

# VALDEZ COVID-19 WEEKLY SITUATION UPDATE

Valdez Unified Command

13 April 2020



# CURRENT SITUATION OVERVIEW

- **Alaska Case Count:** 277 confirmed cases (including 08 deaths) as of noon on 13 April 2020.
- **Valdez Case Count:** 0 confirmed cases (including 0 deaths) as of noon on 13 April 2020.
- **State Mandates (13 total):** Spanning topics such as schools, intrastate travel, social distancing, interstate/international travel, personal care services, gatherings, elective oral health/medical procedures, travel, business closures, state facility closures, and visitation limitations for certain facilities.
- **City Mandates (02 total):** (#001) Mandatory intrastate travelers arriving by air; by boat; or by road from areas within 100 miles of active virus transmission. (#002) PPE preservation. (Proclamation) Shelter in place.
- **Multiple Mandated Closures in Effect:** Valdez Public Schools and Prince William Sound College distance education only. City facilities closed to the public. Only businesses defined as essential by the state of Alaska remain open, with many limited to by-appointment, telephone, curbside or delivery service only. Elective medical/dental procedures suspended to conserve PPE and medical supplies.
- **Public Messaging Themes:** Physical distancing. Wearing cloth face coverings in public. Sheltering in place. Hygiene. Information to bolster resiliency & understanding of operational efforts. Kindness, compassion & behavioral health.
- **Community Areas of Concern:** General tension surrounding (1) anticipated influx of workers in commercial fisheries industry, (2) continued integration of medical professionals in local efforts, & (3) economic impacts of mandates.



# PRESENT OBJECTIVES

IN ORDER OF PRIORITY ESTABLISHED 06 APRIL 2020

- **Objective 1:** Establish control measures to minimize spread of the virus (Updated.)
- **Objective 6:** Support Fisheries Task Force (Note new position in precedence.)
- **Objective 5:** Establish a reserve pool of health care workers (Six nurses inbound.)
- **Objective 2:** Strengthen and monitor resiliency of essential services (Updated.)
- **Objective 4:** Create a plan for staffing essential functions (ICS 213RR; messaging vacancies.)
- **Objective 9:** Coordinate support for community mental wellness (Community Behavioral Health TF established.)
- **Objective 8:** Create plans for addressing displaced persons and essential functions (MOUs in progress or in place.)
- **Objective 7:** Create a task force for businesses & summer tourism. (Established and supported.)
- **Objective 3:** Create a plan for the Valdez Patient 1 announcement (Ready.)



# CURRENT OPERATIONAL EMPHASIS

- **Objective 6: (Fisheries Task Force)**

- ICS Task Force housed in Operations Section. Works in collaboration with Public Health & Medical Branches.
- Coordination & collaboration regarding worker/community protection plans for fisheries industry operations
- Analyze fisheries operational agreements at state & local levels. Adopt practices which make sense to Valdez.

- **Objective 5: (Medical Staffing)**

- Track status of PVMC personnel needs, both current and projected. (Six nurses inbound.)
- Support alternate care site resourcing and staffing (state guidance received, site setup in progress)

- **Objective 9: (Mental Wellness)**

- Community Behavioral Health Task Force formed and meeting.

- **Objective 7: (Business/Tourism Task Force)**

- ICS Task Force under Operations Section
- Coordinate/consolidate individual plans into overall plans for tourism operations
- Disseminate available economic relief resources & information (CARES Act, etc.)



# VALDEZ COVID-19 UNIFIED COMMAND

## Incident Commanders

Mark Detter (COV) / Nathan Duval (deputy)  
Dan O'Connor (PWSC) / Shawn Arnold (deputy)  
Jeremy O'Neil (PVMC) / Lindsie King (deputy)

### Safety Officer

Nathan Duval

### Public Information Officer

Allie Ferko  
Melissa Reese (APIO)

### Liaison Officer

Aaron Baczuk

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for full JIC  
composition

### Operations Section Chief

Bart Hinkle  
Tracy Raynor (deputy)

See separate slide for  
Operations Branches

### Planning Section Chief

Dennis Humphrey  
George Keeney (deputy)

**Documentation Unit**  
Melissa McCumby

### Logistics Section Chief

Stan Porritt  
Canyon Rohrer (deputy)

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Logistics Branches

### Finance Section Chief

Brian Carlson  
Jordan Nelson (deputy)



# OPERATIONS SECTION ORGANIZATION

**Operations Section Chief**  
Bart Hinkle  
Tracy Raynor (deputy)

**Medical Branch**  
Pauline Doucet  
Lindley Miller (deputy)

**Education Branch**  
Jason Weber  
Jon Berkeley (deputy)

**Public Health Branch**  
Terri Lynch

**City Services Branch**  
Rob Comstock

**Community Services Branch**  
Roxanne Murphy

**Online Education**  
Shawn Arnold

**Meals Support**  
Amber Cockerham

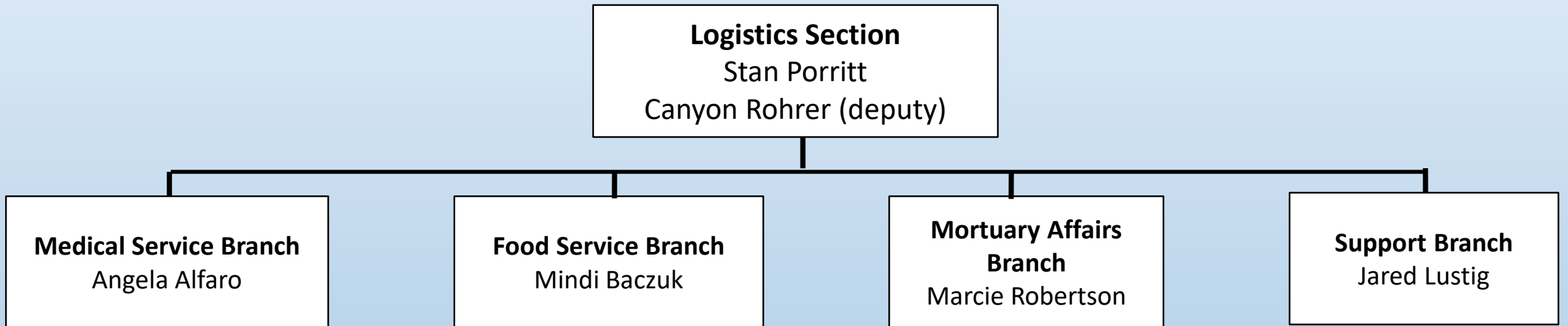
**Fishing Industry TF**  
Jeremy Talbott

**Business/Tourism TF**  
Martha Barberio

**Community Behavioral Health TF**  
Matt Wadsworth



# LOGISTICS SECTION ORGANIZATION



# JOINT INFORMATION CENTER (VIRTUAL)

Member Name	Role	Specialized Assignment	Agency
Allie Ferko	Lead PIO	Lead PIO Writer Lead Social Media & Webpage Content Lead	COV
Sam Shirk, MD	Physician Consultant	Physician Consultant	PVMC / VMC
Terri Lynch, RN	Public Health Consultant APIO	Public Health Consultant Education Outreach & DHSS Information Dissemination	DHSS PHN
Melissa Reese	APIO	Designated Back-up to Lead PIO PIO Liaison to Valdez City Schools	VSC
Kate Dugan	APIO	News Media Monitoring Writer Assist	N/A
Rachel Farline	APIO	Videography (Informal/Social Media - Public Educational Content) PIO Liaison to Providence Valdez Medical Center	PVMC
Krystal Moulton	APIO	Graphic Design Lead Social Media & Webpage Content Assist	COV
Kate Huber	APIO	Radio Station Liaison	COV
Dan Plaster	APIO	Runner & Logistics	COV
Seed Media	APIO	Videography (Formal)	Seed Media





**NEXT UPDATE: 20 APRIL 2020**

