



KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH & CITY OF KETCHIKAN



MEDIA RELEASE | Highway Remains Closed as Crews Address Safety Hazards| Update 7

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KETCHIKAN, Alaska – The highway remains closed as of this release while crews continue working to clear debris. A small path has been established to assist with removal operations, but it is not accessible to the public. Safety remains the top priority, and additional hazards were identified overnight, including a large block that fell near the roadway.

"Thank you to our unsung heroes—those in our community who have stepped up to help one another, from the dedicated water shuttle crews to the individual private boat owners, whom I like to call the 'Ketchikan Navy,'" said Rick Hines, EOC Incident Commander.

A paratransit vehicle is available north of the slide for individuals with mobility challenges who need emergency transportation. To arrange service, contact KGB Bus+ Paratransit at 907-225-8726. This service will remain available as needed.

Officials from the Emergency Operations Center are actively coordinating with USPS and local pharmacy services to utilize the water shuttle system for the transport of essential goods to north-end residents. Efforts are underway to ensure that mail, prescriptions, and other critical supplies can be delivered despite the ongoing road closure.

Crews are working diligently, and updates will be provided as more information becomes available. The public is reminded to stay clear of the slide area for their safety and to allow responders to continue their work.

More info: <https://www.kgbak.us/1113/Wolfe-Point-Landslide> or
<https://www.facebook.com/AlaskaDOTP>

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