The Alaska Earthquake Information Center located a moderate earthquake that occurred on Tuesday, December 5th at 1:11 PM AKST in the Fox Islands region of Alaska. This earthquake had a preliminary magnitude of 5.6 and was located at a depth of about 8 miles (13 km). The magnitude and location may change slightly as additional data are received and processed. No reports of this event being felt or causing damage have been received at this time.

Distance to nearby locations:

97 km (61 miles) SE of Nikolski
185 km (115 miles) SSW of Unalaska
187 km (117 miles) SSW of Dutch Harbor
235 km (147 miles) SW of Akutan
288 km (180 miles) E of Amukta Pass
397 km (248 miles) SW of False Pass
439 km (274 miles) E of Atka
454 km (284 miles) SW of Cold Bay

Preliminary earthquake parameters:

Latitude: 52 N 23’
Longitude: 167 W 45’
Depth: 13 km
Magnitude: Ms 5.6 (NEIC);

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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