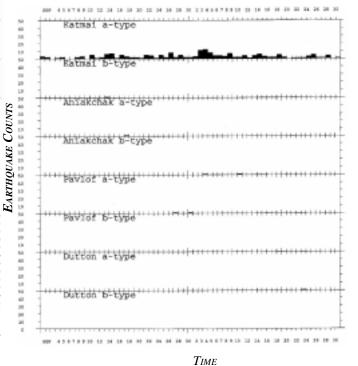


## EARTHQUAKE COUNTS FROM DETECTED EVENTS OF ALASKA PENINSULA VOLCANOES



# EARTHQUAKE COUNTS FROM DETECTED EVENTS OF ALEUTIAN ISLANDS VOLCANOES

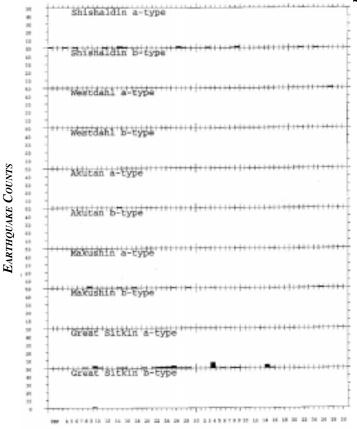
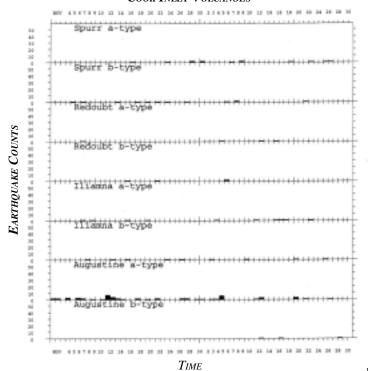


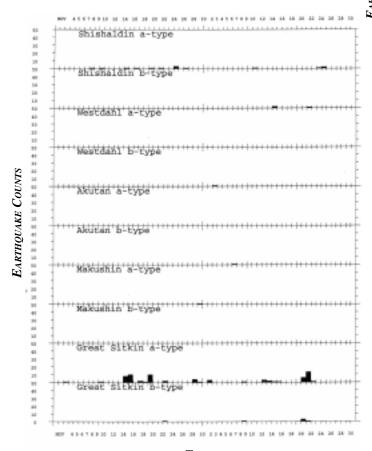
Figure 30a: Histogram of computer-detected ("Willie system") seismic events during September through October.

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# EARTHQUAKE COUNTS FROM DETECTED EVENTS OF COOK INLET VOLCANOES



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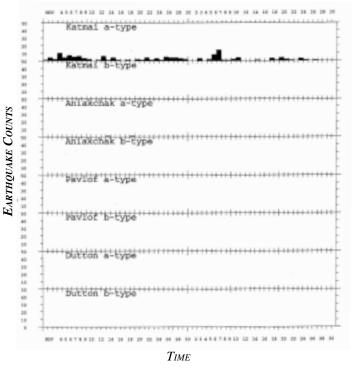


Figure 30b: Histogram of computer-detected ("Willie system") seismic events during November through December.

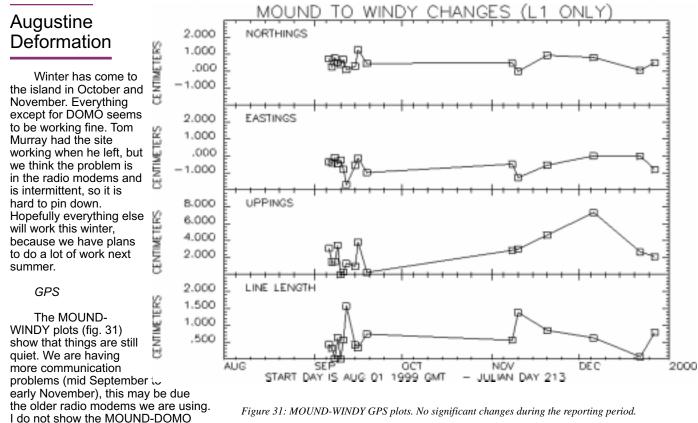


Figure 31: MOUND-WINDY GPS plots. No significant changes during the reporting period.

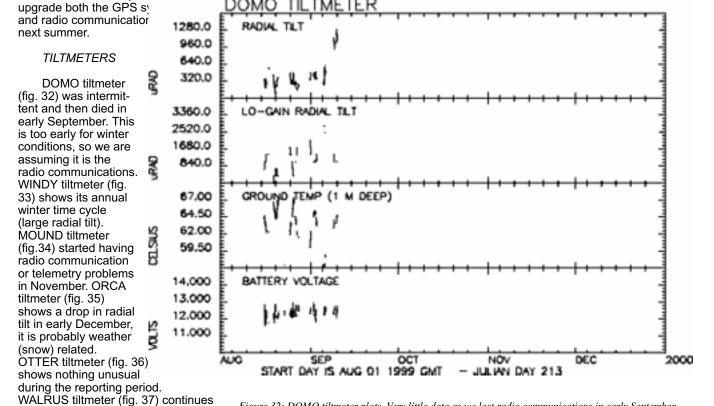


Figure 32: DOMO tiltmeter plots. Very little data as we lost radio communications in early September.

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to have little or no change.

plots because we have only 2 data points before we lost communication with DOMO. We are planning to

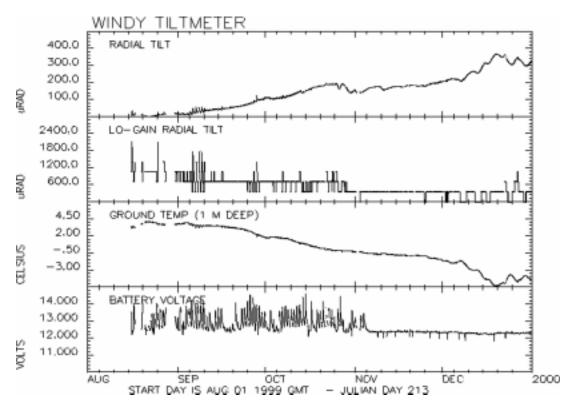


Figure 33: WINDY tiltmeter plots. Large radial tilt is seasonal at this site.

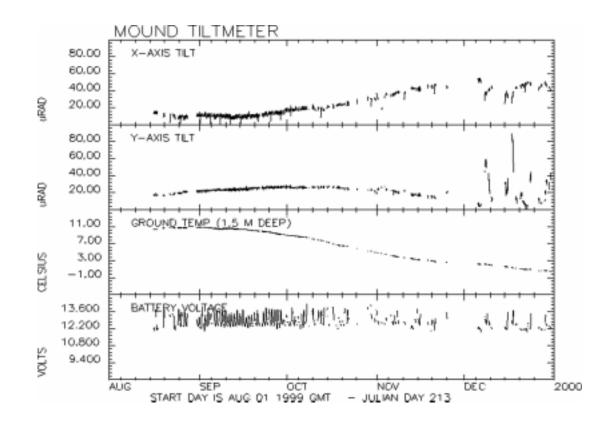


Figure 34: MOUND tiltmeter plots. Sporadic data starting in November. Possibly due to bad radio communications or telemetry. No significant changes seen.

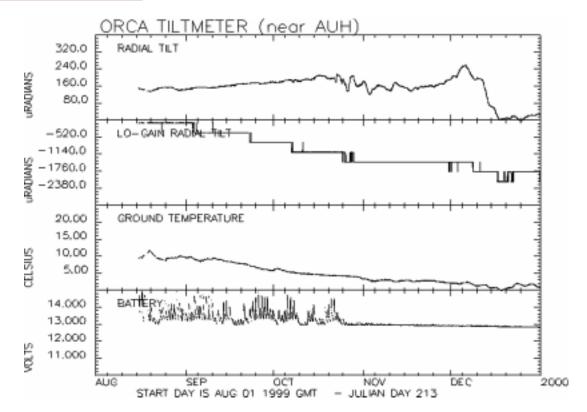


Figure 35: ORCA tiltmeter plots. Large drop in radial tilt is probably snow related and not unusual for this site.

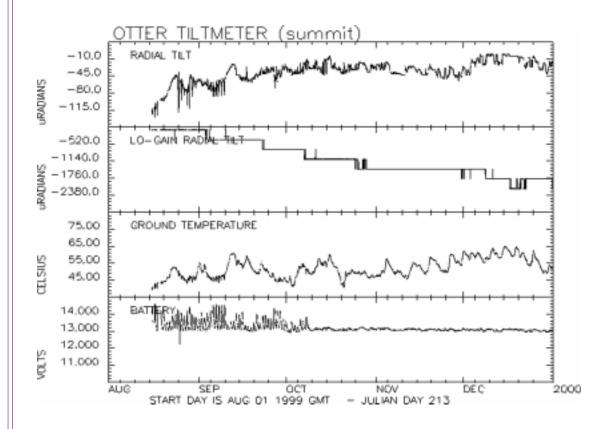


Figure 36: OTTER tiltmeter plots. Very quiet data for the reporting period.

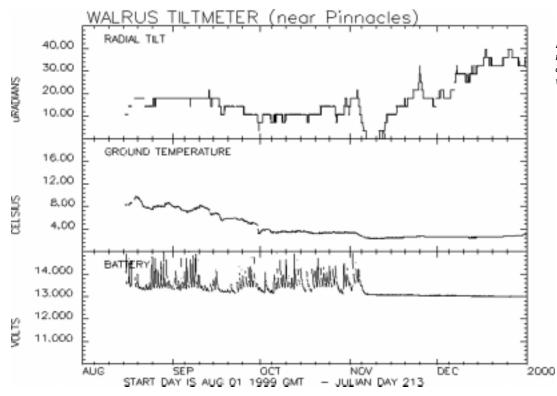


Figure 37: WALRUS tiltmeter plots. Station continues to show no or very little change.

## **OPFRATIONS**

# Experimental Petrology Lab Update

During August to December, the second stage of the new Experimental Petrology Laboratory at the University of Alaska Fairbanks was constructed by Jim Gardner. This part of the lab consists of four vertically aligned Rene-style, cold-seal pressure vessels and furnaces. The design includes extensions and water cooled jackets fitted to the pressure vessel that allow rapid quenching of the experimental charge. Charges are manually pulled from the hot zone within the pressure vessel into the water cooled jacket by means of external magnets. Quench rates of samples are estimated at ~150° C per second. The rapid quench pressure vessels are attached to the already existing pressure line which is equipped with a double head, airdriven pump that can generate up to 500 MPa (5000 bars) of pressure. Temperatures within the rapid-quench vessels can be up to ~900° C. A hand-cranked pressure intensifier is also attached on line for precise control of pressure, allowing for controlled decompression of experiments.

Jessica Faust Larsen (UAF/GI Faculty) is using the new rapid-quench pressure vessels to carry out extensive experiments investigating the nucleation, growth, and coalescence of gas bubbles in silicate melts, the fundamental driving force behind explosive eruptions. In addition, continued experiments in the experimental laboratory include examination of the pre-eruptive phase equilibria conditions for the 1912 eruption of the Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes, being carried out by Michelle Coombs (Ph.Ď. student at UAF), and of the large volume rhyolite eruption of Karymsky Caldera and the granitic xenoliths included in the most recent basaltic-andesitic eruption of Karymsky Volcano, being carried out by Pavel Izbekov (Ph.D. student at UAF).







Figure 38: Photograph of the four new vertical furnaces. Note that a vertical pressure vessel with rapid quench extension is in place in one of the middle furnaces. Temperature controllers are grouped below the furnaces.

Figure 39: Photgraph of five horizontal furnaces, each with a pressure vessel inside. Thin metal tubing connects the vessels to the main pressure line and hydraulic pump. Temperature monitors are grouped below the furnaces.

# 1999 AVO/AEIC Field Work Summary (ordered by station code) AEIC stations in italics font

### **AVO stations in normal font**

Date	Code	Station Name	What Was Done
99071	5 ACH	Angle Creek Headwaters	Removed Prostar regulator; Paskievitch
	6 ACH	Angle Creek Headwaters	replaced L-22, systems check; Paskievitch
	7 ADAG	Adagdak	Installed new station
9907		Adak receivers	Install new receiver site
99092		Akutan Repeater	Replaced solar reg., rotate antenna; Tytgat
	4 AKT	Akutan Village	Adjust circuit levels, install broadband VCOs; Tytgat
99082	5 AKT	Akutan Village Anchor GPS	Completed broadband VCO installation; Tytgat
99070		Anchor GPS Anchor GPS	Set up GPS; Foshe, Estes Remove GPS; Foshe, Estes
	5 ANCK	Martin	Fixed bad solder joint at VCO audio output, systems check; Paskievitch
	8 ANIA	Aniakchak Crater	Repaired coax. replaces aircells, aligned antennas; Hammond, Sanchez
99080	7 ANNE	Aniakchak Northeast	Replaced aircells; Hammond, Sanchez
	8 ANNW	Aniakchak Northwest	Replaced aircells; Hammond, Sanchez
	6 ANPB	Aniakchak Plenty Bear	Repaired coax, replaced aircells; Hammond, Sanchez
	6 ANPK	Aniakchak Peak	Replaced Prostar 12, Celaires; Hammond, Sanchez
	7 ANSL		Dropped off batteries; Hammond, Sanchez
	7 <i>ANSL</i> 8 AUC		Repaired coax, replaced aircells; Hammond, Sanchez
	B AUE	Augustine Crater Augustine East	New McVCO @ -54dB; Lawson Replaced celairs, found bad solar panel; Lawson
	5 AUE	Augustine East	Replaced solar panel, and recharge bats; Lawson
	5 AUH	Augustine Dome "H"	Replaced celaire; Lawson
	B AUI	Augustine Island	Replaced VCO-z, power switcher, solar reg.; Lawson
99080	8 AUL	Augustine Lava	Installed one set celairs for broadband; Lawson
	5 AUL	Augustine Lava	Installed 3 set celaires, new power switcher and solar panel; Lawson
	6 AUL	Augustine Lava	Installed hut, new solar panels, batteries; Lawson
	6 AUP	Augustine Pinnacle	Replaced celairs; Lawson
	6 AUR	Augustine Rim	Replace VCO; Lawson
	8 AUR 6 AUS	Augustine Rim Augustine Summit	Installed new celairs; Lawson Replace celairs; Lawson
	B AUS	Augustine Summit	New McVCO @ -54dB, power switcher; Lawson
	B BGL	Barrier Glacier	Site visit, systems check; Paskievitch
	1 BGM	Big Mountain	Inspected, suspect tx problem; Tytgat
	5 BGM	Big Mountain	Installed new Hamtronics transmitter, replaced 2 concords & celairs; Lawson
99092	8 BGM	Big Mountain	Replaced coax; Lawson
	B BGR	Barries Glacier	Replaced VCO, systems check; Paskievitch
99082	6 BKG	Blockade Glacier	Replaced batteries, replaced antenna, relocated geophone within culvert; site had
00001	8 BLHA	Black Hills	suffered bear damage; Paskievitch
	8 BMR	Bremner	Replaced McVCO and replaced one voltage reg; Estes Recon for new broad-band site; Estes, Foshe
	7 BRPK	Brown Peak	Inspected; Tytgat
	6 CAHL	Cahill	Replaced L-4, systems check; Paskievitch
	5 CAHL	Cahill	Replaced door of Plaschem hut, systems check; Paskievitch
		Cold Bay receivers	Adjust levels; Tytgat
		Cold Bay receivers	Adjust levels; Estes
	8 CKL	Chakachamna Lake	Site visit, systems check; Paskievitch
	B CKN 6 CKT	Chakachatna North Bend	Replaced batteries, systems check; Paskievitch
	3 CNP	China Poot	Site visit, systems check; Paskievitch Inspect, needs new coax, batts; Lawson, Hammond
	1 CNP	China Poot	Replaced batteries, coax, solar reg.; Tytgat, Lawson
	5 CNTC	Contact Creek	opened squelch on KJL receiver, systems check; Paskievitch
	B CP2	Crater Peak Two	replaced power regulator, systems check; Paskievitch
99082	6 CRP	Crater Peak	replaced batteries at CRP-old, systems check of CRP-old and CRP-new;
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99082	8 CRP	Crater Peak	Replaced batteries at CRP-old, systems check of CRP-old and CRP-new;
99070	8 CRQ	Cirque	Paskievitch Inspect station, looks good; Estes, Foshe
	2 CYK	Cape Yakataga	Inspect, SMA count=1, WRG filter=off; Estes, Foshe
	B DFR	Drift River	Site visit, systems check; Paskievitch
		Diamond Ridge	Reset AUL modem parameters, drop AUP, add AUP to filter bridge; Lawson
99092	9 DMR_F	Diamond Ridge	Ran AUS & AUC receiver directly to mixer; Lawson
	1 ETKA	Kagalaska Island	Installed new station
	9 FID	Fidalgo	Inspect site, all is fine; Estes, Foshe
	8 GLB	Gilahina Butte	Replace N-S seismic cable; Estes, Foshe
	2 GLI 1 GOU	Glacier Island Gould Hall	Inspect site, looks good; Estes, Foshe Replace anti-alais filters, remove inverter; Estes
	2 GOU	Gould Hall	Replace receiver for RC01; Estes
1 33001		- 5010 11011	

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991012	COLL	Gould Hall	Emargangu rangir of Sun Computar: Estas Pohingan
991105		Gould Hall	Emergency repair of Sun Computer; Estes, Robinson Install box on roof for Freewave, run power cable. Install new Arise
331100	000	Godia Hali	computer; Estes, Tytgat
990706	GSCK	Great Sitkin Cape Kiugilak	Installed new station
990709		Great Sitkin Igitkin Island	Installed new station
990709		Great Sitkin Middle Yoke Creek	
990705		Great Sitkin Saddle Point	Installed new station
990705		Great Sitkin Triple Divide	Installed new station
990719		Great Sitkin Teapot Rock	Installed new station
990712	HIN	Hinchinbrook	Inspect, hut abraided, 34.75" lid needed; Estes, Foshe
990929	HOM	Homer	New McVCO; Lawson
990909	ILI	Iliamna Volcano	Inspect, looked beautiful! Tytgat, Lawson
990909		Iliamna NWT	Replace celairs; Tytgat, Lawson
990909		Iliamna Low S	Inspected station; Laswon
990909		Iliamna NE	Replace celairs; Tytgat, Lawson
990528		Isanotski North	Inspect, station looks good; Tytgat, Nye, Begét
990727		Isanotski North	Replace solar reg; Tytgat
990727		Isanotski Volcano	Replaced power switcher & solar reg; Tytgat
990909		Iliamna VolcanoE	Replace N-S VCO, rewire; Tytgat, Lawson
990909		Iliamna VolcanoS	Replaced two set of celairs, righted antenna; Tytgat, Lawson
990815 990714		Katmai Barrier Ridge Katmai Hardscrabble Creek	Systems check; Paskievitch
990717		Katmai Hook Glacier	Changed gain 66 to 78, systems check; Paskievitch Changed gain 60 to 66, systems check; Paskievitch
990712		Kyak Island	Inspect site, needs chains & bolts; Estes & Foshe
990717		Katmai Pasha	Secured station enclosure, replaced both SS6 reg., systems check;
330111	IVAL II	Ratifial Lastia	Paskievitch
990714	KARR	Katmai Rainbow River	Site visit, systems check; Paskievitch
990714		Katmai What	Systems check; Paskievitch
990715		Katmai	Replaced batteries, systems check; Paskievitch
990715		Katmai	Replaced batteries, systems check; Paskievitch
990714		Katmai	Replaced batteries, systems check; Paskievitch
990715	KEL	Kaitmai	Replaced batteries, systems check; Paskievitch
990716	KICM	Kanaga Island Cape Miga	Installed new station
990716		Kanaga Island Kanaga Volcano	Installed new station
990717		Kanaga IslandMID Benchmark	Installed new station
990715		Kanaga Island North Cape	Installed new station
990716		Kanaga Island Round Head	Installed new station
990709		Kanaga Island Westway Bight	Installed new station
990717		Kejulik	Opened squelch on CAHL receiver, systems check; Paskievitch
990714		Katmai	Replaced batteries, systems check; Paskievitch
990709 990716		LaTouche Island	Replace batteries; Estes, Foshe
990716		Observation Observation	Systems check; Paskievitch
990517		Middleton Island	Systems check; Paskievitch Service SMA; Estes
			Replace antenna, coax & new tx; Tytgat & Lawson
990825	MNAT	Makushin Nateekin Bay	Troubleshoot VCO of frequent problem; Tytgat
990826			Replaced corroded L4, VCO & solar reg; Tytgat
990709		Montague Island	Remove L-4, A1VCO, 1 batt & culvert lid; Estes, Foshe
990712		Montague Island	Remove reminder of station; Estes, Foshe
990818		North Capps Glacier	Site visit, systems check; Paskievitch
990723		Ninilchick	Replace celaires; Lawson, Hammond
990909		Oil Point	Inspect, needs new coax; Tytgat
	OPT	Oil Point	Replaced coax; Tytgat
990911		Pedro Bay	Inspect, needs new solar panel, VCO, aircells; Tytgat
990915		Pedro Bay	Install new solar panel, new McVCO, new celaires+ 2 concords; Lawson
		Port Heiden	Checked receiver site; Hammond & Sanchez
		Port Heiden	Set levels with GI, measure fade margins; Hammond & Sanchez
990818		Paylof North 7A	Replace upper solar panel and both voltage regs; Estes
990818		Pavlof Volcano 6	Replaced upper solar pannel and one voltage reg; Estes
990828 990828		Redoubt North Redoubt	Site visit, systems check; Paskievitch Site visit, systems check; Paskievitch
990828		Redoubt	Replaced batteries, replaced RED(e) geophone, systems check;
JJJUZU		Nodoubt	Paskievitch
990828	REF	Redoubt Flank	Snow and drift conditions at this site were to severe to allow for a safe
303020			landing (attempted); Paskievitch
990631	REP1	Adak repeater one	Install new repeater
990631		Adak repeater two	Install new repeater
990325		Rabbit Creek	Unplugged 409MHz transmitter due to interference; Strid & RC with
			follow-up note from FCC
990812		Rabbit Creek	Replace transmitter, install DCI filter, check levels; Estes
	SAW	Sawmill	Install Guralp broad band system; Estes, LaFevers, Foshe
990709	SGA	Sherman Glacier	Replace batteries, fix coax & solar cable; Estes, Foshe

990829	SLK	Skilak	Replaced regulator, systems check, installed new station SLK-new?;
			Paskievitch
990528	SSLN	Shishaldin North	Inspect, station in great shape; Tytgat, Nye, Begét
990726		Shishaldin North	Replaced power switcher and solar regs.; Tytgat
990528	SSLS	Shishaldin South	Inspect, bad solar reg; Tytgat, Nye, Begét
990726	SSLS	Shishaldin South	Replace power switcher, solar reg & aircells; Tytgat
990807	SSLS	Shishaldin South	Added reinforcement rail to solar panels, modify VCO; Tytgat
990726	SSLW	Shishaldin West	Replaced power switcher & solar regs, aircell=6416 hrs; Tytgat
990807	SSLW	Shishaldin West	Added reinforcement rail to solar panels; Tytgat
990826	STLK	Strandline Lake	Replaced antenna, cabling and batteries, systems check; Paskievitch
990722	STR R	Sterling	Reinstalled recivers and filter bridge which had been damaged by
	_	•	lighting; Lawson
990708	TGL	Tana Glacier	Replace boom on LP antenna; Estes, Foshe
990707	THY	Trimms	Inspect site; Estes, Foshe
990223	UNV	Unalaska Valley	Install Guralp 40T system; Larsen, McNamara
991130	UNV	Unalaska Vally	Replace modem; Marshall
990710	VLZ	Valdez	Inspect and calibrate; Estes & Foshe
990709	VZW	Valdez West	Remove everthing; Estes, Foshe
990712	WRG	White River Glacier	Inspect, needs new antenna; Estes, Foshe
990812	WESE	Westdahl East	Replace air cells, power switcher & solar reg; Tytgat
	WESN	Westdahl North	Replaced solar reg; Tytgat
	WESS	Westdahl South	Replace lower solar panel, solar reg, reinforced panel; Tytgat
	WFAR	Farris Peak	Replaced solar reg; Tytgat
	WPOG	Pogromni Volcano	Replaced solar reg; Tytgat
	WTUG	Tugamak Mt.	Inspect, station on aircells? Tytgat, Nye, Begét
	WTUG	Tugamak Mt.	Replace air cell, power switcher & solar reg; Tytgat
990928	XLV	Seldovia	Discovered bad sp4; Lawson

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AVO = 130 station\*visits

Some of the sites not visited during summer 1999:

AVO: AHB, AKS, AKV, BLDY, CDD, CGL, DOL, DRR3, DT1, DTN, HAG, HSB, KAIC, KMC\_R, NCT, LVA, MCIR,

MSOM, MSW, MTBL. NCT, PS1A, PS4A, PVV, RDW(abandoned), RSO, SKN, SPU, SYI, ZRO

AEIC: KTH, NKA, PRG, SSN

# SEM Imaging of Hydromagmatic Quench Crack Structures on Alaskan Tephra Grains

We have identified quench crack structures on Alaska tephra grains (fig. 40) using the scanning electron microscope (SEM) at the University of Alaska in Fairbanks. SEM imaging of quench crack structures on pyroclasts and tephra grains constitutes a new and potentially useful research approach to understanding hydromagmatic explosive eruption mechanisms in Alaska.

Quench cracks (fig. 40) are a newly recognized surface feature found on particles generated in hydromagmatic explosive eruptions, and reproduced in experimental hydromagatic explosions (Buttner and others, 1999). Quench cracks form when fragmented hot magma is rapidly chilled by contact with liquid water. In the past, complicated granulometric crossplots have been used to identify deposits of hydromagmatic eruptions. Quench cracks can help in these interpretations by providing direct evidence of water-magma interactions

Extremely violent explosive eruptions, such as that at Krakatoa in 1883, can occur when magma comes into contact with water. Water is abundant at most Alaskan volcanoes, as some are covered with glacier ice, some are associated with extensive hydrothermal systems, some contain crater lakes, and some are on islands.

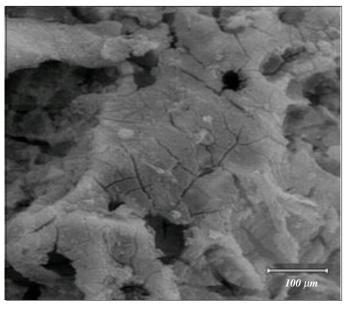


Fig. 40: SEM image of cooling fractures on a micropumice particle from a late Pleistocene Alaskan tephra fall deposit. Scale bar = 10 microns.

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# Ongoing Investigations

# Annual Report/ Progress Summary

My thesis project is focused on the pyroclastic flow, surge, fall, and possibly co-ignimbrite fall deposits from the caldera forming eruption of Volcan Ceboruco (~1000 AD), in central Mexico. This eruption produced ~3.5 km³ (DRE) of magma and ranged in composition from hybrid dacite to rhyolite.

The transport and depositional mechanics acting within the pyroclastic density currents responsible for the flow, surge, and possibly co-ignimbrite ash deposits will be the main focus of the study. More generalized aspects of this eruption that this study will address involve the development of a complete eruptive time scale and stratigraphy. This will include the timing for the deposition at the more isolated localities that have been ambiguous in nature due to their distance from the more straight forward proximal stratigraphy. I also will determine the timing within the eruptive sequence for when caldera collapse was initiated, and when it may have ceased.

An addition aspect of this study will involve the examination of the Ceboruco banded pumices. Although these pumices are widespread within the Ceboruco deposits, the frequency of their abundance, and the textural morphology vary throughout the eruptive sequence. The investigation into this variation may lead to critical insight relating to pre-eruptive conditions within the magma chamber, and the changing withdrawal mechanisms acting on the magma as the eruption continued.

The field research, sample collection, and mapping of these deposits was performed in mid-October to mid-November, 1999 with the assistance of Jim Gardner. The vast majority of the lab analysis will be completed by the end of summer, 2000, and preliminary analysis of several pyroclastic flow samples are already underway. This project is expected to be completed by Spring, 2001.

This work is supported by NSF. However, results may be of interest to AVO as well.

> Brandon Browne: Advisor-James Gardner

# Outreach

Steve McNutt responded to several email requests during the September through December timeframe of this issue:

- Sent information on volcanoes to a potential grad student (Vicki Miller) in Australia.
- Also answered questions from a Swiss doctor (Johan Ursing) interested in health effects of eruptions.
- Sent station lists and maps to Rick Clark of National Park Service.
- Sent volcano information to Bernice Hicks in New Zealand.
- ♦ Sent information on Redoubt to Lisa Shannon:

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a third year geography student researching for a project on thesubject of volcanic hazards and aeroplanes, bearing in mind the Redoubt incident in 1989 specifically.

Do you have archive material or information on this eruption and the consequent damage to the Boeing 747?

Lisa Shannon gg0u70f4@liverpool.ac.uk University of Liverpool England

 Sent information on Shishaldin. Below is the request.

Hi

I'm a10th grade student at the Pocono High School. I had some trouble finding information on Shishaldin volcano. I wanted to know how it affected people. All I could find was a sentence that said airline flights were canceled. Do you know anything about this volcano, or where she can find more info? If you could help me before Friday it would be greatly appreciated.

- Dave Schneider presented a talk to the Alaska Geographic Society at the Hilton Hotel in Anchorage entitled "Monitoring and Analysis of Volcanic Activity at the Alaska Volcano Observatory".
- Game McGimsey led a field trip of 20 junior high school students through AVO.

Jean Chiu

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# Addendum

# Log of Updates for the Current Period

ALASKA VOLCANOES UPDATE Friday, September 3, 1999, 10:30 AM **ADT (1830 UT)** Alaska Volcanoes:

Seismic activity is monitored in real time at 20 volcanoes in Alaska. Some of these volcanoes may currently display anomalous seismicity, but they are not considered to be at a dangerous

level of unrest.

Spurr, Redoubt, Iliamna, Augustine, Snowy, Griggs, Katmai, Novarupta, Trident, Mageik Martin, Aniakchak, Pavlof, Dutton, Isanotski, Shishaldin, Fisher, Westdahl, Akutan, and Makushin volcanoes are all at or near normal levels of background seismicity.

ABBREVIATED COLOR CODE KEY (contact AVO for complete

description)

volcano is dormant; normal GREEN seismicity and fumarolic

activity occurring YELLOW volcano is restless; eruption may occur

ORANGE volcano is in eruption or eruption may occur at any

**RED** 

significant eruption is occurring or explosive eruption expected at any Volcano Information n The Internet: http://www.avo.alaska.edu Recording of the status of Alaska's Volcanoes (907) 786-7478

**INFORMATION RELEASE 99-43** KAMCHATKAN VOLCANIC ACTIVITY Monday, Monday September 6, 1999, 12:00 KDT (2300 UTC)

The following Release was received by e-mail from KVERT (Kamchatkan VolcanicEruptions Response Team).

All times are Kamchatkan Daylight Time (KDT), 21 hours ahead of ADT.

Klyuchevskaya Group of Volcanoes: Klyuchevskoy Volcano:

56°03' N, 160°39' E; Elevation 4,750 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

During the last week (August 30-September 6), seismicity at the volcano was at background levels. On August 30-31, a gas and steam plume rose to a height of 500-1500 m above the crater. On September 2,4, and 5, the plume rose only 50-100 m above the volcano. On other days the volcano was obscured by clouds. Bezymianny Volcano:

55°58'N, 160°36'E; Elevation 2,895 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

No seismicity was registered under the volcano. On September 2, the fumarole plume rose 50 m above the volcano, extending more than 10 km plume to the southeast. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Sheveluch Volcano:

56°38' N, 161°19' E; Elevation 2,447m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity under the volcano was about at background levels. On August 30, a gas and steam plume rose 1200 m above the crater. On September 4 and 5, a gas and steam plume rose 100-200 m, extending 5 km to the southeast. On other days the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Karymsky Volcano:

54° 03'N, 159° 27'E; Elevation 1,486m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

The low level strombolian eruptive activity that has characterized thevolcano for more than three years continues. During the last week, the number of gas and ash explosions was more than 75 per day, to a height of 300-1000 m above the volcano. Visual observations by KVERT staff on September 1 and 5 confirm that explosive activity occurred every 10-20 minutes.

Avachinskaya Group of Volcanoes: 153° 15'N, 158° 51'E; CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN Seismicity at Avachinsky and Koryaksky volcanoes is at normal

ALASKA VOLCANOES UPDATE
Friday, September 10, 1999, 10:00 AM
ADT (1800 UT)

Alaska Volcanoes:

Alaska Volcanoes: No Change.

levels.

INFORMATION RELEASE 99-44
KAMCHATKAN VOLCANIC ACTIVITY
Monday, September 13, 1999, 12:00
KDT (2300 UTC)

Klyuchevskaya Group of Volcanoes: *Klyuchevskoy Volcano:* 

56° 03' N,160°39' E; Elevation 4,750m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

During the last week (September 6-12), seismicity at the volcano was at background levels. On September 7,8, and 12, a gas and steam plume rose to a height of 50-100 m above the crater. On other days the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Bezymianny Volcano:

55° 58'N, 160°36'E; Elevation 2,895 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

No seismicity was registered under the volcano. On September 12, the fumarolic plume rose 50 m above the volcano. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds. Sheveluch Volcano:

56° 38' N,161°19' E; Elevation 2,447m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity under the volcano was about at background levels. On September 12, a gas and steam plume rose 50 m. On other days the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Karymsky Volcano:

54° 03'N, 159°27'E; Elevation 1,486 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

The low level strombolian eruptive activity that has characterized the volcano for more than three years continues. During the last week, the number of gas and ash explosions decreased from 130 on September 6 to 80 on September 12. These explosions sent material to 300-1000 m above the volcano.

Avachinskaya Group of Volcanoes: 153° 15'N, 158°51'E;

CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity at Avachinsky and Koryaksky volcanoes is at normal levels. ALASKA VOLCANOES UPDATE
Friday, September 17, 1999, 10:30 AM
ADT (1830 UT)

Alaska Volcanoes: No Change.

INFORMATION RELEASE 99-45
KAMCHATKAN VOLCANIC ACTIVITY
Monday, September 20, 1999, 12:00
KDT (2300 UTC)

Klyuchevskaya Group of Volcanoes: *Klyuchevskoy Volcano*:

56° 03' N,160°39' E; Elevation 4,750m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

During the last week (September 13-19), seismicity at the volcano was at background levels. On September 15, a gas and steam plume rose 600 m above the crater, and on September 16, the plume rose 200 m above the volcano extending 5 km to the east. On other days the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Bezymianny Volcano:

55°58'N, 160°36'E; Elevation 2,895 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

No seismicity was registered under the volcano. During the last week, the volcano was obscured by clouds. Sheveluch Volcano:

56°38' N, 161°19' E; Elevation 2,447m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity under the volcano was about at background levels. During the last week, the volcano was obscured by clouds. Karymsky Volcano

54 °03'N, 159 °27'E; Elevation 1,486 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

The low level strombolian eruptive activity that has characterized the volcano for more than three years continues. During the last week, the number of gas and ash explosions was about 80 per day. These explosions sent material to 300-1000 m above the volcano.

Avachinskaya Group of Volcanoes: 153°15'N, 158°51'E;

CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity at Avachinsky and Koryaksky volcanoes is at normal levels.

ALASKA VOLCANOES UPDATE Friday, September 24, 1999, 10:30 AM ADT (1830 UT) Alaska Volcanoes:

No Change.

INFORMATION RELEASE 99-46
KAMCHATKAN VOLCANIC ACTIVITY
Monday, September 27, 1999, 12:00
KDT (2300 UTC)

Klyuchevskaya Group of Volcanoes: Klyuchevskoy Volcano:

56°03' N, 160°39' E; Elevation 4,750m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

During the past week (September 20-26), seismicity at the volcano was at background levels. Only shallow earthquakes were registered. On all days, a gas and steam plume rose 50-100 m above the crater, extending less than 5 km to the east or southeast.

Bezymianny Volcano:

55° 58'N, 160°36'E; Elevation 2,895 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

No seismicity was registered under the volcano. On September 22, a gas and steam plume rose 150 m above the crater, extending fanlike 10 km to the east. On September 23-24, weak fumarolic activity was registered. On September 26, a gas and steam plume rose 100 m above the volcano, extending 5 km to the northeast. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Sheveluch Volcano:

56°38' N, 161°19' E; Elevation 2,447m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity under the volcano was about at background levels. On September 23, a gas and steam plume rose 100 m above the crater, extending 5 km to the east. On September 24-25, a fumarolic plume rose 200 m above the volcano. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Karymsky Volcano:

54 °03'N, 159 °27'E; Elevation 1,486 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

The low level strombolian eruptive activity that has characterized the volcano for more than three years continues. During the past week, the number of gas and ash explosions decreased from 80 per day to 60. These explosions sent material to 300-1000 m above the volcano.

Avachinskaya Group of Volcanoes: 153°15'N, 158°51'E;

CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity at Avachinsky and Koryaksky volcanoes is at normal levels.

ALASKA VOLCANOES UPDATE Friday, October 1, 1999, 10:00 AM **ADT (1800 UT)** Alaska Volcanoes: No Change.

**INFORMATION RELEASE 99-47** KAMCHATKAN VOLCANIC ACTIVITY Monday, October 4, 1999, 12:00 KDT (2300 UTC)

Klyuchevskaya Group of Volcanoes: Klyuchevskoy Volcano:

56° 03' N,160°39' E; Elevation 4,750m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

During the past week (September 27-October 3), seismicity at the volcano was at background levels. Only shallow earthquakes were registered. On September 28, a gas and steam plume rose 500 m above the crater, extending 5 km to the south. On October 3, a fumarolic plume rose 300 m above the volcano. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Bezymianny Volcano:

55° 58'N, 160°36'E; Elevation 2,895 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

No seismicity was registered under the volcano. On September 28, a gas and steam plume rose 100 m above the crater, extending more than 10 km to the south. On October 3, weak fumarolic activity was registered. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Sheveluch Volcano:

56°38' N, 161°19' E; Elevation 2,447m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity under the volcano was about at background levels. During the past week, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Karymsky Volcano:

54°03'N, 159°27'E; Elevation 1,486 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

The low level strombolian eruptive activity that has characterized the volcano for more than three years continues. During the past week, the number of gas and ash explosions was 60-75 per day. These explosions sent material to 300-1000 m above the volcano.

Avachinskaya Group of Volcanoes: 153°15'N. 158°51'E:

CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity at Avachinsky and Koryaksky volcanoes is at normal levels.

ALASKA VOLCANOES UPDATE Friday, October 8, 1999, 10:00 AM **ADT (1800 UT)** Alaska Volcanoes: No Change.

**INFORMATION RELEASE 99-48** KAMCHATKAN VOLCANIC ACTIVITY Monday, October 11, 1999, 12:00 KDT (2300 UTC)

Klyuchevskaya Group of Volcanoes: Klvuchevskov Volcano:

56° 03' N,160°39' E; Elevation 4,750m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

During the past week (October 4-October 11), seismicity at the volcano was at background levels. Only shallow earthquakes were registered. On October 5, a gas and steam plume rose 200 m above the crater, extending 3 km to the east. On October 7, a fumarolic plume rose 100 m above the volcano. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Bezymianny Volcano:

55 °58'N, 160 °36'E; Elevation 2,895 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

On October 6, a shallow earthquake was registered under the volcano. On October 7, weak fumarolic activity was registered. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Sheveluch Volcano:

56 °38' N, 161°19' E; Elevation 2,447m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity under the volcano was about at background levels. On October 7, a fumarolic plume rose 100 m above the volcano. During the past week, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Karymsky Volcano:

54 °03'N, 159 °27'E; Elevation 1,486 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

The low level strombolian eruptive activity that has characterized the volcano for more than three years continues. During the past week, the number of gas and ash explosions decreased from 60-75 per day to 15-30. These explosions sent material to 300-1000 m above the volcano.

Avachinskaya Group of Volcanoes: 153°15'N, 158°51'É;

CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity at Avachinsky and Koryaksky volcanoes is at normal levels.

<u>ALASKA VOLCANOES UPDATE</u> Friday, October 15, 1999, 10:00 AM **ADT (1000 UT)** Alaska Volcanoes: No Change.

ALASKA VOLCANOES UPDATE Friday, October 22, 1999, 10:00 AM ADT (1800 UT) Alaska Volcanoes: No Change

**INFORMATION RELEASE 99-50** KAMCHATKAN VOLCANIC ACTIVITY Monday, October 25, 1999, 15:00 KDT (0200 UTC)

Klyuchevskaya Group of Volcanoes: Klyuchevskoy Volcano:

56°03' N, 160°39' E; Elevation 4,750m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

During the past week (October 18-October 24), seismicity at the volcano was at background levels. Mainly shallow earthquakes were recorded. On October 20-21 and 24, a gas and steam plume rose 50-200 m above the crater. On October 22-23. a fumarolic plume rose 700-1000m above the volcano extending 5-20 km to the east and southeast. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Bezymianny Volcano:

55°58'N, 160°36'E; Elevation 2,895 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

On October 22-24, a gas and steam plume rose 50-100 m above the crater extending 5-10 km to the E and SE. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds. No seismicity was registered beneath the volcano.

Sheveluch Volcano:

56°38' N, 161°19' E; Elevation 2,447m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity under the volcano was about at background levels. On October 23, a fumarolic plume rose 100 m above the volcano. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Karymsky Volcano:

54°03'N, 159°27'E; Elevation 1,486 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

The low level strombolian eruptive activity that has characterized the volcano for more than three years continues. During the past week, the number of gas and ash explosions was 20-35 per day. These explosions sent material to 300-1000 m above the volcano.

Avachinskaya Group of Volcanoes: 153°15'N, 158°51'É

CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN

COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity at Avachinsky and Koryaksky volcanoes is at normal levels.

Gorely Volcano:

52°33'N, 158°02'E, Elevation 1,829 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

On October 22, at 18:32 (KDT), a 10minute series of shallow earthquakes was recorded at the volcano. The last Gorely eruptive activity occurred in 1980-81 and 1984-86.

ALASKA VOLCANOES UPDATE Friday, October 29, 1999, 10:30 AM ADT (1830 UT) Alaska Volcanoes: No Change.

INFORMATION RELEASE 99-51 KAMCHATKAN VOLCANIC ACTIVITY Friday, October 29, 1999, 10:00 KDT (2100 UTC)

Please note that this Weekly Information Release will be transmitted on Fridays beginning today.
Klyuchevskaya Group of Volcanoes:

Klyuchevskoy Volcano:

56°03' N, 160°39' E; Elevation 4,750m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW PREVIOUS LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE WAS GREEN

During October 25-28, seismicity at the volcano was above back-ground levels. Shallow earth-quakes and volcanic tremor were recorded. On October 25 and 27, a gas and steam plume rose 50-300 m above the crater, extending to the east and northeast. On October 26, a fumarolic plume rose 1000 m above the volcano extending 40 km to the northeast. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Bezymianny Volcano:

55°58'N, 160o36'E; Elevation 2,895 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

On October 25-27, a gas and steam plume rose 50 m above the crater extending 5-10 km to the E and SE. On October 28, the volcano was obscured by clouds. No seismicity was registered beneath the volcano.

Sheveluch Volcano:

56°38' N, 161°19' E; Elevation 2,447m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity under the volcano was about at background levels. On October 25-26, a fumarolic plume rose 50-100 m above the volcano. On October 27, at 8:59 AM KDT, a short-lived ash explosion was observed. Accompanying 20-minute burst of seismic activity was recorded. According to a Japanese satellite image taken at

12:32 KDT, an ash plume extended northeast at an altitude of 6,900 m ASL. On October 28, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Karymsky Volcano:

54 °03'N, 159 °27'E; Elevation 1,486 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

The low level strombolian eruptive activity that has characterized the volcano for more than three years continues. During the past week, the number of gas and ash explosions was 20-35 per day. These explosions sent material to 300-1000 m above the volcano.

Avachinskaya Group of Volcanoes: 153°15'N, 158°51'E;

CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN
COLOR CODE IS GREEN
Seismicity at Avachinsky and

Koryaksky volcanoes is at normal levels.

ALASKA VOLCANOES UPDATE Friday, November 5, 1999, 10:30 AM AST (1930 UT) Alaska Volcanoes:

No Change.

INFORMATION RELEASE 99-52 KAMCHATKAN VOLCANIC ACTIVITY Friday, November 5, 1999, 10:00 KST

(2200 UTC) Klyuchevskaya Group of Volcanoes: Klyuchevskoy Volcano:

56°03' N, 160°39' E; Elevation 4,750m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN PREVIOUS LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE WAS YELLOW

During the last week (October 29-November 4), seismicity at the volcano was at background levels. Shallow earthquakes and volcanic tremor were recorded. On October 29-31 and November 4, a gas and steam plume rose 50-300 m above the crater, extending 5 km to the southeast. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Bezymianny Volcano:

55°58'N, 160°36'E; Elevation 2,895 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

On October 29-31, a gas and steam plume rose 50 m above the crater. On November 1, the plume rose 200 m above the crater, extending 10 km to the south. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds. No seismicitywas registered beneath the volcano.

Sheveluch Volcano:

56°38' N, 161°19' E; Elevation 2,447m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW PREVIOUS LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE WAS GREEN Seismicity under the volcano was above background levels. On October 30, the volcano was quiet but on October 31 at 6:32 KDT, a 20-minute series of shallow earthquakes and tremor were registered that may have been associated with explosions on the dome. At daylight October 31, a fumarolic plume rose 50 m above the volcano. According to visual reports from Klyuchi town, on November 1 at 10:10 KST, a short-lived explosive eruption sent an ash plume to height s of 5.5-6.0 km ASL; an accompanying increase in seismic activity occurred. This plume extended to the south. On November 2, a fumarolic plume rose 50 m above the volcano. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds. Karymsky Volcano:

54 °03'N, 159 °27'E; Elevation 1,486 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

The low level strombolian eruptive activity that has characterized the volcano for more than three years continues. During the past week, the number of gas and ash explosions was 20-35 per day. These explosions sent material to 300-1000 m above the volcano.

Avachinskaya Group of Volcanoes: 53°15'N, 158°51'E;

CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity at Avachinsky and Koryaksky volcanoes is at normal levels.

INFORMATION RELEASE 99-53 KAMCHATKAN VOLCANIC ACTIVITY Friday, November 12, 1999, 10:30 KST (2230 UTC)

Klyuchevskaya Group of Volcanoes: *Klyuchevskoy Volcano:* 

56°03' N, 160°39' E; Elevation 4,750m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

During the last week (November 5-11), seismicity at the volcano was slightly above background levels. Shallow earthquakes and volcanic tremor were recorded. On November 5, 7-8, and 10-11, a gas and steam plume rose 100-300 m above the crater, extending 5 km to the southeast on November 7. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Bezymianny Volcano:

55°58'N, 160°36'E; Elevation 2,895 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

On November 5 and 11, a gas and steam plume rose 50-200 m above the crater. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds. No seismicity was registered beneath the volcano.

Sheveluch Volcano:

56°38' N, 161°19' E; Elevation 2,447m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

Seismicity under the volcano was above background levels. On November 8 and 10, three 20-50 minute long series of shallow earthquakes and tremor were recorded that may have been associated with explosions on the dome. The volcano was obscured by clouds November 5-10. On November 11, a fumarolic plume rose 200 m above the volcano. *Karymsky Volcano:* 

54°03'N, 159°27'E; Elevation 1,486 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

The low level strombolian eruptive activity that has characterized the volcano for more than three years continues. During the past week, the number of gas and ash explosions was 20-50 per day. These explosions sent material to 300-1000 m above the volcano.

Avachinskaya Group of Volcanoes: 53°15'N, 158°51'E;

CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN
COLOR CODE IS GREEN
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Korvaksky volcanoes is at norma

Koryaksky volcanoes is at normal levels.

ALASKA VOLCANOES UPDATE Friday, November 12, 1999, 10:30 AM AST (1930 UT) Alaska Volcanoes: No Change.

INFORMATION RELEASE 99-54 KAMCHATKAN VOLCANIC ACTIVITY Friday, November 19, 1999, 12:00 KST (2400 UTC)

The following Release was received by e-mail from KVERT (Kamchatkan Volcanic

Klyuchevskaya Group of Volcanoes: *Klyuchevskoy Volcano:* 

56°03' N, 160°39' E; Elevation 4,750m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

During the last week (November 12-18), seismicity at the volcano was above background levels. Shallow earthquakes and volcanic tremor were recorded especially on November 15. On November 12 and 18. a fumarolic plume rose 100 m above the crater. On November 15, a gas and steam plume rose 1000 m above the volcano, extending more than 7 km to the northeast. On November 16, a gas and steam plume rose 200 m, extending 5 km to the southeast. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Bezymianny Volcano:

55°58'N, 160°36'E; Elevation 2,895 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

No seismicity was registered beneath the volcano. On November 12, a gas and steam plume rose 50 m above the crater. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Sheveluch Volcano:

56°38' N, 161°19' E; Elevation 2,447m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN PREVIOUS LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE WAS YELLOW

Seismicity under the volcano was at background levels. On November 17 at 08-31 KST, a 5 minute long series of shallow earthquakes and tremor were recorded that may have been associated with an explosion on the dome. On November 12 and 16, a fumarolic plume rose 200 m above the crater. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Karymsky Volcano:

54 °03'N, 159 °27'E; Elevation 1,486 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

The low level strombolian eruptive activity that has characterized the volcano for more than three years continues. During the past week, the number of gas and ash explosions decreased from 20-50 per day to 10-20. These explosions sent material to 300-1000 m above the volcano.

Avachinskaya Group of Volcanoes: 53°15'N, 158°51'E;

CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN
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Seismicity at Avachinsky and Koryaksky volcanoes is at normal levels.

ALASKA VOLCANOES UPDATE
Friday, November 19, 1999, 1:30 PM
AST (2230 UT)
Alaska Volcanoes:
No Change.

ALASKA VOLCANOES UPDATE
Friday, November 26, 1999, 9:00 AM
AST (1800 UT)
Alaska Volcanoes:
No Change.

INFORMATION RELEASE 99-56
KAMCHATKAN VOLCANIC ACTIVITY
Friday, November 26, 1999, 12:00
KST (2400 UTC)
Klyuchevskaya Group of Volcanoes

Klyuchevskaya Group of Volcanoes Klyuchevskoy Volcano:

56°03' N, 160°39' E; Elevation 4,750m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

During the past week (November 19-25), seismicity at the volcano was above background levels. Shallow earthquakes and volcanic tremor were registered, especially on November 21 and 25. On November 19 and 22-24, a fumarolic plume rose 100 m above the crater, extending more than 5 km to the east. On November 21 and 25, a gas and steam plume rose 1000 m above the volcano, extending more than 7 km to the east. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Bezymianny Volcano:

55°58'N, 160°36'E; Elevation 2,895 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

No seismicity was registered beneath the volcano. On November 19 and 22, a fumarolic plume rose 50 m above the crater. On November 23, a gas and steam plume rose 500 m above the volcano. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Sheveluch Volcano:

56°38' N, 161°19' E; Elevation 2,447m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity under the volcano was at background levels. On November 19 and 22, a fumarolic plume rose 200 m above the crater. On November 24 at 08:44 KST, a gas and ash plume rose 3 km above the crater. This plume disappeared within one hour. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Karymsky Volcano:

54 °03'N, 159 °27'E; Elevation 1,486 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

The low level strombolian eruptive activity that has characterized the volcano for more than three years continues. During the past week, the number of gas and ash explosions decreased from 10-20 per day to 2-5. These explosions sent material to 300-1000 m above the volcano.

Avachinskaya Group of Volcanoes: 53°15'N, 158°51'E;

CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity at Avachinsky and Koryaksky volcanoes is at normal levels.

INFORMATION RELEASE 99-57
KAMCHATKAN VOLCANIC ACTIVITY
Friday, December 3, 1999, 12:00 KST
(2400 UTC)
Klyuchevskaya Group of Volcanoes
Klyuchevskoy Volcano:
56°03' N, 160°39' E; Elevation 4,750m
CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN
COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

During the past week (November 26-December 2), seismicity at the volcano was above background levels. Shallow earthquakes and volcanic tremor were registered. On November 26, 28, and December 1, a fumarolic plume rose 50-200 m above the crater. On November 29 and December 1, a gas and steam plume rose 1500 m above the volcano and extending more than 20 km to the southeast. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Bezymianny Volcano: 55°58'N, 160°36'E; Elevation 2,895 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

No seismicity was registered beneath the volcano. On November 26, 29, and December 2, , a fumarolic plume rose 50-200 m above the crater. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Sheveluch Volcano:

56°38' N, 161°19' E; Elevation 2,447m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity under the volcano was at background levels. On November 26, 29, 30 and December 1-2, a fumarolic plume rose 50-200 m above the crater. On November 27 at 20:31 and December 2 at 2:37 KST, a gas and ash plume rose 1000-2000 m above the crater. These plumes disappeared within one hour. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Karymsky Volcano:

54°03'N, 159°27'E; Elevation 1,486 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

The low level strombolian eruptive activity that has characterized the volcano for more than three years continues. During the past week, the number of gas and ash explosions 1-10 per day. These explosions sent material to 300-1000 m above the volcano.

Avachinskaya Group of Volcanoes: 53°15'N, 158°51'E;

CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity at Avachinsky and Koryaksky volcanoes is at normal levels.

ALASKA VOLCANOES UPDATE
Friday, December 3, 1999, 10:30 AM
AST (1930 UT)
Alaska Volcanoes:
No Change.

INFORMATION RELEASE 99-58
KAMCHATKAN VOLCANIC ACTIVITY
Friday, December 10, 1999, 12:00
KST (2400 UTC)
Klyuchevskaya Group of Volcanoes
Klyuchevskoy Volcano:
56°03' N, 160°39' E; Elevation 4,750m
CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN

COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

During the past week (December 3-9), seismicity at the volcano was above background levels. Shallow earthquakes and volcanic tremor were registered. On December 3, a fumarolic plume rose 200-300 m above the crater and extended 5 km to the east. On December 8, a gas and steam plume rose 2500 m above the volcano. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Bezymianny Volcano:

55°58'N, 160°36'E; Elevation 2,895 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

No seismicity was registered beneath the volcano. On December 3, a fumarolic plume rose 300 m above the crater, extending to the southeast. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Sheveluch Volcano:

56°38' N, 161°19' E; Elevation 2,447m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity under the volcano was at background levels. The volcano was obscured by clouds on December 3-8; on December 9, no plume was visible.

Karymsky Volcano:

54 °03'N, 159 °27'E; Elevation 1,486 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

We have no data on activity of this volcano because the nearest seismic station KRY is out of order. According to the regional seismic net, no strong events occurred during the past week.

Avachinskaya Group of Volcanoes: 53°15'N, 158°51'E;

CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity at Avachinsky and Koryaksky volcanoes is at normal levels.

ALASKA VOLCANOES UPDATE Friday, December 10, 1999, 12:30 PM AST (2130 UT) Alaska Volcanoes:

No Change.

This past summer AVO installed a new seismic network on Great Sitkin volcano. It is located (52°05, N, 176°08, W) among the Andreanof Islands in the Central Aleutians. AVO has received sufficient information on background seismicity, and will now include the volcano in the Weekly Updates.

INFORMATION RELEASE 99-59
KAMCHATKAN VOLCANIC ACTIVITY
Friday, December 17, 1999, 10:00
KST (2200 UTC)

Klyuchevskaya Group of Volcanoes Klyuchevskoy Volcano:

56°03' N, 160°39' E; Elevation 4,750m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

During the past week (December 10-16), seismicity at the volcano was above background levels. Shallow earthquakes and volcanic tremor were registered. On December 10, a fumarolic plume rose 200 m above the crater and extended 5 km to the east. On December 16, weak fumarolic activity was observed. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Bezymianny Volcano:

55°58'N, 160°36'E; Elevation 2,895 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

No seismicity was registered beneath the volcano. On December 10 and 16, weak fumarolic activity was observed at the volcano. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Sheveluch Volcano:

56°38' N, 161°19' E; Elevation 2,447m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity under the volcano was at background levels. On December 10, a fumarolic plume rose 100 m above the crater. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Karymsky Volcano:

54 °03'N, 159 °27'E; Elevation 1,486 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS YELLOW

We have no data on activity of this volcano because the nearest seismic station KRY continued to be out of order. According to the regional seismic net, no strong events occurred during the past week.

Avachinskaya Group of Volcanoes: 53°15'N, 158°51'E;

CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity at Avachinsky and Koryaksky volcanoes is at normal levels.

ALASKA VOLCANOES UPDATE
Friday, December 17, 1999, 12:30 PM
AST (2130 UT)

Alaska Volcanoes:
No Change.

ALASKA VOLCANOES UPDATE
Thursday, December 23, 1999, 10:00
AM AST (1900 UT)
Merry Christmas from AVO!!!
Alaska Volcanoes:
No Change.

INFORMATION RELEASE 99-60
KAMCHATKAN VOLCANIC ACTIVITY
Friday, December 24, 1999, 12:00
KST (0000 UTC)

Dear colleagues:

Have a Merry Christmas! Klyuchevskaya Group of Volcanoes Klyuchevskoy Volcano:

56°03' N, 160°39' E; Elevation 4,750m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN PREVIOUS LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE WAS YELLOW

During the past week (December 17-23), seismicity at the volcano was at background levels. Shallow earthquakes and volcanic tremor were registered. On December 17 and 19-21, a fumarolic plume rose 50-200 m above the crater and extended 1-3 km to the east. On December 23, a fumarolic plume rose 700 m above the crate and extended to the northeast. On December 19, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Bezymianny Volcano:

55°58'N, 160°36'E; Elevation 2,895 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

No seismicity was registered beneath the volcano. On December 17 and 22, weak fumarolic activity was observed at the volcano; on Dec. 20-21, no plume was visible.On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Sheveluch Volcano:

56°38' N, 161°19' E; Elevation 2,447m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN

Seismicity under the volcano was at background levels. On December 17 and 20-21, a fumarolic plume rose 100-200 m above the crater. On other days, the volcano was obscured by clouds.

Karymsky Volcano:

54 °03'N, 159 °27'E; Elevation 1,486 m CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN PREVIOUS LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE WAS YELLOW

The seismic station KRY was restored to operation on Dec. 19. Seismicity at the volcano has now decreased to background levels. About 1-2 local earthquakes occur every day and the volcano has returned to its normal state.

Avachinskaya Group of Volcanoes: 53°15'N, 158°51'E;

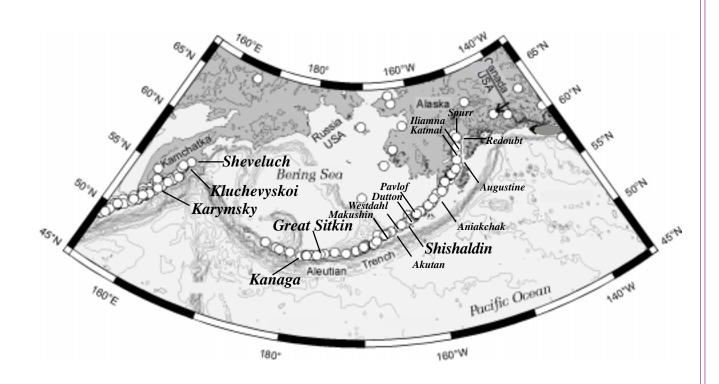
CURRENT LEVEL OF CONCERN COLOR CODE IS GREEN Seismicity at Avachinsky and

Koryaksky volcanoes is at normal levels.

INFORMATION RELEASE 99-61
KAMCHATKAN VOLCANIC ACTIVITY
Thursday, December 30, 1999, 12:00
KST (0000 UTC)
Dear colleagues:
Have a Happy 2000 New Year!

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Map showing Alaska Peninsula, Aleutian arc and Kamchatka Peninsula and subregions of study. White circles are volcanoes. Names are given for all monitored volcanoes, including Kamchatkan volcanoes mentioned in this report.

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