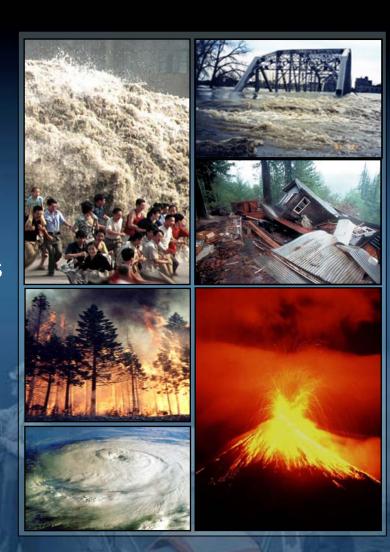


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USGS Stafford Act roles and responsibilities

- USGS has the lead federal responsibility to provide notification and warnings for earthquakes, volcanoes, and landslides.
- In addition, USGS seismic networks support NOAA in carrying out its tsunami warning responsibility; USGS streamgages and storm surge monitors support NOAA's flood and severe storm (including hurricane) warnings; and our geomagnetic observatories support space weather forecasts.
- USGS geospatial information supports response operations for wildfire and other hazards.





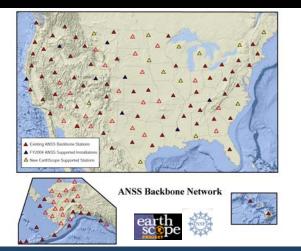
The USGS role in NEHRP

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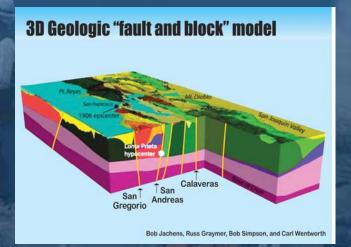
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- Assess seismic hazards, and
- Conduct research needed to reduce the risk from earthquake hazards nationwide.











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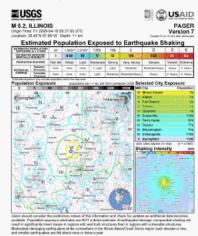
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M5.2 Mount Carmel, Illinois, Earthquake of 18 April 2008



EARTHQUAKE SUMMARY MAP XXX Prepared in cooperation with the Global Sciencegraphic Network

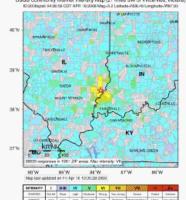
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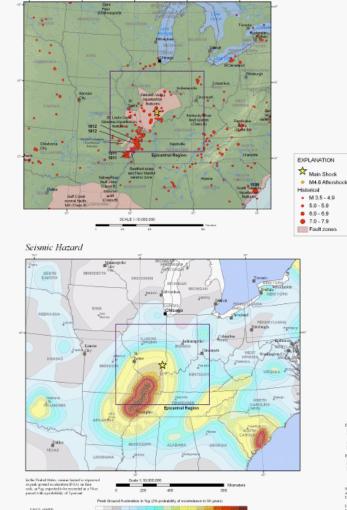


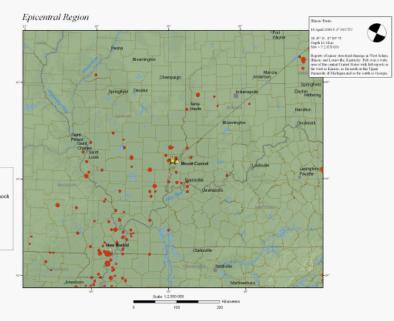
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Colors on this map show the levels of horizontal shaking that have a 1-in-10 chance of being exceeded in a 50-year period. Shaking is expressed as a percentage of g (g is the acceleration of a falling object due to gravity).

The Update Process

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Changes to the Maps

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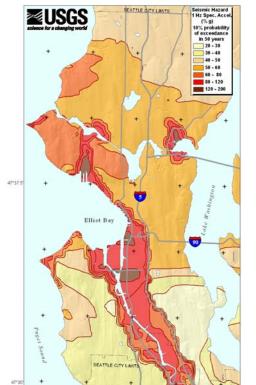
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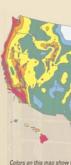
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Conduct research needed to reduce the risk from earthquake hazards

How Did Scientists Make This Forecast? 30-Year Earthquake Probability California sits on the boundary between two of the Earth's major tectonic plates—the Pacific and North American Plates—which move inexorably past each other at a rate of about 2 inches per year. Much of this motion is accommodated from time to time by sudden slip on faults, producing earthquakes. Although the San Andreas Fault is the main locus of slip, hundreds, if not thousands, of other faults splay out from the The Composite plate boundary, spreading the threat of large earthquake ruptures through most of the State. Forecast—UCERF The new Uniform California Earthquake Rupture Forecast (UCERF) combines The final forecast results from Information from geodesy (precise data on the slow relative movement of evaluating and integrating several the Earth's tectonic plates), geology (mapped locations of faults and docutypes of scientific data. mented offsets on them), seismology (occurrence patterns of past earthquakes), and paleoseismology (data from trenches across faults documenting the dates and offsets of past earthquakes on them). The first three kinds of data are shown here as layers in the diagram. All four kinds of data are combined mathematically to produce the final probability values for future ruptures in the California area, in regions of the State, and on individual faults. Seismology Building on several previous studies and decades of data collection, UCERF was developed by a multidisciplinary group of scientists and engineers, known Monitoring instruments provide a as the 2007 Working Group on California Earthquake Probabilities. Advice and record of California earthquakes comment was sought regularly from the broader community of earthquake sciduring recent historical times-where Paleoseismology entists and engineers through open meetings and workshops. Where experts and when they occur and how strong they are disagreed on aspects of the forecast, alternative options were accounted for in calculations to reflect these uncertainties. The final forecast is a sophisticated By analyzing the evidence for dates integration of scientific fact and expert opinion. and amounts of slip of past earthquakes in the walls of a trench dug across a fault, scientists can extend the fault's earthquake record into Geology Geologic field mapping and aerial photos trace out California's many faults and document the accumulated slip in earth-Trenching across the quakes over thousands of years. Color spectrum Hayward Fault in Fremont shows rates of slip, from fast (purple and red) to very The San Andreas Fault Geodesv passes through the Global positioning system (GPS) observations by satellite document how fast various points in California are moving (arrows) in response to the steady motion of the Pacific and North Fault Plane Ruptured American tectonic plates. Earthquake Magnitudes and the Areas of Fault Rupture Length Average slip (square miles) (miles) The magnitude of an earthquake (M), which is a measure of the energy released in the quake, is dependent on the area 0.8 of the fault plane that ruptures (length times depth) and the 1.5 distance the fault slips during the quake. 2.7 4.8 7.5 8.5

NEHRP Draft Plan: Addressing the strategic priorities

In 2008, we are using multihazards initiative funds to make progress on two of the strategic priority areas:

- Fully implement Advanced National Seismic System (ANSS)
- Develop & conduct earthquake scenarios for effective earthquake risk mitigation

T FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT www.nehrp.gov/plans/publiccomment.htm



Strategic Plan

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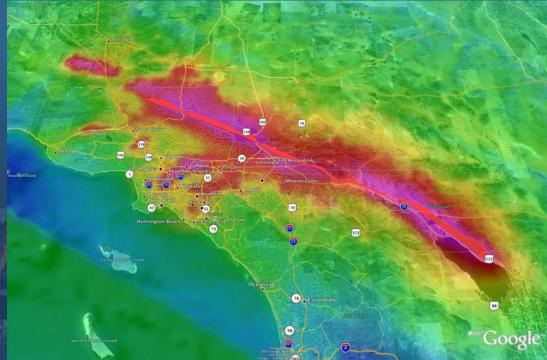




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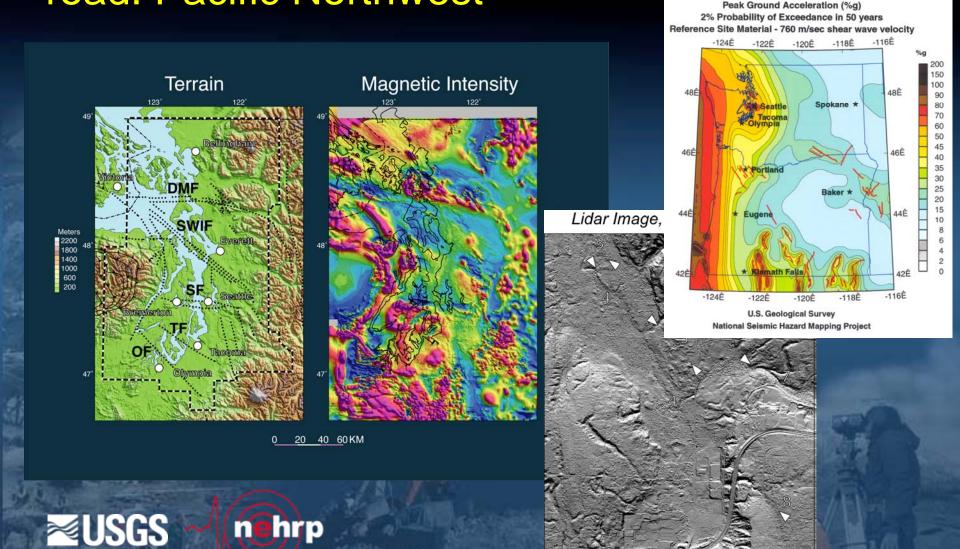
- USGS and partners will create complete "rupture-torecovery scenario" for most likely earthquake
- Use scenario to run region-wide exercise in 2008
- Agreement with Office of Homeland Security to make this the 2008 "Golden Guardian Exercise"





Taking the multi-hazard initiative on the road: Pacific Northwest

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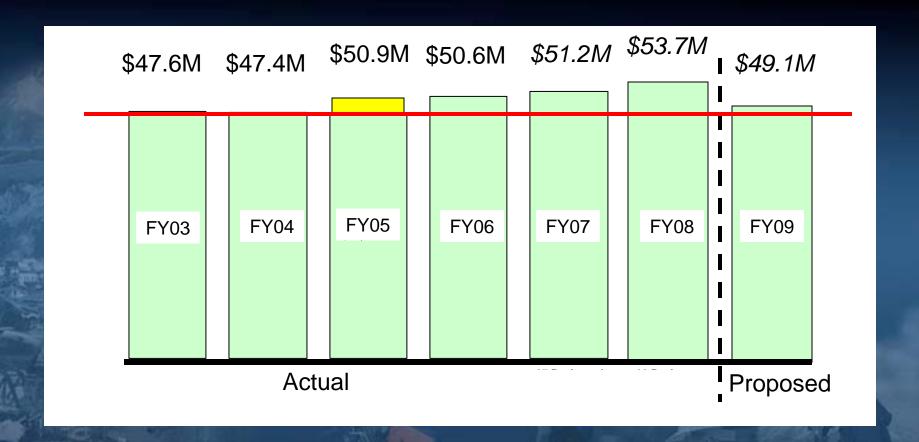
Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee 2007 report recommendations

- 1. Full funding of the ANSS at authorized levels.
- 2. Endorsement of multi-hazards demonstration project and encourage expansion to include other high-risk areas.
- 3. USGS should develop comprehensive monitoring, analysis and research program to study the significance of episodic tremor and slip events.
- 4. Need for hiring in order to maintain ability of USGS to fulfill its NEHRP responsibilities.





Recent Earthquake Hazards Program funding history and FY09 request



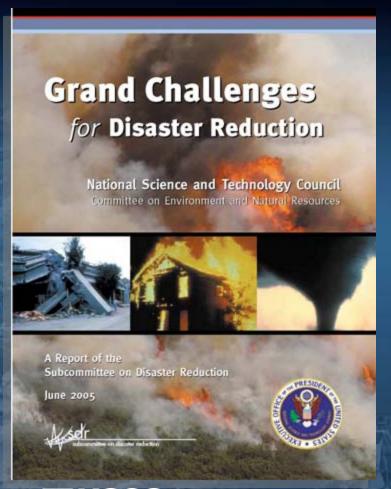




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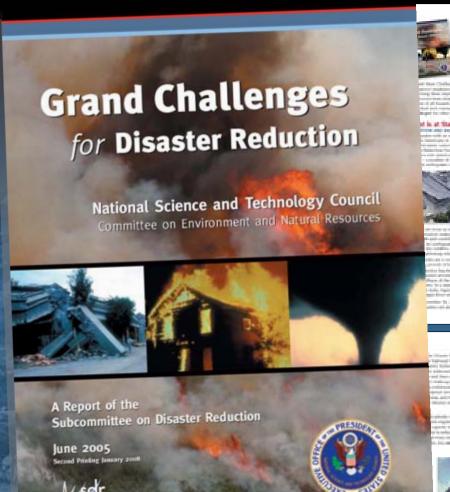
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- Provide hazard and disaster information where and when it is needed.
- 2. Understand the natural processes that produce hazards.
- 3. Develop hazard mitigation strategies and technologies.
- 4. Recognize and reduce vulnerability of interdependent critical infrastructure.
- 5. Assess disaster resilience using standard methods.
- 6. Promote risk-wise behavior.



Implementation plans





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