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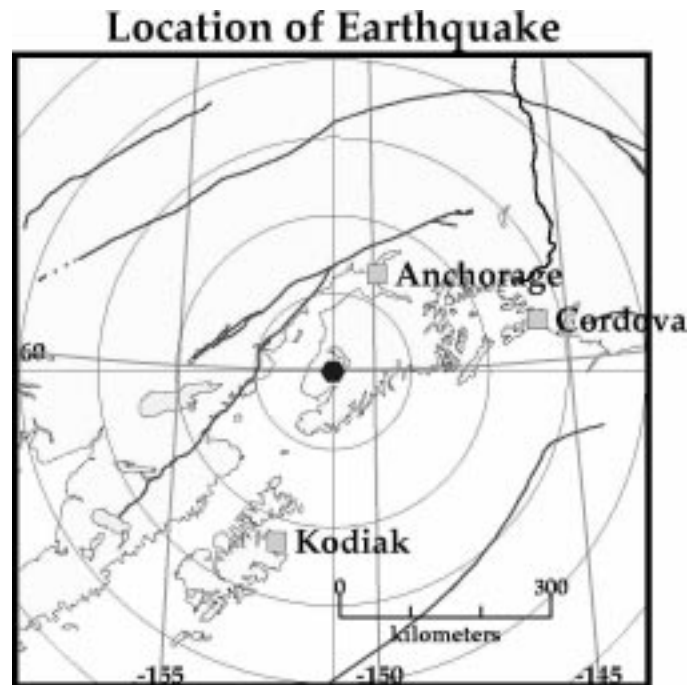
The Alaska Earthquake Information Center located a minor earthquake that occurred on Thursday at 9:57 AM AKDT in the Kenai Peninsula region of Alaska. This earthquake had a preliminary magnitude of 3.5 and was located at a depth of about 37 miles (60 km). The magnitude and location may change slightly as additional data are received and processed. This event was felt in Clam Gulch. No reports of this event having caused damage and/or injury have been received at this time.

Distance to nearby locations:

33 km (21 miles) SSE of Clam Gulch
34 km (21 miles) ESE of Ninilchik
41 km (26 miles) SSE of Kasilof
46 km (29 miles) NE of Homer
48 km (30 miles) ENE of Anchor Point
56 km (35 miles) S of Soldotna
64 km (40 miles) SSW of Sterling
65 km (40 miles) S of Kenai

Preliminary earthquake parameters:

Origin Time (UT): 990520 17:57:53
Latitude: 59 N 59'
Longitude: 151 W 04'
Depth: 60 km
Magnitude: ML 3.5



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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The Alaska Earthquake Information Center (AEIC) monitors earthquakes in Alaska and provides earthquake information to the citizens and public officials of Alaska. The Center is a cooperative program of the Geophysical Institute of the University of Alaska and the U.S. Geological Survey and is located at the Geophysical Institute in Fairbanks with the Alaska State Seismologist's Office.

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