



State Emergency Operations Center
2013 Spring Floods, AK DHSEM 13-F004
Date: June 26, 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 25, 2013 the Federal Declaration for Disaster Assistance was approved for the following areas:
 - INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE (Assistance to individuals and households):
Alaska Gateway Regional Educational Attendance Area (REAA),
Lower Yukon REAA, Yukon Flats REAA, and the Yukon-Koyukuk REAA.

 - PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (Assistance for emergency work and the repair or replacement of disaster-damaged facilities):
Alaska Gateway Regional Educational Attendance Area (REAA), Copper River REAA,
Lower Yukon REAA, Yukon Flats REAA, and the Yukon-Koyukuk REAA.
Direct federal assistance is authorized.
- 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

State and federal officials announce the operation of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) teleregistration line to assist those who have been affected by the 2013 Spring Flood.

Individuals who have already registered with the State IFG program will need to call and apply with FEMA by calling **1-800-621-FEMA (3362)** or **1-800-462-7585 (TTY)** for the hearing- or speech- impaired. Hours of operation are 7:00 a.m. -10:00 p.m. local time seven days a week.

The State Individual Assistance Hotline (1-855-445-7131) and Online Registration form is open for individuals *who reside in the Copper River REAA* and who wish to begin their application for the State Individual Family Grant and Temporary Housing Programs (<http://ready.alaska.gov/recovery/IA>).

Community Updates

Galena

- VIP visit was conducted today with the community leaders
- A security team will be in Galena today supporting the GILA School, support facilities and grounds
- EMT/RNs are 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
- Insulation and sheetrock debris is being hauled to the landfill as road access is available
- Debris continues to be burned at the solid waste storage area 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 completed 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 clear. Lows in the mid 50s to upper 60s. Light winds.

Thursday: Mostly sunny. Isolated showers in the morning...then isolated thunderstorms in the afternoon. Highs in the 80s. Light winds.

Upper Koyukuk Valley

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

Thursday: Mostly cloudy. Isolated rain showers in the morning... Then scattered rain showers in the afternoon. Areas of smoke. Highs in the 70s. Light winds.

Lower Koyukuk and Middle Yukon Valleys

Tonight: Mostly cloudy with isolated thunderstorms. Areas of smoke. Lows in the lower 50s to lower 60s. Light winds.

Thursday: Decreasing clouds. Isolated rain showers. Areas of smoke. Highs in the lower to mid 70s. West winds to 10 mph.

Copper River Basin

Tonight: Numerous showers and scattered thunderstorms in the evening...then isolated showers after midnight. Lows in the lower to mid 50s. Variable wind 10 mph.

Thursday: Partly sunny. Isolated showers in the morning...then isolated thunderstorms in the afternoon. Highs in the lower 70s to lower 80s. South winds 10 to 20 mph in the afternoon...strongest along the copper river.

Central Interior

Tonight: Mostly cloudy with isolated thunderstorms. Areas of smoke. Lows in the upper 50s to lower 60s. Light winds.

Thursday: Mostly cloudy with scattered showers. Areas of smoke. Isolated thunderstorms in the afternoon. Highs in the lower to mid 80s. 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) Ashfall advisory now in effect until noon AKDT today for South and West of Pavlof volcano

Veniaminof – Orange (Watch)

Cleveland – Yellow (Advisory)

Talking Points 6.26.13

- 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.
- 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 Thursday, June 27, 2013