

Alaska Department of Military and Veterans Affairs



DMVA in the Arctic

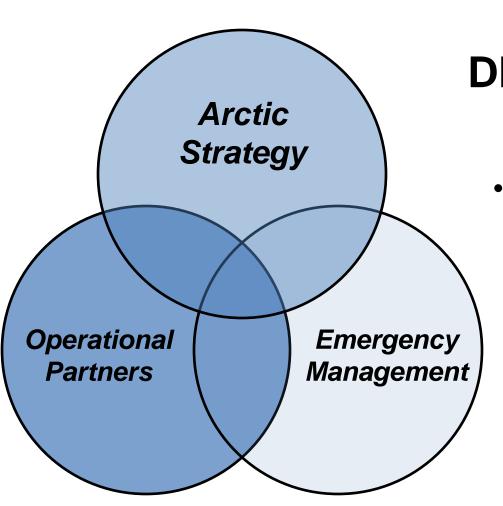


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Preliminary Vision for DMVA





DMVA Organizational Culture

- Adherence to Doctrine
 - Sound Processes
 - Customer Focus



DMVA in the Arctic



The Alaska Department of Military & Veterans Affairs understands the importance of the State taking an active role in the implementation of the Nation, DoD, and Alaska's Arctic Policy

Efforts in support of the Arctic Policy

- Alaska National Guard in Arctic Operations
- Search and Rescue Forces
- Homeland Security & Emergency Management
- Alaska Aerospace Corporation postured to support enhanced presence and development in the Arctic











Alaska National Guard in Arctic Operations



The Alaska National Guard is

- Increasing training exercises in Rural & Arctic Alaska
- Continuing leadership in the National Guard Bureau's Arctic Interest Group
- Examining methods to increase recruiting and outreach efforts in Rural & Arctic Alaska
- Synchronizing Arctic efforts among DMVA, Alaska Command, US Army Alaska, and Coast Guard District 17
- Partnering with the University of Alaska-Fairbanks for an Arctic
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Search and Rescue Forces



The National Search and Rescue Plan delegates aviation Search and Rescue in Alaska to the military and the Alaska National Guard

Alaska National Guard Search and Rescue Forces

- 210th Rescue Squadron- ONLY helicopters in Alaska with air-to-air refueling capability necessary to cover distances in the Arctic
- 211th Rescue Squadron- HC-130s with unique capabilities for air-to-air refueling of HH-60 helicopters and performing aerial searches over extensive distances
- 212th Rescue Squadron (Guardian Angels)- Special Operations forces with unique skill sets for the Arctic.
- 1st BN, 207th Aviation Regt- Additional aerial search and rescue support from Army National Guard UH-60s
- AKNG augments Coast Guard, Alaska
 Department of Public Safety Aviation, and aviation assets in North Slope Borough





Homeland Security & Emergency Management



The DMVA Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management provides critical services to protect lives and property from terrorism and all other hazards, as well as to provide rapid recovery from disasters.

DHS & EM

- Helps Arctic communities prepare for disasters and create disaster response plans
- In case of disaster, helps communities recover through coordination with local, State, Federal, Tribal, and commercial entities









Alaska Aerospace Corporation



Alaska Aerospace Corporation (AAC) is strategically postured to support enhanced presence and development in the Arctic

- As operator of the Kodiak Launch Complex, Alaska Aerospace has the optimal launch location for polar orbits at a time when multiple constellations of satellites are needed for the Arctic
- By partnering with a firm for satellite digital imaging, AAC is prepared to bridge a key information gap to assist commercial entities with Arctic Development





Questions?

