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<p><u>SEOC Preparedness Level</u></p> <p align="center">Level 2 – Heightened Awareness</p>	<p align="center">http://ready.alaska.gov</p>	<p><u>Alaska Military Installation Force Protection Level:</u></p> <p align="center">FPCON Bravo</p>
<p align="center"><u>NTAS Bulletin</u> There are no current advisories</p> <p>https://www.dhs.gov/national-terrorism-advisory-system</p>	<p><u>Maritime Security (MARSEC)</u></p> <p align="center">Level:1</p> <p align="center">Minimum Appropriate Security Measures</p>	<p align="center">River Watch</p> <p align="center">https://www.weather.gov/aprfc/</p> <p align="center">Wildland Fires</p> <p align="center">https://fire.ak.blm.gov/</p>

(Significant changes from previous situation reports are red.)

Significant Issues:

2026 Riverwatch Operations:

Kuskokwim Division –

Ice jams continue to impact multiple communities along the Kuskokwim River. In McGrath, the ice jam remains near Father’s Day Slough at the south end of town. Water levels rose significantly late yesterday before dropping overnight, with flooding limited to the road near the south end of the runway.

Near Aniak, the ice jam remains approximately 11 miles downstream near Birch Crossing. Water levels in Aniak were lower overall, and water has now receded with roads and the runway dry. No substantial impacts have been reported aside from remaining ice debris. High water continues near Crow Village, and erosion at Birch Crossing is expected to impact a cabin and fish camp before waters recede.

At Lower Kalskag, ice movement began before jamming again, causing rising water levels and flooding that overtopped the road between Upper and Lower Kalskag, making it impassable by truck. Ice and diverted flow through Old River contributed to breakup activity later in the day.

From approximately 10 miles below Kalskag to upstream of Tuluksak, river ice remains mostly intact, while active breakup is occurring farther downstream toward the Kuskokuak-Kuskokwim confluence. Minor backwater flooding is affecting low-lying areas near Kwethluk due to snowmelt runoff and elevated slough conditions. Rising water levels in Kwethluk prompted activation of the community flood plan. The River Watch team remains in regular contact with the community

Incident Commander, and while no substantial inundation has been reported, a fly-over was completed over the weekend with a community visit planned if operational conditions allow.

Upper Yukon Division:

Breakup activity continues along the Upper Yukon and Porcupine Rivers. A Flood Watch remains in effect for Stevens Village as the breakup front moved just downstream today and ice continued running through the area. River Watch observed a small ice jam downstream this afternoon, with the potential for a larger jam forming in the canyon overnight that could rapidly raise water levels. Division personnel briefed the community on preparedness measures, and the community remains prepared for possible flooding.

The ice jam on the Chatanika River remains in place, though water levels have receded slightly since yesterday.

Near Fort Yukon, heavy ice movement on the Yukon River began easing by midday, while heavy ice continued moving down the Porcupine River upstream of town. Water levels remain near bankfull and are expected to stay elevated this week, with additional snowmelt potentially causing high water near Sucker Slough. Additional ice runs are expected on both rivers throughout the week.

In Chalkyitsik, flood waters have receded after impacting approximately 10 homes. Few residents remain displaced, extensive sheltering is no longer needed, and no infrastructure impacts have been reported. SEOC remains in regular contact with community leadership, and conditions are currently stable.

In Manley Hot Springs, nuisance flooding has been reported with no significant impacts. In Rampart, Division personnel briefed the community today, and flood risk remains low.

Middle Yukon Division:

Hughes remains impacted by active flooding caused by a Koyukuk River ice jam over the weekend, with sheltering ongoing under a Flood Warning. Approximately 61 residents sheltered at the Tribal Hall. Water remains in the community, and the runway is inundated and unusable, requiring Alaska State Troopers helicopter support today to deliver water supplies, conduct a pediatric medevac, and provide a round-trip assessment mission for a Tanana Chief's Conference (TCC) Response Village Public Safety Officer.

The community has completed door-to-door accountability checks and reports all residents accounted for. Concerns remain regarding possible portable water contamination, though precautionary measures were taken prior to flooding and additional water was delivered. Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation and TCC Environmental are engaged. Reports indicate impacts to the school, runway, roads, and tank farm, along with flood debris throughout town, though no substantial residential impacts or supply shortages have been reported.

SEOC remains in active contact with community. The River Watch team is planning air operations from Galena within the next 48 hours while also providing additional support for concurrent Yukon operations.

SEOC:

Mass Care has engaged Red Cross and Salvation Army partners to support needs in Hughes. Mass Care Supervisor continues to support TCC with all communities along the Yukon.

Updated information on Alaska's rivers and spring breakup can be found at: <https://www.weather.gov/aprfc/>

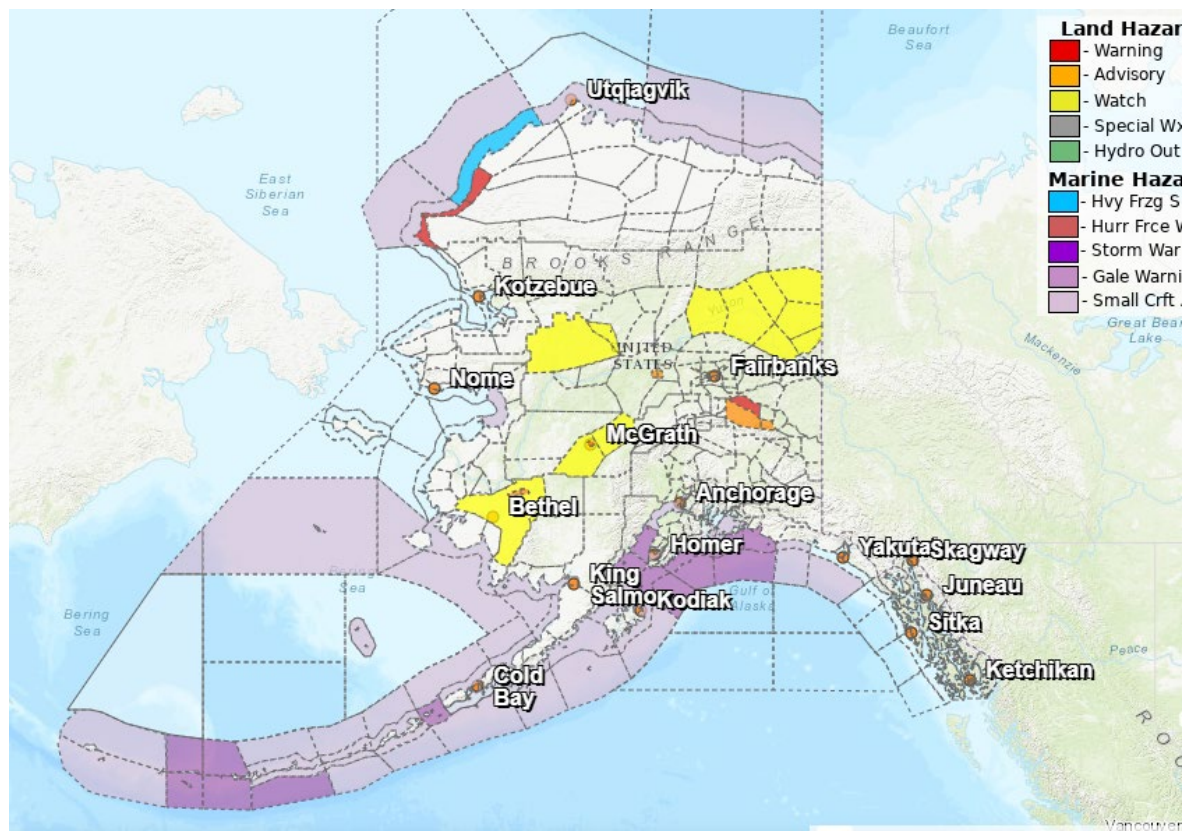
Earthquakes:

United States Geological Service (USGS) Earthquake Information: [Earthquake Hazards Program | U.S. Geological Survey](#) - National Tsunami Warning Center: <https://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/>

Significant Weather:



Flood Watch:

- Yukon Flats through Monday evening
- Upper Kuskokwim Valley through Monday evening
- Lower Koyukuk Valley through Monday evening
- Kuskokwim Valley West and Interior Kuskokwim Delta through Monday evening

Flood Warning:

- Lower Koyukuk Valley until 10pm tonight

Flood Advisory

- Kuskokwim Valley West until 8pm tonight
- Upper and Lower Kalskag until 8pm tonight
- Central Interior until 10pm tonight
- Upper Kuskokwim Valley until 10pm tonight

Blizzard Warning

- Western Arctic Coast until 4pm Monday

Red Flag Warning

- Delta Junction until 10pm this evening

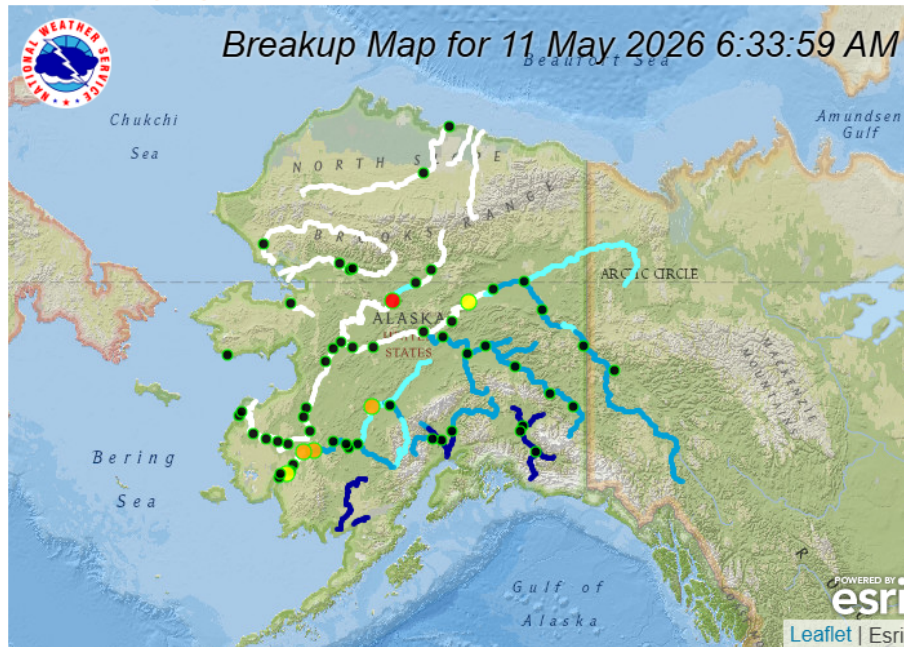
Hydrologic Outlook

- Yukon Flats for break-up conditions

For more information, click on: <https://www.weather.gov/arh/>

RIVER WATCH BREAKUP

APRFC Breakup Map



This map allows you to view the breakup status of major rivers. Click a site for more breakup information.

River Status

Unknown
Mostly Ice
Some Open
Mostly Open
Open

Community Status

No Warning
Flood Advisory
Flood Watch
Flood Warning

Flood Advisory

Issued when flooding is imminent or occurring, generally within the next 1 to 3 hours, but is not expected to substantially threaten life and property.

Flood Watch

Issued when there is the possibility of widespread general flooding over an area within the next 36 hours.

Flood Warning for River Forecast Point

Issued when a river level has exceeded, or is forecast to exceed, moderate or major flood stage.

Flood stage definitions can be found [HERE](#).

[View Recent River Notes](#)

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* EVEN THOUGH A PARTICULAR RIVER OR REACH MAY BE DESCRIBED AS MOSTLY *
* OPEN OR OPEN... IT IS STILL POSSIBLE FOR RUNS OF ICE AND DEBRIS TO *
* MOVE THROUGH AS HEADWATERS UPSTREAM BREAKUP. PLEASE USE CAUTION AT *
* ALL TIMES WHEN ATTEMPTING TO NAVIGATE RIVERS. *

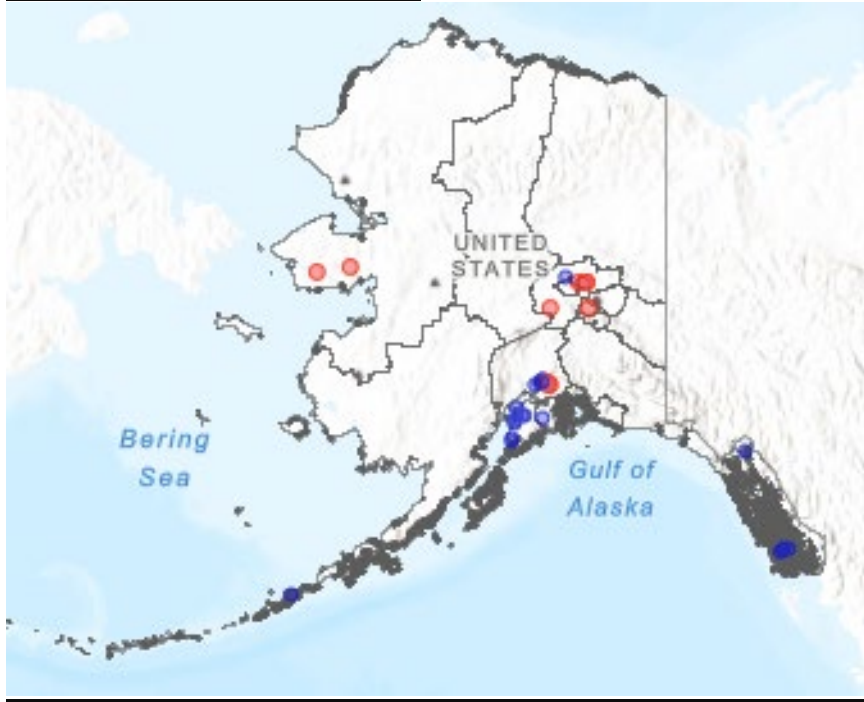
In 2018 the Alaska River Ice Breakup Map was developed as a webservice ([service link](#)).

For more information, go to <https://www.weather.gov/aprfc/>

Avalanche Conditions:

For more information and the most current avalanche conditions, go to <https://alaskasnow.org> and <https://www.weather.gov/afc/avalancheweather>

2026 Wildland Fire Season:



The Alaska Interagency Coordination Center is at Preparedness Level: 1

Total Fires YTD: **35**

Total Acres: **21.4**

There are currently **12 active fires with 2 new and 0 fires staffed.**

Current Fire Information can be found at:

<https://www.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/71b0377b3c3d4f719e11b8caa50fb529>

Current Fire Weather can be found at:

<https://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/weather.php>

Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management Public Information:

For current press releases, see: <https://ready.alaska.gov/PublicInformation/PressReleases>

Department of Health (DOH):

For current information, see: <https://health.alaska.gov/en/>

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://dqgs.alaska.gov/hazards/barry-arm-landslide.html>

Alaska Cyber Security Information:

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

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

Air Quality Index (AQI) Advisories:

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/ppr/spill-information/response/>

The Next Situation Report will be on **May 12, 2026**. A significant change in situation or threat level will prompt an interim report. This report is posted on the internet at <https://ready.alaska.gov/sitrep>.

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