

Dear UAA Community,

On June 13, the UAA Office of Emergency Management facilitated a Hazardous Material Release full-scale exercise and tabletop discussion. The UAA Incident Management Team (MT), departmental staff and external partners worked through scenarios testing our understanding and validity of procedures in the Anchorage campus Emergency Operations Plan (EOP). In addition to the tabletop discussion, the university tested its use of ERM to notify the university community of potential emergencies. An after-action report and improvement plan were created, and university leadership will implement those recommendations during the coming year. For anyone interested, this after-action report can be accessed by contacting the campus emergency manager at jhhuffman@alaska.edu.

UAA maintains an EOP outlining the responsibilities of campus units during emergencies. This plan outlines incident priorities, campus organization and specific responsibilities of particular units or positions. University units are responsible for developing emergency response and continuity of operations plans for their areas and staff. Campus emergency management provides resources and guidance for the development of these plans. Additional information is available on the [EOP website](#). Please direct questions or concerns to jhhuffman@alaska.edu or 907-786-1149.

The MT consists of members from Student Affairs, University Police, Facilities and Campus Services and University Advancement, and meets regularly during the academic year to discuss, plan and address either current or potential incidents that may occur on UAA's campuses. MT is charged with managing an emergency from onset to recovery. MT has both decision-making and financial authority to address emergencies on campus at the direction of university leadership. Both UPD supervisors and MT members have received Incident Command System (ICS) training. ICS training is also provided to other university employees. MT call upon to help manage an emergency. MT regularly sends email messages to staff, faculty and students to educate the campus communities about seasonal safety issues and what to do in the event of specific emergencies.

Regards,

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