



State Emergency Operations Center
2013 Spring Floods, AK DHSEM 13-F004
Date: June 24, 2013 Time: 1500 hrs
SEOC Preparedness Level 3



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Incident Overview

State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) Activated to Level 3

- I. The SEOC is activated to level 3, actual event, for 2013 Spring Flooding Operations.
- II. On May 31st the Governor declared a disaster for the following Regional Education Attendance Areas (REAA): Alaska Gateway, Yukon Flats, Yukon-Koyukuk and Copper River. This declaration was amended adding the Lower Yukon REAA on June 12, 2013.
- III. On June 14 the Governor requested Federal Disaster Assistance in all affected areas for Individual and Public Assistance and Mitigation Statewide.
- IV. The State remains fully engaged in response activities in Galena. The Incident Management Team (IMT) will remain in place for the near future.
- V. Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHS&EM) and Adventist Community Services (ACS) have a memorandum of agreement (MOA) for donations management. ACS and DHS&EM are coordinating for the donations management operations. A warehouse location has been accepted by ACS. ACS will begin receiving donations when items requested by community officials are available.

Recovery Efforts

Disaster Assistance Centers (DACs)

- Eagle June 24, 2013
 - Library 9am-6pm
- Galena June 25-July 2, 2013
 - GILA School 9am-6pm
- Alakanuk July 9, 2013
 - Location TBD
- Emmonak July 9, 2013
 - Community Complex Conference Room 9am-6pm

The Individual Assistance Hotline (1-855-445-7131) and Online Registration form opened for individuals who wish to begin their application for the State Individual Family Grant and Temporary Housing Programs without attending a DAC (<http://ready.alaska.gov/recovery/IA>). The State is determining the facility locations and dates to open centers in Anchorage and Fairbanks for evacuees who know and can report damages who are unable to attend the DAC in Galena.

Community Updates

Galena

- Replacement Incident Management Team (IMT) arrived on Monday June 24, 2013
- DHS&EM is providing staff for a Disaster Assistance Center and a Recovery Team to augment the IMT
- Two EMT/RNs arrived in Galena to augment the local emergency medical capability
- DOT has opened the road to the landfill and will continue to assess future use daily
- Upon further review the initial sampling results for water and soil samples taken at the sewage lagoon are much less of a concern than originally thought. DEC is working to develop a transformer stabilization and disposal plan
- Volunteer and Donations Management coordinator is working on-
 - Drafting community lists of needs

- Collecting and transporting donated goods from Fairbanks to Nenana for loading on the barge
- Debris continues to be burned at the temporary land-fill with the use of the incinerator
- Hazmat teams continue to collect, store and segregate hazardous materials

Note: Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters (VOAD) is coordinating volunteer and donations management with City Officials.

Emmonak

- Power was restored to the airstrip AWOS system
 - AT&T will begin work on the system line
- Access road to the airport has been restored

Alakanuk

- A community relations/tribal liaison will work with the city to provide assistance to address the human remains from the cemetery exposed by flooding
- Boil Water Notice still in effect
 - The water system is not producing water yet but is being worked on
- The tank pad at the water plant was washed out slightly and the city has concerns about refilling the tanks
- Possible lagoon berm damage

Gulkana

- The access bridge between the Richardson Highway and the Fish Hatchery has been impacted by flood waters and is impassable
- Several structures within the area have been damaged

The SEOC continues to monitor flood warnings, watches, and advisories, with due regard for at-risk communities; as well as the State’s current volcano and wildland fire hazard status. The SEOC continues to coordinate resource requests from local jurisdictions.

The State DEC has activated its EOC in support of this event. DOT, DHSS, AST, USACE, Tanana Chiefs Conference, ANTHC, Red Cross and many others continue to support the recovery efforts in all affected communities.

Preliminary Damage Assessments

The Preliminary Damage Assessments are complete

The numbers and damages listed below are from initial assessments and are not confirmed

State of Alaska Overall Damage	
Totals-IA	Destroyed: 15 Major Damage: 110 Minor Damage: 90 Affected: 31
Totals- Community PA Estimates	\$10,205,100.00
Grand Total	\$10,205,100.00



Weather Forecast



Yukon Flats and Surrounding Uplands

Tonight: Mostly cloudy. Isolated thunderstorms in the evening. Lows in the 50s. Light winds.

Tuesday: Partly sunny in the morning then clearing. Highs in the 80s. Northeast winds to 10 mph.

Upper Koyukuk Valley

Tonight: Increasing clouds. Lows in the mid 50s. Light winds.

Tuesday: Partly sunny. Highs in the 80s. Light winds.

Lower Koyukuk and Middle Yukon Valleys

Tonight: Mostly cloudy. Areas of smoke. Lows in the mid to upper 50s. Northeast winds to 10 mph.

Tuesday: Mostly cloudy. Areas of smoke. Highs in the 80s. Northeast winds to 10 mph.

Copper River Basin

Tonight: Partly cloudy with isolated showers in the evening... Then clear after midnight. Lows in the mid 40s to lower 50s. Light winds.

Tuesday: Partly cloudy with isolated showers in the evening... Then clear after midnight. Lows in the mid 40s to lower 50s. Light winds.

Central Interior

Tonight: Partly cloudy. Areas of smoke. Lows in the mid to upper 50s. Light winds.

Tuesday: Partly cloudy. Areas of smoke. Lows in the mid to upper 50s. Light winds.

Flood Products

Flood Warning None

Flood Watch None

Flood Advisory None

Other Significant Status

Statewide

Red Flag Warnings

Upper Kuskokwim Valley, Yukon Flats and surrounding uplands, Central Interior and Middle Tanana Valley areas with warnings are in effect through 9:00 p.m. Wednesday evening June 26.

Volcano Warnings

Pavlof – Orange (Watch)

Veniaminof – Orange (Watch)

Cleveland – Yellow (Advisory)

Talking Points 6.24.13

- Preliminary Damage Assessments have been completed.
- The governor submitted a Request for Federal Assistance on June 14, 2013.
- State Disaster Assistance Programs have been activated.
- Individual Assistance Disaster Assistance Centers (DAC's) are open – schedule noted in situation report.
 - The State Individual Disaster Assistance Hotline (1-855-445-7131) and Online Registration (<http://ready.alaska.gov/recovery/IA>) are open and receiving IA applications.
 - Public Assistance will be available for State, Tribal and local governments, and certain types of Private Nonprofit organizations that are eligible under the Public Assistance program. More information at <http://ready.alaska.gov/recovery/PublicAssistance>.
- The Red Cross is offering Financial Assistance for those affected by the floods, for more information: 907-646-5401
- TCC is giving disaster assistance from its emergency funds to native residents of Galena, and is raising donations to give disaster assistance to non-native residents of Galena.
- **Donations/Volunteering:** Many organizations (i.e., Tanana Chiefs Conference, American Red Cross of Alaska and other NGO's) are coordinating volunteers and donations. Individuals wishing to support these efforts are reminded to work through these organizations. More information: <http://ready.alaska.gov/Updates/Donations>

Current information and photos can be found at www.ready.alaska.gov/updates

The next SITREP for this incident will be Tuesday, June 25, 2013