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ALASKA EARTHQUAKE INFORMATION CENTER

December 4, 2000
9:44 am

The Alaska Earthquake Information Center located a moderate earthquake that occurred on Sunday, December 3rd at 3:55 AM AKST in the Andreanof Islands region of Alaska. This earthquake had a preliminary magnitude of 5.9 and was located at a depth of about 31 miles (49 km).

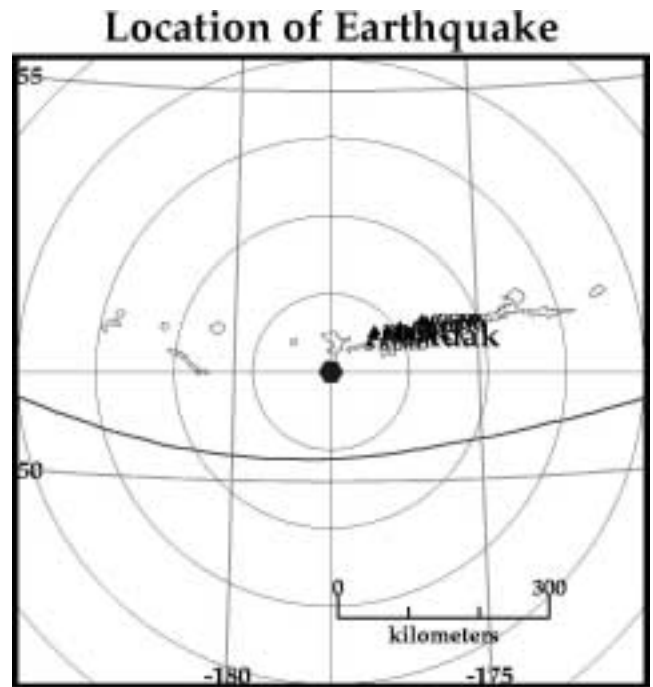
No reports of this event being felt or causing damage have been received at this time.

Distance to nearby locations:

- 108 km (68 miles) WSW of Adak
- 206 km (129 miles) E of Amchitka
- 277 km (173 miles) WSW of Atka
- 427 km (267 miles) WSW of Amukta Pass
- 428 km (267 miles) ESE of Buldir Is
- 556 km (347 miles) ESE of Shemya Is
- 619 km (387 miles) ESE of Attu
- 647 km (404 miles) WSW of Nikolski

Preliminary earthquake parameters:

Origin Time (UT): 12/03/2000 12:55:18
 Latitude: 51 N 24'
 Longitude: 178 W 02'
 Depth: 49 km
 Magnitude: mb 5.9 (NEIC);



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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