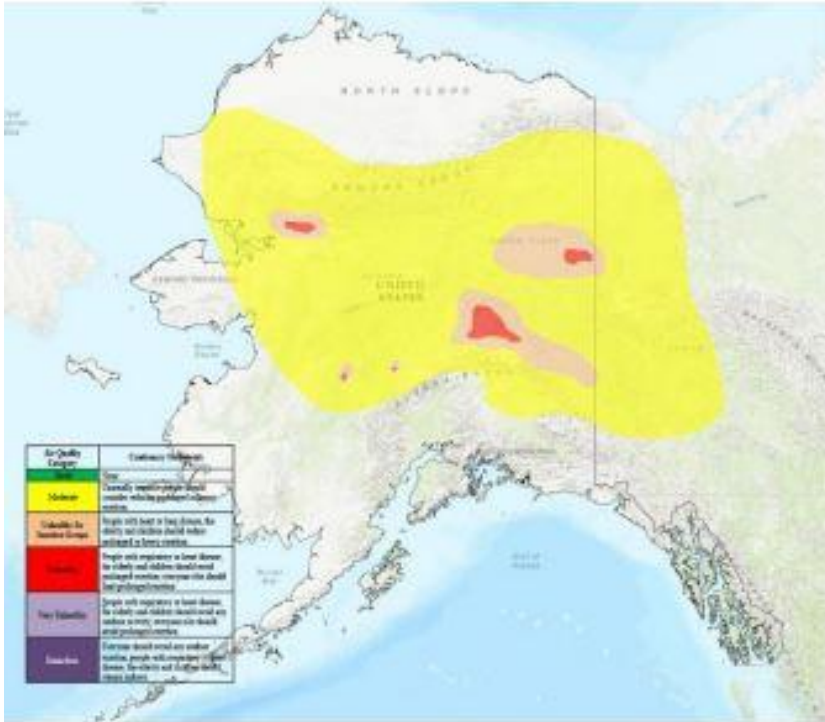
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For Alaska Volcano updates, go to: <https://www.avo.alaska.edu/>

Air Quality Index (AQI) Advisories:

For the most up-to-date Air Quality Index Advisories:



Active advisories/episodes are in effect for Central and Eastern Interior, Western Interior.

<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: 4

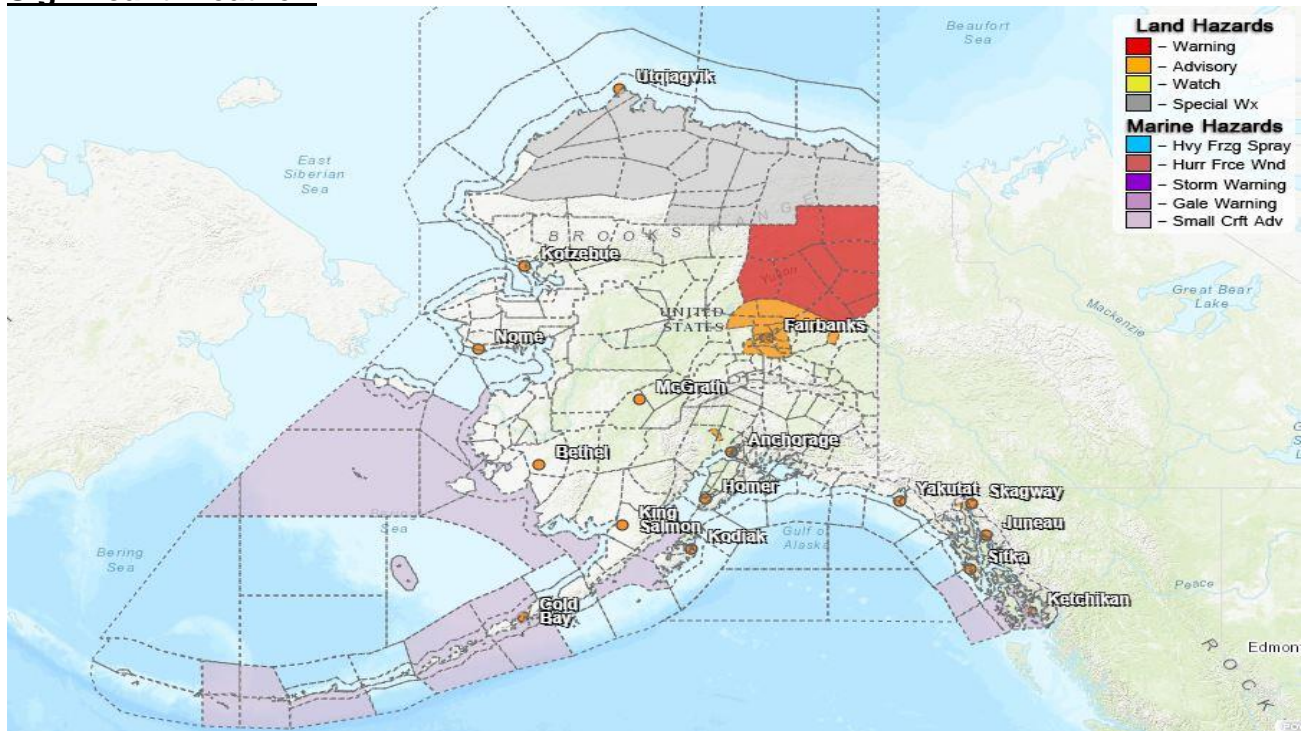
Total Fires YTD: **275**

Total Acres: **246,837**

There are currently **141** active fire(s) with **15** new and **11** fire staffed.

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

Significant Weather:



Red Flag Warning:

Yukon Flats, and South Slopes Of The Eastern Brooks Range – Lightning until midnight Friday.

Dense Smoke Advisory:

White Mountains and High Terrain South of the Yukon River; Tanana Flats; Eielson AFB and Salcha; Goldstream Valley and Nenana Hills; Chatanika River Valley; Two Rivers; Fairbanks Metro Area; Nenana – Until 4pm this afternoon.

Flood Advisory:

Haines Borough and Klukwan - For snowmelt now in effect until 7pm Sunday.

Susitna Valley - For snowmelt on the Swentna and Yentna Rivers until noon Friday

Special Weather Statement:

Northwest Arctic Coast; Northern Arctic Coast; Central Beaufort Sea Coast; Eastern Beaufort Sea Coast; Western Arctic Plains; Central Arctic Plains; Central Brooks Range; Romanzof Mountains – Vey Strong Thunderstorms Possible through Friday.

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

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

The Next Situation Report will be **July 1, 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.