

## ALASKA DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

# SITUATION REPORT 18–290 • OCTOBER 17, 2018



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SEOC Preparedness Level Level 2 – heightened sense of awareness	http://ready.alaska.gov	National Terrorism Advisory System: View this site for the latest NTAS bulletin: You can read the new NTAS Bulletin here.
Maritime Security (MARSEC) Level:1-Significant Risk	WHO Post Pandemic: Disease activity at seasonal levels.	Alaska Military Installation Force Protection Level: FPCON Bravo

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

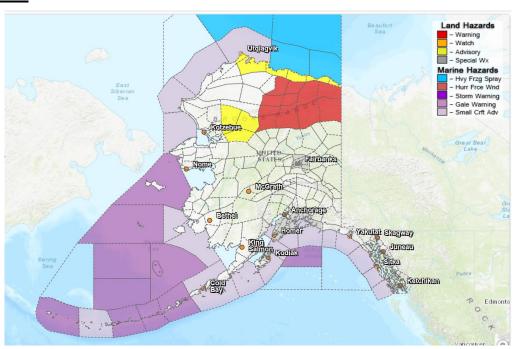
#### **THREAT LEVEL CHANGES**

NONE

#### **DHS&EM OPERATIONS**

Seward Flooding: Over the weekend, the Kenai Peninsula Borough, (KPB) emergency manager contacted the SEOC to report of ongoing flooding in Seward due to heavy rainfall. The Lowell Point Bridge was threatened by runoff from the Lowell Creek requiring emergency protective measures and flood-fighting operations. Flood protection barriers were also placed in one subdivision. There is also flooding along Mile 3 and Mile 5 of the Seward Highway near the Bear Creek Fire Station. Japanese Creek was diverted towards the mountain and is flowing through the road wash out through the alders near the waste transfer site. Per a KPB request, the SEOC Operations Section has sent an individual to assist the KPB EOC. The City of Seward has declared a local disaster and sought assistance from KPB. As well, the SEOC has received the Kenai Peninsula Borough declaration of disaster emergency, a notification letter from the City Manager of Seward to the Mayor outlining the specifics of their emergency declaration made October 13. The KPB emergency manager reports the borough activated their incident management team (IMT) yesterday in response to the flooding in and around Seward.

#### **Significant Weather**



Poor weather statewide continues. There is a Winter Storm Warning from the Southeastern Brooks Range, Northern Brooks Range and Arctic Coastal Plain to the Koyukuk River through 6 A.M. Thursday morning. Upper Kobuk and Noatak Valleys are under Winter Weather Advisory now in effect until 6 am akdt Thursday.

Additionally, there is a Special Weather Statement for Western Kenai Peninsula, the Western, Southeast, and Northeast Prince William sound, including the Cities of Kenai, Soldotna, Homer, Cooper landing, Whittier, Seward, Girdwood, Moose pass, Valdez, Thompson Pass, and Cordova. The Statement is for strong winds and heavy rain expected again Thursday and Friday along the north gulf coast and southern cook inlet.

Follow these links for the most current watches / warnings / advisories, http://www.weather.gov/arh/.

#### 2018 Fire Season

The Alaska Interagency Coordination Center is at Preparedness Level 1.

Wildland fire totals as of Oct.12 for 2018:

- Total Fires = 360
- Total Acres = 411,591.3

Updates to this report will occur subject to activity.

Current fire information is at <a href="https://fire.ak.blm.gov/">https://akfireinfo.com/</a>

#### Air Quality Index (AQI) Advisories

The Fairbanks air quality condition is Good. Air alert: None

The North Pole air quality condition is Good. Air alert: None

Please see the following links for current air quality advisories:

Alaska DEC Air Quality Advisories: <a href="http://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/Air/airtoolsweb/Advisories/Index">http://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/Air/airtoolsweb/Advisories/Index</a>

Fairbanks NSB Air Quality Division: <a href="http://co.fairbanks.ak.us/airquality/">http://co.fairbanks.ak.us/airquality/</a>

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

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

#### 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/

#### **Recent Earthquakes**

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

#### Travel Advisory

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

#### **Alaska Volcanoes**

**Semisopochnoi** Alert Level: <u>Advisory</u> and Aviation Color Code: <u>Yellow</u>

**Veniaminof** Alert Level: <u>Watch</u> and Aviation Color Code: <u>Orange</u> **Cleveland** Alert Level: <u>Advisory</u> and Aviation Color Code: <u>Yellow</u>

Great Sitkin Alert Level: Advisory and Aviation Color Code: Yellow

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

### Alaska Cyber Security Information

State Employees may sign up for cyber security notifications and alerts at

https://oit.alaska.gov/Security

<u>The Next Situation Report:</u> will be 18 October 2018 at 8:00 am. A significant change in the situation or the threat level will prompt an interim report.

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