

Season Three of 'Coast Guard Alaska' Premier this Month

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The premier of the third season of Coast Guard Alaska on the Weather Channel is coming up in two weeks. The first episode will focus on the travails of the Royal Dutch Shell drilling rig, Kulluk as it loses its tow and eventually goes aground on Sitkalidak Island, southeast of Kodiak.

The show's preview on the Weather Channel's website includes night vision video of the first two attempts by Air Station Kodiak helicopters to hoist the Kulluk crewmen from the drifting, pitching and rolling conical drilling unit on New Year's Eve.

Coast Guard Alaska is a production by NBC weatherman Al Roker's production company, and is largely based out of Kodiak, where it follows rescue crews while on missions and at home. Other episodes have been filmed out of Air Station Sitka. Coast Guard Alaska will debut on July 17th.