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## ALASKA EARTHQUAKE INFORMATION CENTER

May 2, 2000  
4:58 pm

The Alaska Earthquake Information Center located a moderate earthquake that occurred on Tuesday, May 2nd at 3:59 PM AKDT in the Yakutat Bay region of Alaska. This earthquake had a preliminary magnitude of 5.1 and was located at a depth of about 1 miles (1 km). The magnitude and location may change slightly as additional data are received and processed. This earthquake was felt strongly at Yakutat with items knocked from shelves. However, no reports of damage have been received at this time.

### Distance to nearby locations:

- 20 km ( 13 miles) NNW of Yakutat
- 105 km ( 65 miles) ESE of Icy Bay
- 148 km ( 93 miles) ESE of Cape Yakataga
- 166 km ( 104 miles) SSW of Burwash Landing
- 173 km ( 108 miles) SW of Haines Junction
- 227 km ( 142 miles) W of Klukwan
- 254 km ( 159 miles) SE of McCarthy
- 255 km ( 159 miles) WNW of Haines

### Preliminary earthquake parameters:

Origin Time (UT): 05/02/2000 23:59:21  
 Latitude: 59 N 42'  
 Longitude: 139 W 52'  
 Depth: 1 km  
 Magnitude: ML 5.1



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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