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SEOC Update: 2025 October West Coast Storm – Disaster Update

JOINT BASE ELMENDORF RICHARDSON, Alaska — The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) remains at Level 4 – Major Incident Response. The SEOC is coordinating a state led, federally supported, and locally executed effort in the response and recovery to the 2025 West Coast Storms.

The Request for Assistance that was submitted by Governor Dunleavy to President Trump, has been approved and a Major Disaster Declaration has been made. This declaration grants access to the federal Individual Assistance (IA) and Public Assistance (PA) programs for the following areas:

Lower Kuskokwim Regional Educational Attendance Area
Lower Yukon Regional Educational Attendance Area
Northwest Arctic Borough.

The SEOC continues transitioning from response to recovery activity. Coordination remains ongoing with federal, state, local, and tribal partners to deliver critical supplies and address emerging community needs. Efforts are focused on conducting detailed damage assessments to homes and restoring essential infrastructure — including water, power, and communications systems — as winterization becomes an increasing priority across the impacted areas.

Statewide operations focus on stabilization, recovery, and winterization across the Y-K Delta and other impacted regions. Department of Transportation is prioritizing residential damage assessments in coordination with multiple agencies.

They have delivered 150,000 lbs. of lumber to Bethel for staging to surrounding communities. Department of Environmental Conservation deployed field teams to conduct environmental condition checks and address community spill concerns. They continue conducting environmental and spill-response operations in coordination with the U.S. Coast Guard. The Division of Forestry & Fire Protection (DOF&FP) has field crews performing debris removal, muck outs, and home repairs.

As of this afternoon, 1,103 applications for state Individual Assistance (IA) have been received. The state IA program provides financial assistance for damages to primary residences, vehicles, essential personal property, and medical, funeral, or dental needs directly resulting from the declared disaster

It is crucial that those who are impacted by the recent storms register for both state Individual Assistance and federal Individual Assistance as well as begin the process of registration for housing.

State of Alaska Individual Assistance (IA) – Deadline is December 9, 2025

To register for State of Alaska Individual Assistance:

Call 1-844-445-7131, Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Or apply online <https://ready.alaska.gov/Recovery/IA>

FEMA Individual Assistance (IA) – Deadline is December 22, 2025

To register for FEMA Individual Assistance:

Call 1-800-621-3362, 7 days a week, 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Or apply online at <https://disasterassistance.gov>

Red Cross Assistance

To Register for assistance through the American Red Cross:

Call 1-800-RED-CROSS

To begin the process of registration for housing in the Non-Congregate Shelter Program, call the Assistance Line at 907-759-6927, Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Congregate shelters remain open in Anchorage and Bethel. Additional survivors may be sheltering with neighbors, family, or friends in multiple communities. Last night, a total of 319 individuals were reported sheltering: Egan Center – 172 and Alaska Airlines Center – 147.

Alaska 211 can connect you with available local resources that best fit your needs. Call 2-1-1 or 1-800-478-2221. Email: alaska211@ak.org or visit www.Alaska211.org. Native Alaskan language interpretation services are available.

Pets continue to go to shelters in Anchorage and Mat-Su. Reunification with their owners is the primary goal. Evacuees can contact the shelters below to find out if their dog is there.

Mat-Su Animal Shelter: 907-746-5500 or 907-761-7501

Anchorage Shelter: 907-343-8138

If you have a dog that did not evacuate with you, text a picture to the Bethel Friends of Canines at 907-707-7010, and the staff will contact you.

Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium is continuing to accept donations of traditional foods at the Alaska Native Medical Center and is providing subsistence-based meals for shelter residents along with medical support.

There are 29 active missions under the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) with participation from 12 states providing emergency management, public assistance, individual assistance and logistics personnel.

A list of resources related to the disaster is available at ready.alaska.gov, under Top News.

Interagency Partner Operations

Alaska Organized Militia (AKOM): AKOM has 113 members activated on State Active Duty with additional authorization as needed for disaster response. 7 active missions are underway. In cooperation with Alaska Division of Forestry and Fire Prevention, crews are continuing to perform muck outs, home repairs and debris removal.

American Red Cross: Overnight, the Red Cross sheltered 172 individuals at the Egan Center and 147 at the Alaska Airlines Center. They continue to assist with the non-congregate housing mission.

Anchorage School District (ASD): School bus service continues to be provided from the shelters to schools. Yup'ik immersion programs continue. ASD is actively working with families where students will be picked up from the shelter and dropped off at their new hotel today.

Association of Village Council Presidents (AVCP): AVCP is continuing to work with Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation to conduct detailed community assessments, support home repairs, coordinate debris removal, and assist with collection of IA applications efforts in affected YK Delta communities. Staff from AVCP are available at the Anchorage shelters for assistance with Tribal ID cards. AVCP plans to hire 50 local workers for home repairs, including 10 crew bosses and a mix of laborers and carpenters. AVCP is also Coordinating donations logistics with American Red Cross, Team Rubicon, and Operation Airdrop.

Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation (YKHC): YKHC crews are actively working in Kwigillingok and Kongiganak. Kipnuk clinic teams will remain through October 27th. Recovery teams are restoring water service, testing for contamination, and repairing fuel lines, wells, and damaged access roads. The Social Security Administration (SSA) is on-site at shelters using medical records as ID in coordination with YKHC as needed.

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