

# ALASKA DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



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| SEOC Preparedness Level  Heightened Awareness – Response to COVID-19 and Recovery from December Southeast Storms | http://ready.alaska.gov  | National Terrorism Advisory System:  View this site for the latest NTAS bulletin: read the current NTAS Bulletin here. |
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| 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 in red.)

# **THREAT LEVEL CHANGES:**

None

#### **Significant Issues:**

#### **Tuluksak Water System Fire:**

The SEOC will be deploying an Emergency Management Specialist to support the response and recovery efforts that are underway for the community.

Remote water maintenance workers, contractors, and the Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corporation have laid pipe to the Tuluksak River and expect to insert a pump. The team anticipates being able to pump water in and to have water for the school system this week. Next week they intend to begin thawing the water transmission line. Once operational, this temporary water system will provide non-potable water for a laundry facility, and hopefully the fire suppression systems for the school. SEOC is in regular contact with community leadership to address any immediate needs

#### **Nuigsut freezing issues**

The Native Village of Nuiqsut contacted the SEOC yesterday afternoon requesting assistance with frozen homes and infrastructure. The SEOC contacted North Slope Borough (NSB) Emergency Management. NSB contacted the community and reported to the SEOC that there were no current issues that are beyond the capabilities of the Borough to assist. The SEOC contacted the DEC to see if they needed to address any drinking water issues, and also contacted the FEMA tribal liaison for situational awareness.

#### **Selawik Power Outage:**

AVEC continues to work on restoration of power to Selawik. Several regional organizations continue to assist the community. The SEOC will remain in contact with the community to identify any needs for assistance.

#### Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic:

A unified command has been established at the SEOC. The SEOC continues to support statewide response to COVID-19.

### State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS)

DHSS is operating as the Medical Branch under the State EOC/Unified Command.

For more information about the outbreak refer to:

https://covid19.alaska.gov/

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

The Alaska DHSS website is located at http://dhss.alaska.gov/Pages/default.aspx

#### **NTAS BULLETIN**

The United States Department of Homeland Security has issued a National Terrorism Advisory System Bulletin effective January 27, 2021 for a heightened threat environment across the United States.

Read the bulletin here: <a href="https://www.dhs.gov/sites/default/files/ntas/alerts/21\_0127\_ntas-bulletin.pdf">https://www.dhs.gov/sites/default/files/ntas/alerts/21\_0127\_ntas-bulletin.pdf</a>

#### **Travel Alerts and Conditions**

COVID-19 Health Advisories may affect travel. Check <a href="https://covid19.alaska.gov/">https://covid19.alaska.gov/</a> for current advisories.

For current driving conditions dial 511 or link to http://511.alaska.gov/

#### **Barry Arm Landslide / Tsunami Risk**

For the latest information on the Barry Arm Landslide and Tsunami risk, click here:

DGGS Barry Arm Landslide and Tsunami Hazard

#### Recent Earthquakes

USGS Earthquake Information: <a href="http://earthquake.usgs.gov/">http://earthquake.usgs.gov/</a> National Tsunami Warning Center: <a href="http://tsunami.gov/">http://tsunami.gov/</a>

#### Alaska Volcanoes

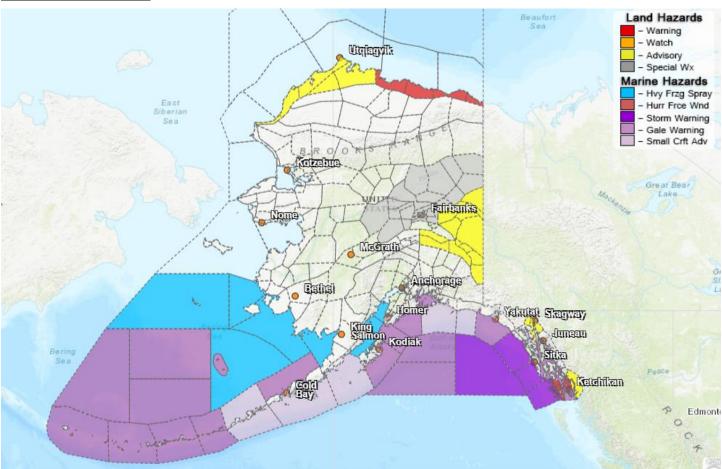
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For Alaska Volcano updates, go to: https://www.avo.alaska.edu/

#### Air Quality Index (AQI) Advisories

For the most up to date Air Quality Index Advisories:

# Significant Weather:



Winter Weather Advisories are in effect for the Misty Fjords, and Haines Borough until tomorrow morning for snow accumulation of 3-8 inches.

High Wind Advisories are in effect for the Dixon Entrance to Cape Decision and Southern Inner Channels until noon today for East winds of 25-35mph with gusts up to 60mph.

Wind Chill Advisories and Warnings are in effect for the Northern and Western Arctic Coasts and the Central and Eastern Beaufort Sea Coasts until noon on Friday.

A Winter Weather Advisory is in effect for the Eastern Alaska Range until 9:00pm tonight.

A Special Weather Statement has been issued for the Central, Eastern and Western Interior. Light snow is expected across the region through Thursday.

For more information and the most current weather, Watches / Warnings / Advisories go to: http://www.weather.gov/arh

#### **Avalanche Forecast:**

Check the Avalanche Forecast Center closest to your area for the most up to date information on Avalanche potential. <a href="https://alaskasnow.org/">https://alaskasnow.org/</a> or <a href="https://www.weather.gov/afc/avalanche">https://alaskasnow.org/</a> or <a href="https://www.weather.gov/afc/avalanche">https://www.weather.gov/afc/avalanche</a>

## **Spills of Oil and Hazardous Substances**

The ADEC Spill Prevention and Response page is located at:

http://dec.alaska.gov/spar/ppr/spill-information/response/

# **Alaska Cyber Security Information**

State Employees may sign up for cybersecurity notifications and alerts at <a href="https://oit.alaska.gov/Security">https://oit.alaska.gov/Security</a>

<u>The Next Situation Report:</u> will be 19 February 2021. A significant change in the situation or the threat level will prompt an interim report.

This report is posted on the internet at <a href="https://ready.alaska.gov/sitrep">https://ready.alaska.gov/sitrep</a>. To register for email distribution, go to <a href="https://list.state.ak.us/mailman/listinfo/dhsem.situation.report">https://list.state.ak.us/mailman/listinfo/dhsem.situation.report</a>. Direct questions regarding this report to the SEOC at 907-428-7100 or <a href="mailto:seoc@alaska.gov">seoc@alaska.gov</a>