

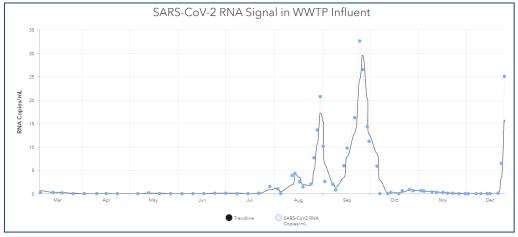
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NEWS RELEASE

Monday, December 27, 2021, 2:30pm, News Release no. 246 *Coronavirus COVID-19*

WASTEWATER TESTING: Starting on December 21, COVID-19 was detected in Unalaska's wastewater. The test result was quite low on December 21; increased on December 23; and showed a significant increase on December 25, displayed in the graph below:



https://covid19-response-unalaska.hub.arcgis.com/apps/unalaska-wastewater-covid-19-testing/explore

Wastewater testing indicates the virus is indeed on the island, which has been confirmed by 3 positive tests at a local seafood processor conducting in-house testing. These 3 people with positive test results do not fully account for the significant increase in the wastewater stream, so it is believed there are more people on the island who have COVID-19. The IFHS Clinic has not yet reported any positive test results and they are able to meet the health care needs of the community. We will continue to monitor the situation.

Everyone is encouraged to **<u>get vaccinated</u>**, **<u>get their booster shot</u>** and to **<u>continue personal protective</u>** <u>**measures**</u>:

> **DO the 3-W's** Wear a mask Wash your hands Watch your distance

AVOID the 3-C's Crowds Closed spaces Close contact with others