

Situation Report • April 13, 2020

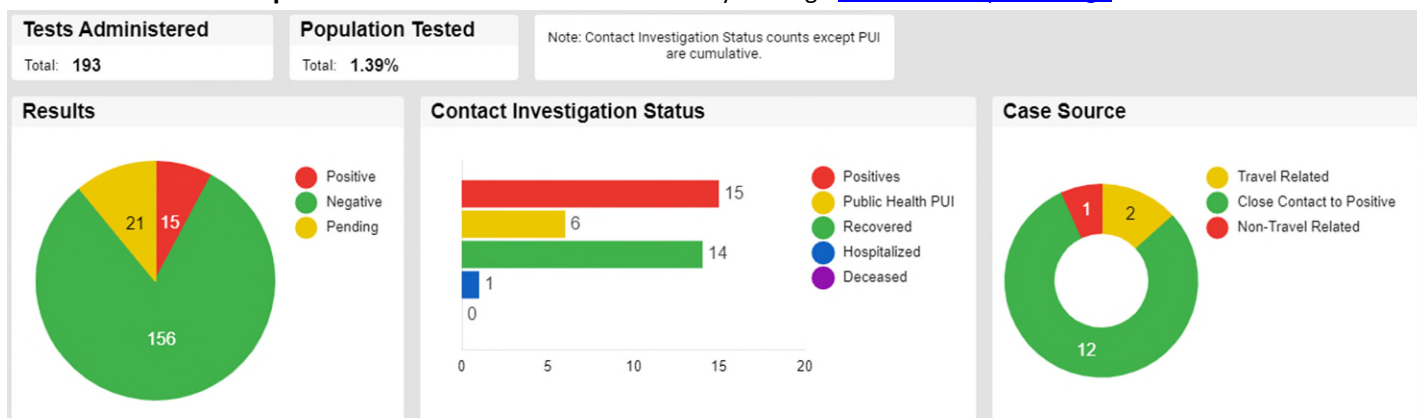
SEOC Preparedness Level Level 3 – for COVID-19 Response	Maritime Security (MARSEC) Level 1 - Minimum Appropriate Security Measures	National Terrorism Advisory System Latest NTAS Bulletin
Ketchikan EOC Activation Level Steady State Operation – Fully Staffed Ketchikan COVID-19 Response EOC Direct: 907-228-2366	Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19): CDC Updates CDC Situation Report WHO Updates WHO Situation Report	Alaska Military Installation Force Protection Level: FPCON Bravo

(Significant changes from previous situation reports are in red)

COVID-19 Alaska Specific Information:

- Alaska Department of Health and Social Services [COVID-19 Dashboard](#)
- Alaska COVID-19 Health [Alerts](#) and [Mandates](#):
 - April 13, 2020 Health Mandate 14 Non-congregate Sheltering Order
 - April 9, 2020 Extended Mandate 6 until rescinded
 - April 9, 2020 Extended Mandate 11 and 12 until April 21, 2020
 - April 9, 2020 Extended Mandate 13 through the end of the school year

COVID-19 Ketchikan Specific Information: Ketchikan Gateway Borough [COVID-19 Response Page](#)



COVID-19 Unified Command Objectives:

- Safeguard health & safety of personnel and the public
- Slow/stop the spread of COVID-19
- Increase COVID-19 testing capacity
- Care for the sick
- Provide public information
- Mitigate community/economic impact

COVID-19 Ketchikan EOC Actions:

- EOC - All command and general staff positions have been filled and the EOC has entered steady state operation.
- Peace Health has a 9 bed COVID-19 unit with ability to add approximately 50 additional beds for moderate COVID- 19 patients by repurposing other areas of the hospital.
- Developing plans/guidance regarding re-opening businesses & facilities to include process & timing considerations.
- Operations and Unified Command staff continue to ensure all Local providers are committed to working with EOC to increase testing capacity and share data regarding number of tests completed and PPE used and available.
- 3 drive-thru test sites are planned for testing all symptomatic individuals once enough testing resources are available.
- A local phone number is set up for individuals without a provider to call for screening and possible referral to a provider or a drive through testing site once available. The phone number is 907-247-TEST (8378) and will be available M-F 8am – 6pm, Sat 10am – 4pm, and closed on Sunday. The COVID-19 Hotline has taken **82** calls and generated 4 testing referrals.
- Finance and the Unified Command are developing a plan for payment to cover the hotline consultation and testing for those unable to pay.
- **Logistics and Operations are identifying medical professionals who may be able to assist in surge operations.**
- Finance section and PIO office are developing an information campaign to communicate resource and funding programs designed to provide aid to individuals and businesses.
- PIO office continues to release multiple social media updates throughout the day (**Seasonal/Essential Business Plan webpage, Ketchikan Census Response, and Crisis and Domestic Violence hotlines.**) and produce a daily ad for the Ketchikan Daily News (**4/14 Crisis and Domestic Violence Hotlines**) and a daily press release **as well as providing information about reporting health mandate violations.**
- PIO Office updated the Seasonal Business Resources page on the Borough COVID-19 website.
- The PIO is developing resource information targeting older residents **and continues outreach to this population.**
- The PIO Office created and published a 2020 Census webpage, this is important because having an accurate count impacts federal funding for various programs including disaster emergency response and recovery efforts for the next 10 years.
- **PIO Office developed a PSA on programs and services for businesses on Facebook and television.**
- The Liaison Officer continues to conduct daily outreach with elected officials **and businesses** to address concerns and share information.
- **Planning Section continues to evaluate seasonal/fishig industry plans & prepare input to regarding potential mandates**
- Resources Unit Leader will be working with Ketchikan Wellness Coalition and other local non-profits to create a volunteer database and identify volunteers.
- Homeless shelter operations are running 24/7 and occupancy continues to increase, **all 30 cots have been assigned and 10 additional cots have been requested to ensure space is available should additional occupants arrive seeking shelter.**
- Shelter screening procedures have resulted in the identification and testing of **2** occupants with elevated temperature.
- **Operations Section is adjusting processes for shelter staff to maximize effectiveness in reducing the spread of COVID-19.**
- Medical supply donations can be dropped off at Saxman Community Center from 9am to 4pm Mon-Fri.
- Received confirmation from SEOC that 2 Abbott Labs ID NOW testing machines and test cartridges were shipped on 4/9.
- Logistics and Operations continue to look for sources of supply to increase test capacity for Ketchikan.
- Logistics submitted a resource request to the SEOC for QIAGEN, reagent, and testing supplies to conduct 6000 tests.
- Testing capacity is increasing, providers currently have specimen collection kits “test kits” to gather 330 specimens.
- Created a Seasonal Industry Planning Unit within the EOC Planning Section and assigned a Unit Leader.
- The Finance Section has calculated the total cost of Ketchikan’s response at \$1,251,738, or \$90.42 per capita.
- The search for testing supplies has revealed that an Alaska company has started producing the sampling swabs, which are in critically short supply nationwide. The possibility of other testing supplies to be manufactured locally is being explored.
- **The State of Alaska has created a new website to act as a clearing house for information which will go live tomorrow at coronavirus.alaska.gov**
- **The Unified Command continues to plan for the recovery phase, working on efforts to maximize cost recovery and objectives that support a transition from the current shelter in place efforts to reopening of the community in the future.**