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ALASKA EARTHQUAKE INFORMATION CENTER

December 9, 2002

1:27 pm

The Alaska Earthquake Information Center located a minor earthquake that occurred on Friday, December 6th at 2:05 AM AKST in the east-central region of Alaska. This earthquake had a preliminary magnitude of 3.7 and was located at a depth of about 2 miles (3 km). The magnitude and location may change slightly as additional data are received and processed. This earthquake was felt sharply in Paxson, however no reports of damage have been received at this time. This earthquake is an aftershock of the M7.9 that occurred on November 3.

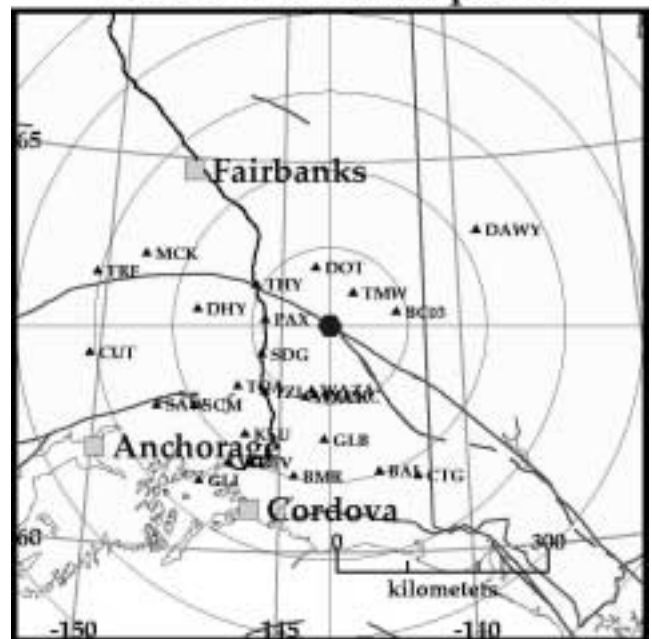
Distance to nearby locations:

- 27 km (17 miles) NE of Slana
- 59 km (37 miles) SW of Tok
- 63 km (40 miles) WSW of Tetlin
- 87 km (54 miles) W of Northway
- 94 km (59 miles) E of Paxson
- 108 km (67 miles) NE of Gakona
- 121 km (75 miles) ESE of Pump Station #10
- 130 km (81 miles) NE of Pump Station #11

Preliminary earthquake parameters:

Origin Time (UT): 12/06/2002 11:05:50
 Latitude: 62 N 54'
 Longitude: 143 W 39'
 Depth: 3 km
 Magnitude: ML 3.7

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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