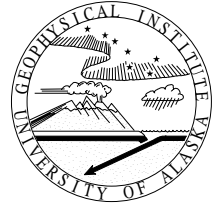




INFORMATION RELEASE



ALASKA EARTHQUAKE INFORMATION CENTER

February 12, 1998
10:19 am

The Alaska Earthquake Information Center located a light earthquake that occurred on Tuesday at 10:30 am AST in the central region of Alaska. This earthquake had a preliminary magnitude of 4.0 and was located at a depth of about 29 miles (47 km).

Reports have been received of this earthquake having been felt in Willow and Talkeetna.

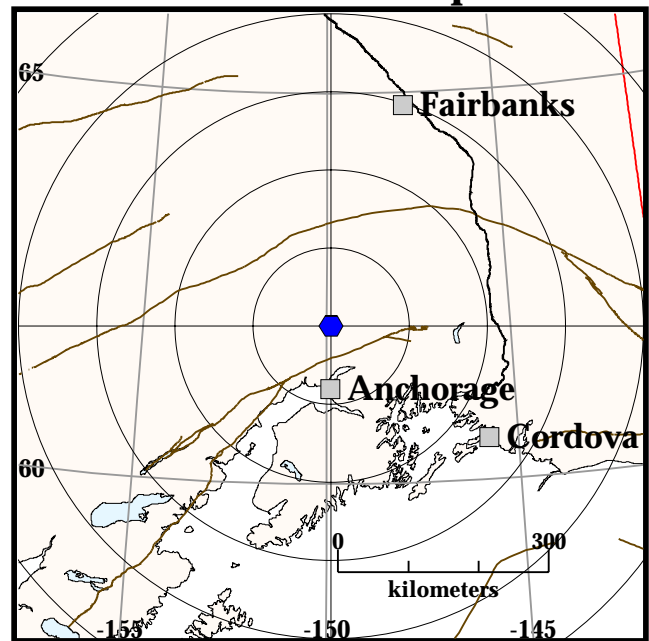
Distance to nearby locations:

20 mi (32 km) NNE of Willow
22 mi (35 km) SSE of Talkeetna
26 mi (41 km) NW of Hatcher Pass
34 mi (55 km) NNW of Wasilla
39 mi (63 km) NW of Palmer
39 mi (63 km) NW of Sutton
43 mi (68 km) E of Skwentna
46 mi (74 km) NNW of Chugiak
50 mi (80 km) NNW of Eagle River

Preliminary earthquake parameters:

Origin Time (UT): 980210 19:30:05
Latitude: 62 N 1'
Longitude: 149 W 53'
Depth: 47 km
Magnitude: ML 4.0

Location of Earthquake



Circles are 111 km (70 miles) apart.

The location and magnitude for this earthquake may be updated as data from additional seismic stations are received. The Alaska Earthquake Information Center will continue to gather data and may issue additional releases as appropriate. With any moderate or large earthquake, aftershocks should be expected to occur.

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