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ALASKA EARTHQUAKE INFORMATION CENTER

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The Alaska Earthquake Information Center located a moderate earthquake that occurred on Tuesday, November 5th at 8:22 AM AKST in the east-central region of Alaska. This earthquake had a preliminary magnitude of 5.1 and was located at a depth of about 15 miles (25 km). The magnitude and location may change slightly as additional data are received and processed. This earthquake was felt strongly at Paxson and Tok. However, no reports of damage have been received at this time.

Distance to nearby locations:

- 37 km (23 miles) NE of Paxson
- 43 km (27 miles) ESE of Pump Station #10
- 82 km (51 miles) NW of Slana
- 82 km (52 miles) SSE of Pump Station #9
- 88 km (55 miles) SSE of Fort Greely
- 92 km (58 miles) SSE of Delta Junction
- 100 km (62 miles) W of Tok
- 110 km (68 miles) N of Gakona

Preliminary earthquake parameters:

- Latitude: 63 N 17’
- Longitude: 144 W 59’
- Depth: 25 km
- Magnitude: ML 5.1

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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