



INFORMATION RELEASE

ALASKA EARTHQUAKE INFORMATION CENTER



December 30, 1998

11:43 am

The Alaska Earthquake Information Center located a minor earthquake that occurred on Wednesday at 09:45 am AST in the central region of Alaska. Multiple earthquakes occurred within minutes of each other. The largest of these events had a preliminary magnitude of 3.3 and was located at a depth of about 0 miles (0 km).

This earthquake was felt in Fairbanks. No reports of damage or injury have been received at this time.

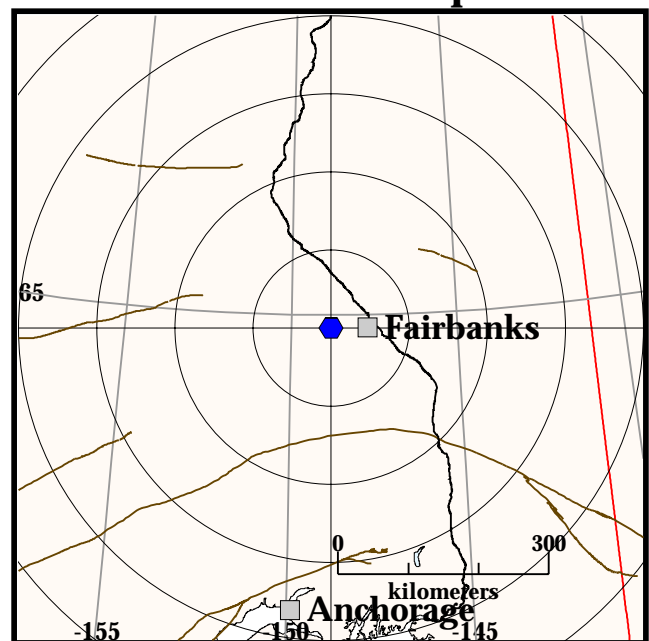
Distance to nearby locations:

21 mi (33 km) NNE of Nenana
24 mi (38 km) W of Ester
27 mi (44 km) SE of Minto
32 mi (52 km) W of Fairbanks
35 mi (56 km) W of Fort Wainwright
36 mi (58 km) WSW of Fox
36 mi (58 km) NNE of Clear

Preliminary earthquake parameters:

Origin Time (UT): 981230 18:45:39
Latitude: 64 N 50'
Longitude: 148 W 48'
Depth: 0 km
Magnitude: ML 3.3

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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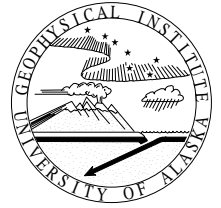
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