



INFORMATION RELEASE

ALASKA EARTHQUAKE INFORMATION CENTER



November 9, 1998
8:53 am

The Alaska Earthquake Information Center recorded a moderate earthquake that occurred on Sunday at 02:48 pm AST in the Rat Islands region of Alaska. This earthquake had a preliminary magnitude of 5.0 and was located at a depth of about 27 miles (43 km). The magnitude and location may change slightly as additional data are received and processed.

This event was felt at Adak. However, no reports of damage have been received at this time.

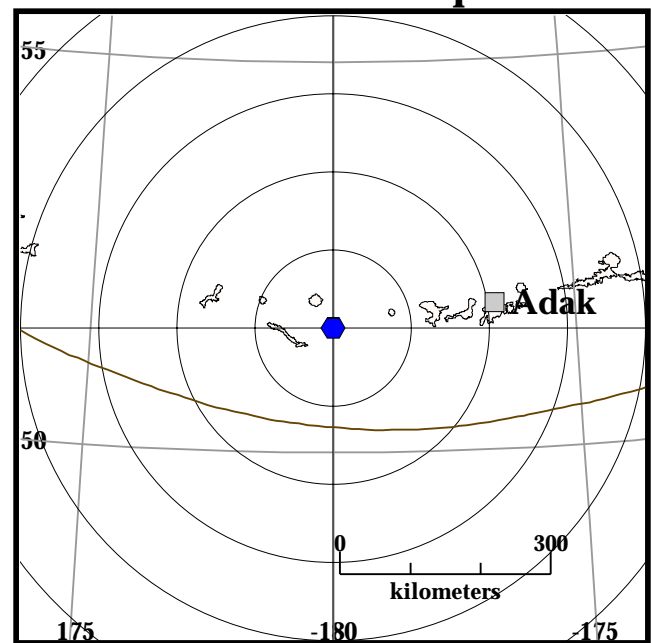
Distance to nearby locations:

43 mi (69 km) E of Amchitka
145 mi (234 km) W of Adak
181 mi (292 km) ESE of Buldir Is
252 mi (406 km) W of Atka
262 mi (421 km) ESE of Shemya Is
301 mi (485 km) ESE of Attu
346 mi (557 km) W of Amukta Pass

Preliminary earthquake parameters (from NEIC):

Origin Time (UT): 981108 23:48:49
Latitude: 51 N 36'
Longitude: 179 E 60'
Depth: 43 km
Magnitude: MB 5.0

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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