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# **11<sup>th</sup> Air Force Alaska Rescue Coordination Center (AKRCC)**

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# OVERVIEW

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➔ **MISSION**

➔ **STRUCTURE**

➔ **RESOURCES**

➔ **STATISTICS**



# MISSION



“To provide 24-hour rescue coordination capability in support of US military and civil aviation search and rescue (SAR) needs in the Alaska SRR (landmass of Alaska West from 141W longitude and North of 58 latitude)”

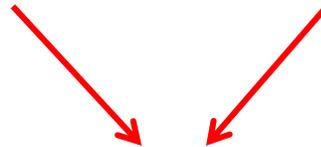
**WHAT:** Primary agency responsible for military and aviation SAR in Alaska

**HOW:** -Monitor all 406 MHz Emergency Locator Beacons

-Track reports of **121.5 VHF** and **243.0 UHF** Emergency Signals

-Coordinate with other AK SAR agencies (Troopers, USCG, CAP, NPS)

-Coordinate ALL DoD support to civil SAR in AK



**SAVE LIVES..SAFELY AND QUICKLY**



# U.S. SAR SYSTEM



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**International Aeronautical and Maritime Search and Rescue Manual**



**US National SAR Supplement**



**National SAR Plan**

- Establishes geographic areas and regions of SAR coordination responsibility, each with its own “SAR Coordinator” and SAR plan
- Designates CDRUSPACOM as the SAR Coordinator for the “Elmendorf” Search and Rescue Region: Landmass of Alaska (Aeronautical SAR events)

Delegated responsibility for “SAR Coordinator” in Alaska:

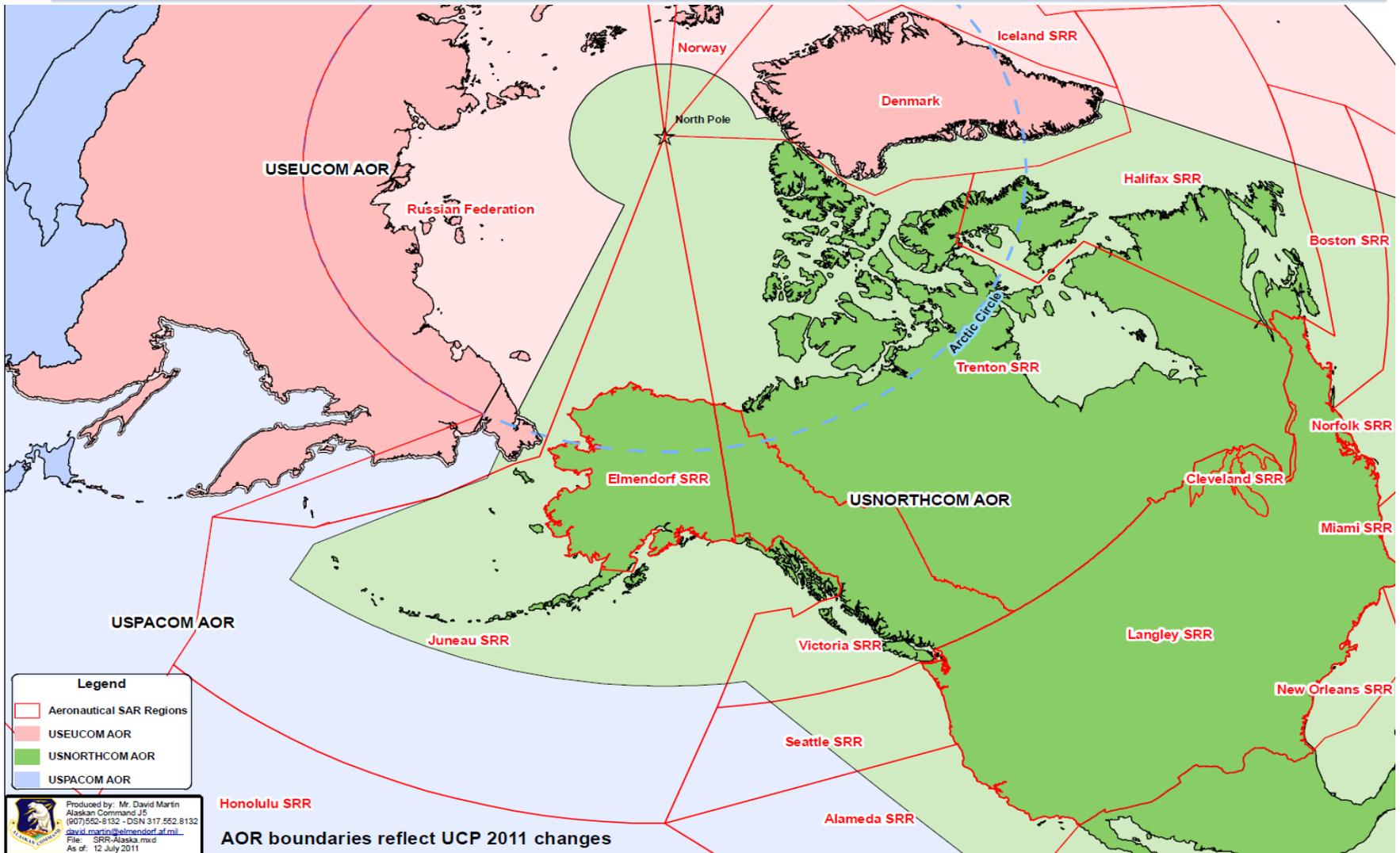
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**“State organizations may wish to retain established SAR responsibilities within their boundaries for ground SAR incidents primarily local or intrastate in character”**



# SAR REGIONS



**Legend**

- Aeronautical SAR Regions
- USEUCOM AOR
- USNORTHCOM AOR
- USPACOM AOR

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**Honolulu SRR**  
**AOR boundaries reflect UCP 2011 changes**



# SAR RELATIONSHIPS



**AERONAUTICAL  
CIVIL & MILITARY**

Department of  
Defense

PACOM

PACAF

11AF/CC

611 AOC/CC

AKRCC



**MARITIME**

Department of  
Homeland  
Security

USCG

D-17  
Juneau RCC



**FEDERAL LAND**

Department of  
the Interior

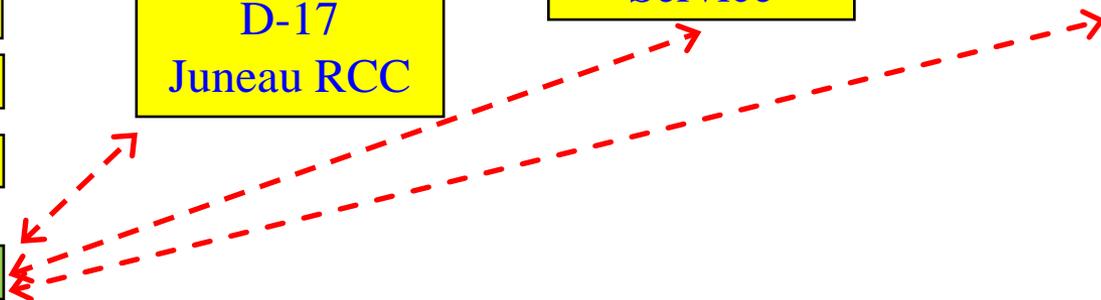
National Park  
Service



**STATE LAND**

Department of  
Public Safety

Alaska State  
Troopers





# COMMAND



## OPERATIONAL

**11AF/CC**  
**Lt Gen Hoog**

**611 AOC/CC**  
**Col Fuller**



## ADMINISTRATIVE

**TAG/AK**  
**Maj Gen Katkus**

**176 WG/CC**  
**Col Wenke**



**AKRCC**  
**Lt Col Westerlund**



# STAFF



- **6 x Rated OFFICERS**
  - **3 Year Assignment**
  - **3 x HH-60G Pilot**
  - **1 x HC-130 Pilot**
  - **1 x HC-130 Navigator**
  - **1 x CRO (PJ Officer)**
- **6 x ENLISTED + 2 Drill Status**
  - **Permanent Assignment**
  - **Long-term Continuity**
  - **1C3X1 Command & Control**
- **Major Rescue Operation:**
  - **Additional Subject Matter Experts**
    - **Alaska State Troopers**
    - **Civil Air Patrol**
    - **State Emergency Ops Ctr**
    - **AK Army Guard**
    - **JTF-AK augment**
    - **JPRC**
    - **AFRCC**
    - **N/NC**



# PRIMARY RESOURCES

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- **ON ALERT:**
    - **AK Air National Guard – 176<sup>TH</sup> Wing**
      - **210<sup>th</sup> Rescue Squadron (HH-60G)**
      - **211<sup>th</sup> Rescue Squadron (HC-130)**
      - **212<sup>th</sup> Rescue Squadron (GAWS)**
  - **AS CAPABLE:**
    - **AK Army National Guard**
      - **1/207AVN**
    - **Active Duty Army**
    - **Civil Air Patrol (Air and Ground)**
  - **Also utilize other agency SAR capability:**
    - **Alaska State Troopers (Air, Ground, Volunteer Teams)**
    - **USCG (Air, Maritime, Sector)**
    - **National Park Service (Air and Ground)**
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# AIR GUARD ALERT



Guardian Angel



HC-130 Aerial Refueling



HH-60 Pavehawk

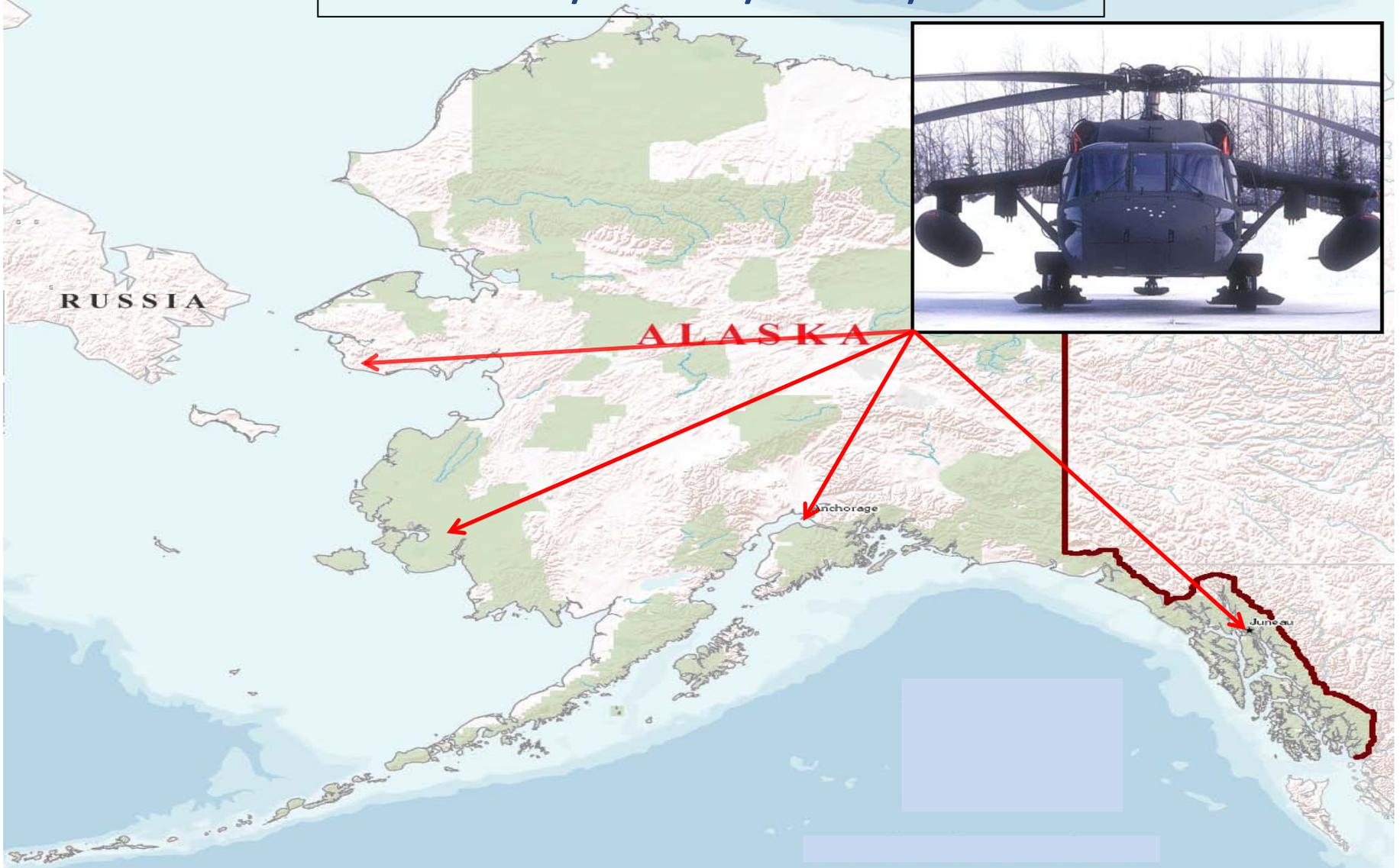


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# ARMY GUARD UH-60

ANCHORAGE / JUNEAU / BETHEL / NOME



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# ACTIVE DUTY ARMY



Ft. Wainwright UH-60/CH-47F



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# CIVIL AIR PATROL



**30 Aircraft around the state  
+ Member owned aircraft**



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# NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH



ALASKA

Anchorage



2 X Bell 412

Beech 200



Learjet 31A

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# AS-NEEDED ASSETS

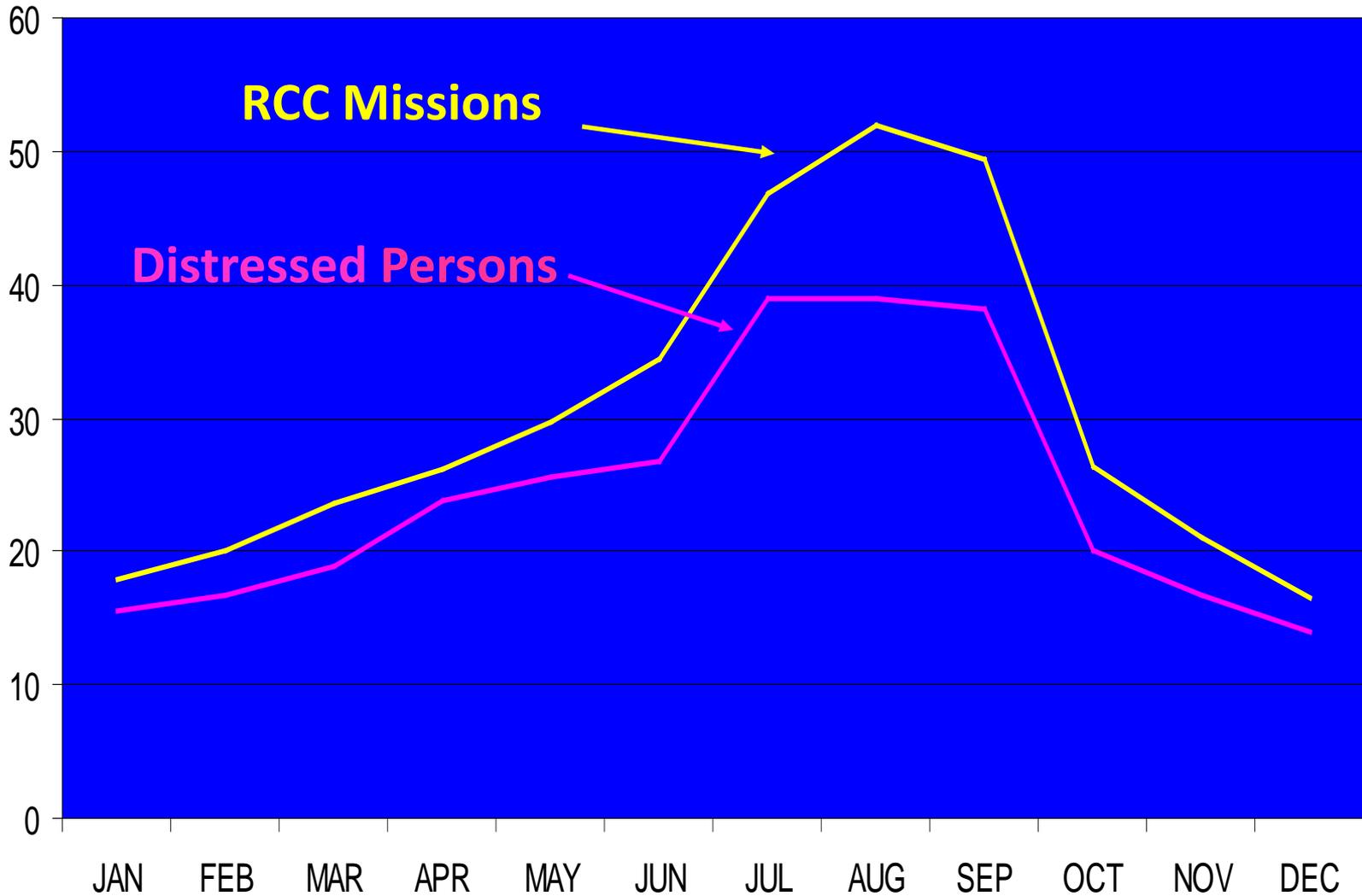




# HISTORICAL TRENDS



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# AKRCC Statistics (July 1994-February 2013)

**MISSIONS** 4994

**SAVES** 1946

**ASSISTS** 720

**HOURS** 20,200

**SORTIES** 10,035





# QUESTIONS



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