

ALASKA DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT 25-126 May 6, 2025



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SEOC Preparedness Level Level 2 – Heightened Awareness for Riverwatch 2025	http://ready.alaska.gov	Alaska Military Installation Force Protection Level: FPCON Bravo
	Maritime Security (MARSEC) Level:1- Minimum Appropriate Security Measures	

(Significant changes from previous situation reports are red.)

Significant Issues:

2025 Riverwatch Operations:

Kusko Division -

Yesterday afternoon minor flooding occurred in Kalskag. The Division flew to the community and coordinated with tribal and community leaders and deployed a UAS (drone) to assess conditions. Water covered the road to the school and low-lying areas around the school. The school and store closed early, and students boated home. No critical infrastructure was inundated, and the runway was clear. Community members considered this "routine annual flooding" and were fully prepared. Water began to recede before the Division departed. Upon return to Bethel, the Division made contingency plans with Association of Village Council Presidents (AVCP) to deploy a village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) to Kalskag to support response if required. The Division conducts daily morning interviews on KYUK Radio in Bethel.

The team's plan today is to fly to Aniak, then Kalskag area and assess Kuskokwim River conditions, landing in communities to brief and coordinate any required response.

Upper Yukon Division –

Yesterday the Division flew to Circle and landed, meeting with the community to brief on conditions. Breakup Flood risk for Circle is over, as front has passed. Division then flew to Fort Yukon, giving a briefing over KZPA radio, and coordinating contingency response operations with community leaders and VPSO.

The team's plan for today is to fly to Fort Yukon and access the breakup front and flood risk.

On the ground in Fairbanks, while not flying, the Division plans to meet with Fairbanks North Star Borough Emergency Manager to review the Borough's response plans for flooding and fire. They also

plan to meet with the US Army Corps of Engineers to review contingency operations and attend an emergency exercise at the Moose Creek Dam.

The Division also created a radio briefing / Public Service Announcement to be broadcast over KZPA.

Department of Health (DOH):

For resources and current information, see: https://health.alaska.gov/en/

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 link below. https://www.dhs.gov/national-terrorism-advisory-system

Travel Alerts and Conditions:

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

Ketchikan North Tongass Hwy at Wolfe Point: Expect delays due to rock scaling operations and blasting efforts.

Bridge preservation work on the Glenn Highway will cause delays near the Knik River as crews rehabilitate three bridge decks. The northbound Knik River Bridge is closed until late May, with all traffic shifted onto the southbound bridge; expect congestion, speed reductions, and follow all posted detours.

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:

https://www.usgs.gov/programs/earthquake-hazards
National Tsunami Warning Center: https://tsunami.gov/

Alaska Volcanoes:

Great Sitkin Alert Level: Watch and Aviation Color Code: Orange Mt. Spurr Alert Level: Advisory and Aviation Color Code: Yellow ATKA Volcanic Complex: Advisory and Aviation Color Code: Yellow

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

Air Quality Index (AQI) Advisories:

No active advisories/episodes are currently in effect. For the most up-to-date Air Quality Index Advisories: https://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/Air/airtoolsweb/Advisories

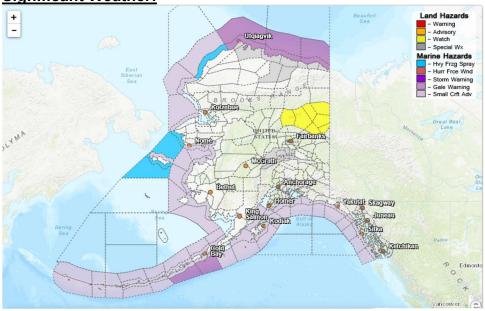
Spills of Oil and Hazardous Substances:

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

Significant Weather:



Special Weather Statement:

• Minor blowing snow until this evening.

Northern Arctic Coast; Central Beaufort Sea Coast; Eastern Beaufort Sea Coast; Central Arctic Plains

• Wet snow accumulations expected for the Parks Hwy tonight through Wednesday. Northern Denali Borough; Southern Denali Borough

Flood Watch: In effect through Wednesday morning

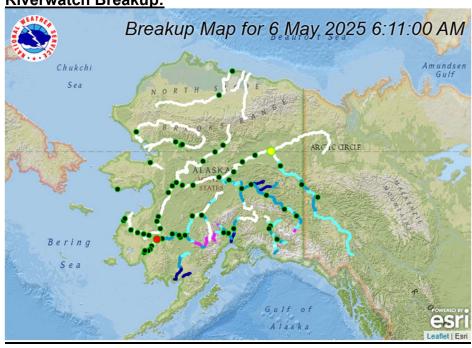
Yukon Flats

Flood Warning: in effect for an ice jam until 10 AM today.

Kuskokwim Valley West

For more information, go to https://weather.gov/arh/

Riverwatch Breakup:



Alaska Wildland 2025 Fire Season:

The Alaska Interagency Coordination Center is at Preparedness Level: 1

Total Fires YTD: 49

Total Acres: 7

There are currently 5 active fire(s) with 2 new and 0 fires staffed.

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

The Next Situation Report will be on May 7,2025. A significant situation or threat level change will prompt an interim report. This report is posted on the internet at https://ready.alaska.gov/sitrep.

To register for email distribution, <u>PLEASE</u> go to:

http://list.state.ak.us/mailman/listinfo/dhsem.situation.report.

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