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(Significant changes from previous situation reports are in red.)

**Significant Issues:**

**Statewide Fires**

The Alaska Interagency Coordination Center (AICC) is coordinating statewide wildland firefighting suppression efforts on 13 staffed fires across Alaska with 550 personnel at Planning Level 3 of 5. Overall, there are 89 active fires in the state, with 6 new yesterday and 72 being monitored – some of which are being suppressed only with occasional aircraft operations. To date over 980,000 acres have burned. Emergency Management agencies across the state are engaged in response to fire impacts on persons and property.

The lightening caused East Fork Fire (#160), at over 153,000 acres, is burning near St. Mary’s, Mountain Village, Pilots Station, and Pitkas Point. 241 firefighters are assigned to this fire under the command of the Alaska Type II Green Incident Management Team.

Last week, when the fire risk to the communities near the East Fork Fire increased, several vulnerable persons were relocated to Bethel. The Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corporation, Red Cross, and Alaska National Guard opened two shelters, one at the National Guard Armory and one at the Gladys Jung Elementary School, for relocated residents. As the fire risk decreases, relocated residents are being returned to their communities. Yesterday the shelter at the school was closed, while the Armory sheltered 53 relocated persons overnight.

SEOC has a Mass Care Group Supervisor in Bethel supporting State disaster response coordination for the communities threatened by fire and six additional Alaska Organized Militia service members began arriving in Bethel last night to support shelter operations there.

In addition, multiple organizations are supporting the Mass Care response to the East Fork fire with food, supplies, donations, and counseling including the Salvation Army, Alaska Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters, Association of Village Council Presidents, City of Bethel, Lower Kuskokwim School District, Bethel Lions Club, local churches, and the public.

In addition to the East Fork Fire, SEOC is actively engaged with other communities near fires to provide support for non-suppression needs while AICC coordinates fire suppression.

The full statewide fire situation update is available from AICC (link referenced below under fire section of this SITREP) and a special fire fuels advisory for the state is also linked.
**Yukon Territories Canada – Flooding:**

The Yukon Territories Emergency Coordination Center advised SEOC that they have moved to Level 2 of 3 in response to flooding throughout the Territory and that there may be operational impacts to roads coming into Alaska in the coming week.

**Spring Flood Disaster**


**Threat Level Changes:**

None.

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

DHSS is now leading the State of Alaska COVID-19 Recovery through Department Operations, supported by SEOC and other state departments as required.

For current COVID-19 information, see:
- [https://covid19.alaska.gov/](https://covid19.alaska.gov/)

**NTAS Bulletin**

To read current or expired advisories, click the link below:
- [https://www.dhs.gov/national-terrorism-advisory-system](https://www.dhs.gov/national-terrorism-advisory-system)

**Travel Alerts and Conditions**

For current driving conditions dial 511 or link to [https://511.alaska.gov/](https://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](https://www.dgs.state.ak.us/barryarm)

**Recent Earthquakes**


National Tsunami Warning Center: [http://tsunami.gov/](http://tsunami.gov/)

**Alaska Volcanoes**

- **Great Sitkin** Alert Level: **Watch** and Aviation Color Code: **Orange**
- **Cleveland** Alert Level: **Advisory** and Aviation Color Code: **Yellow**
- **Pavlov** Alert Level: **Watch** and Aviation Color Code: **Orange**
- **Semisopochnoi** Alert Level: **Watch** and Aviation Color Code: **Orange**

For Alaska Volcano updates, go to: [https://www.avo.alaska.edu/](https://www.avo.alaska.edu/)

**Air Quality Index (AQI) Advisories**

Air quality advisory for Southwest Alaska will be impacted by smoke from a complex of fires located throughout the southwest region. Advisory issued until end of event.
Air quality advisory for Western Interior Alaska will be impacted by smoke from Southwest, Hog Butte, and Submarine Creek fires. Advisory will be issued until end of event.

Air Quality will vary between GOOD and UNHEALTHY depending on wind flow and proximity to the fires in all the above areas.

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 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 cyber security notifications and alerts at https://oit.alaska.gov/security

CISA-Cybersecurity Services and Tools: www.cisa.gov/free-cybersecurity-services-and-tools

**Significant Weather:**

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

**Fire Weather:**

For more information and the most current fire related weather and warnings, go to: https://dnr.alaska.gov/burn or: https://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/weather.php

Special Fuels and Fire Behavior information visit: https://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/weather/outlooks/FFBehavior.pdf
Burn permit suspension in effect for Salcha, Rail Belt and Fairbanks areas through today

**2022 Fire Season:**

The Alaska Interagency Coordination Center is at Preparedness Level 3. Wildland fire totals for 2022:

- Total Fires: 265
- Total Acres: 916,879 There are currently 91 active fire(s) with 15 fire(s) staffed.

Current fire information is at [https://fire.ak.blm.gov/](https://fire.ak.blm.gov/) or [https://akfireinfo.com](https://akfireinfo.com)

**The Next Situation Report:** will be 20 June 2022. A significant change in the situation or the threat level will prompt an interim report. This report is posted on the internet at [https://ready.alaska.gov/sitrep](https://ready.alaska.gov/sitrep). To register for email distribution, go to [http://list.state.ak.us/mailman/listinfo/dhsem.situation.report](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](mailto:seoc@alaska.gov)