



## INFORMATION RELEASE



### ALASKA EARTHQUAKE INFORMATION CENTER

May 16, 2001  
3:15 pm

The Alaska Earthquake Information Center located a minor earthquake that occurred on Wednesday, May 16th at 2:58 PM AKDT in the central region of Alaska. This earthquake had a preliminary magnitude of 3.8 and was located at a depth of about 13 miles (20 km). The magnitude and location may change slightly as additional data are received and processed. This event was felt in Fairbanks and Chena Hot Springs, however no reports of damage have been received at this time.

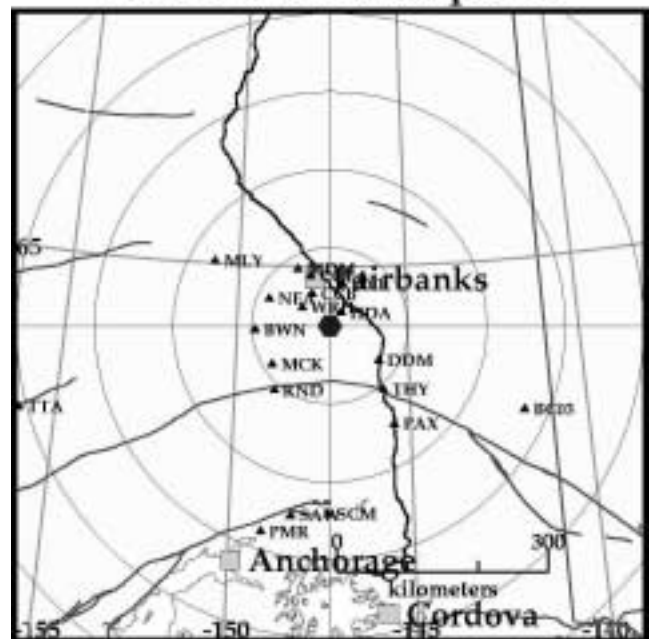
#### Distance to nearby locations:

- 30 km ( 19 miles) SSW of Salcha
- 40 km ( 25 miles) SSW of Pump Station #8
- 49 km ( 30 miles) S of Eielson AFB
- 57 km ( 36 miles) S of North Pole
- 69 km ( 43 miles) SSE of Fort Wainwright
- 70 km ( 44 miles) SSE of Fairbanks
- 76 km ( 47 miles) SSE of Ester
- 78 km ( 49 miles) WNW of Delta Junction

#### Preliminary earthquake parameters:

Origin Time (UT): 05/16/2001 22:58:45  
 Latitude: 64 N 14'  
 Longitude: 147 W 16'  
 Depth: 20 km  
 Magnitude: ML 3.8

#### 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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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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