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Earthquake Country Allience We're all in this together.

# Preparing everyone for the inevitable

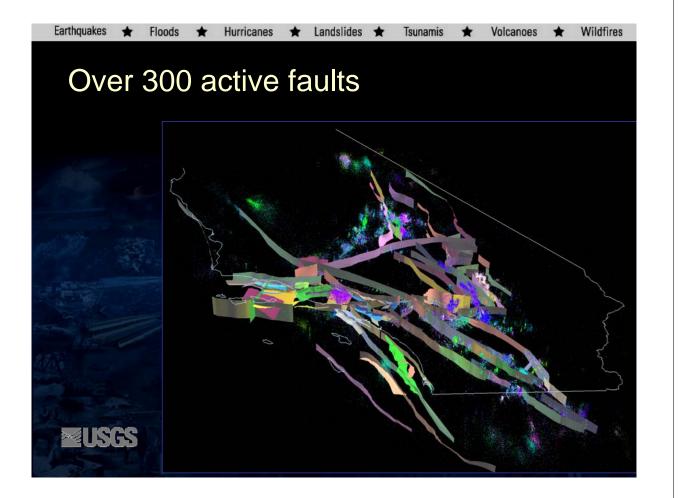


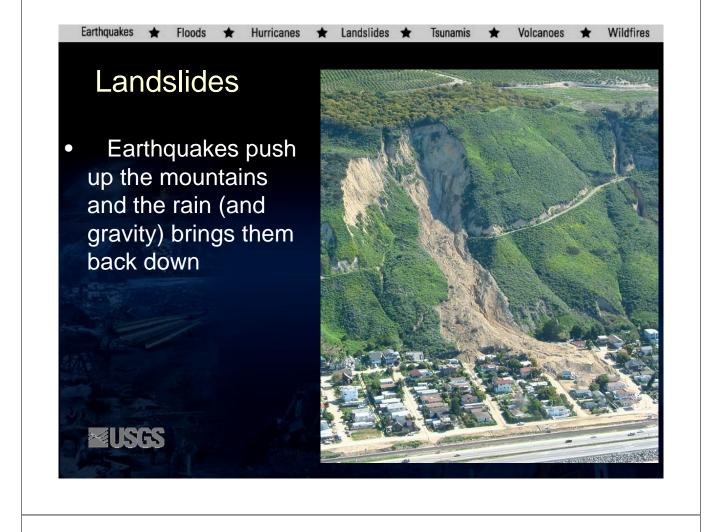
**Multi Hazards Demonstration Project** 

- To demonstrate how hazard science can improve a community's resiliency to natural hazards
- Multi-hazard: earthquakes, tsunamis, landslides, wildfires, floods, coastal erosion
- Used stakeholder workshops to set research priorities









Landslides ★

Tsunamis

Volcanoes

Wildfires

# Wildfires

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Earthquakes

Losses in southern California have increased every decade during the 20<sup>th</sup> century

Floods

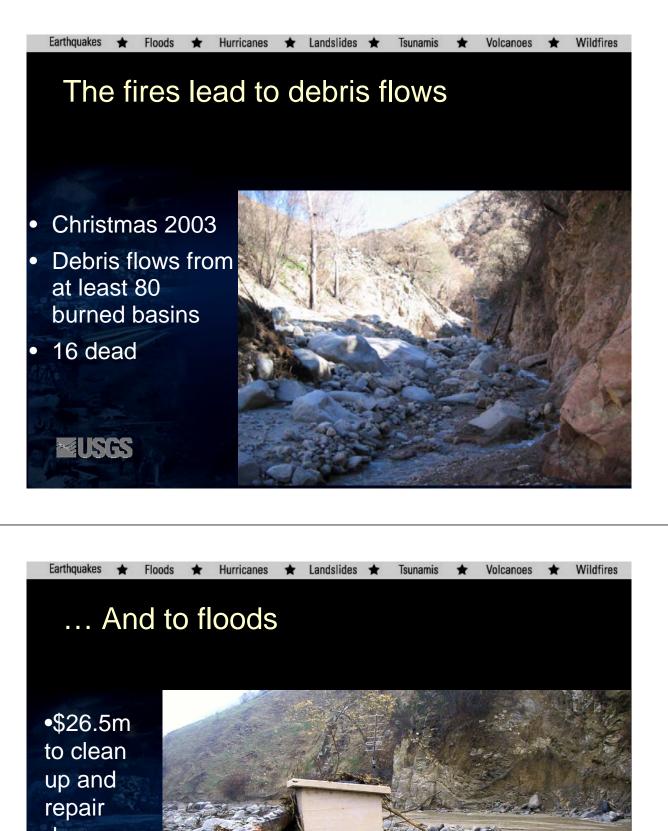
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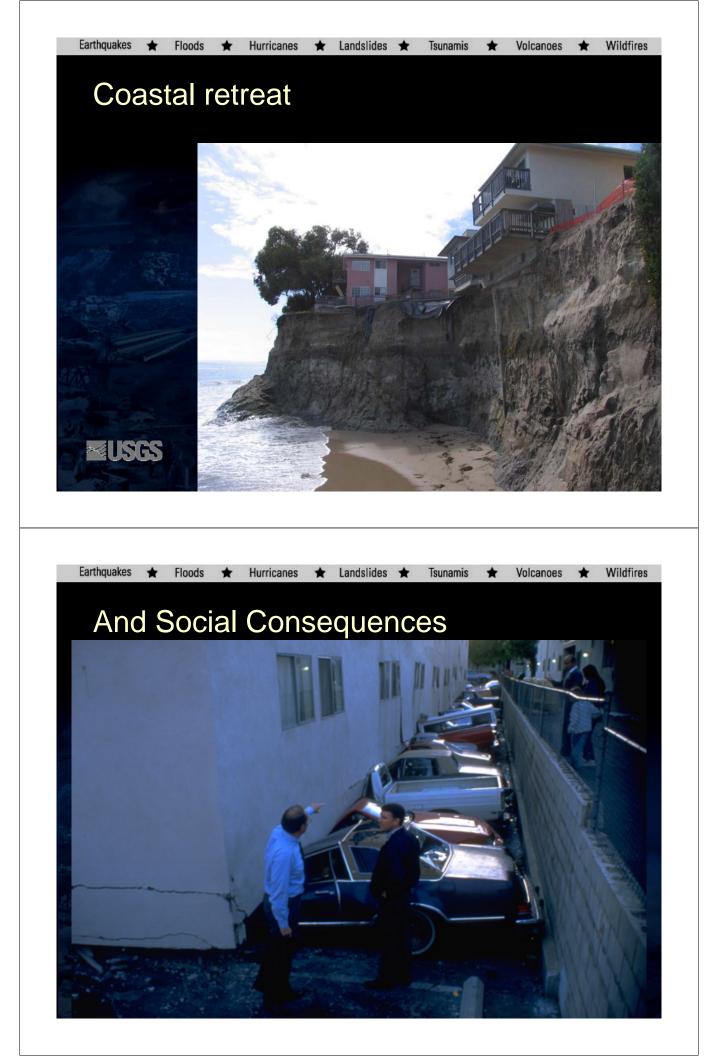
During the past 30 years, 13 of the nation's 15 most destructive wildfires have occurred in California

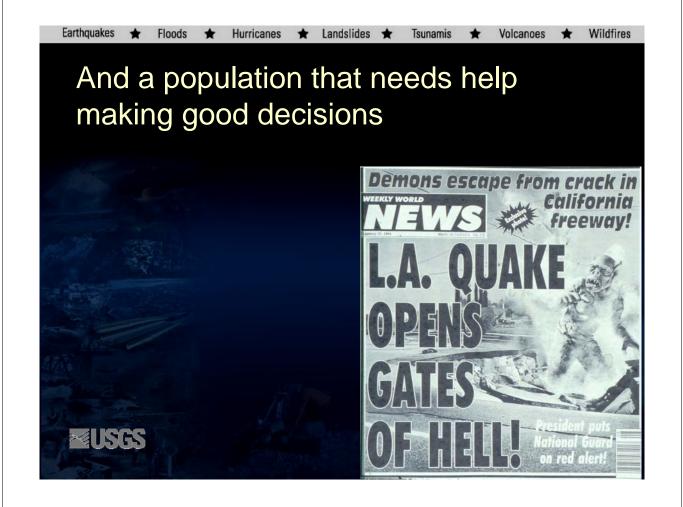




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# ShakeOut Earthquake Scenario

#### Top request of stakeholders

#### A plausible great earthquake

Big enough to be worth studying but not worst case

#### Credible

A team of 300+ experts from 50+ organizations

#### Comprehensive

from earth science through engineering to economics and disaster psychology

#### Accessible to non-specialists







Simulation video available here: http://earthquake.usgs.gov/regional/nca/simulations/shakeout/

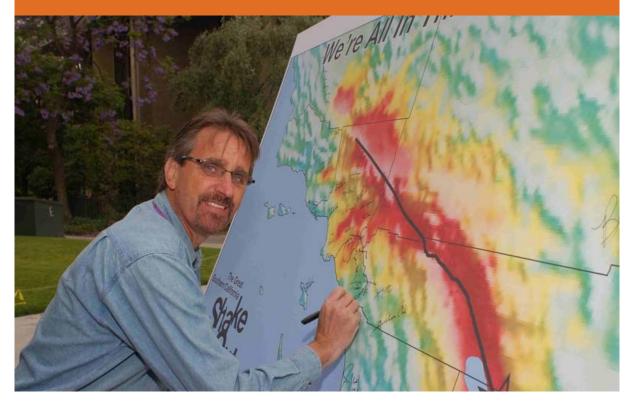


Preparedness Now video on YouTube:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=opXZY1zZ8xk



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#### The Great Southern California ShakeOut

- A week-long series of events to inspire southern Californians to improve their earthquake resiliency
  - ShakeOut Public Drill
  - Golden Guardian emergency responders exercise
  - International Earthquake Conference
  - Get Ready Rally
- Put on by the Earthquake Country Alliance, a coalition of earthquake professionals

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# **ShakeOut Steering Committee**



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US Geological Survey, Southern California Earthquake Center, City of Los Angeles, Office of Emergency Services, Seismic Safety Commission, Art Center, Caltech, and others in the ECA with key activities/roles during ShakeOut.

Group met biweekly beginning Dec. 2007

 Members contributed significant time developing materials, giving presentations, managing web content, confirming registrations, securing sponsorships, and more.



# ShakeOut Goals

- Participation of at least 5 million people in the ShakeOut Drill
- School, Business, and Community Organization recruitment effortswill have several million people participate
- Everyone is encouraged to "spread the word" to promote peopleparticipating in the ShakeOut!
- Shift the culture in southern California about earthquakes
- We must all take greater responsibility for readiness
- We all need to talk about earthquakes and preparedness more often
- Significant increase in earthquake readiness at all levels



# How did it work?



# **Listen to the Social Scientists**

- Approach: Consistent messages
- Unified source through Earthquake Country Alliance
  - Science (USGS, SCEC)
  - Government (county, State and City)
  - Fire Departments
  - Corporate (Chamber of Commerce, major employers)
- Common Goal:
- Multiple Media





Shake Out. Don't Freak Out. November 13, 2008 Register Now at www.shskeout.org



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Earthquake Drill in U.S. History.

# www.ShakeOut.org

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CONTACT US Major Sponsors EUSGS	Resources for participants and news media The What You Can De section includes simple suggestone as well as detailed drill scripts for certain groups NEWI Acids and Video "Drill Roadcart" recordings have been created in English and Spanish to provide instructions during your dill Video versions have hat captions). Well "Engandmens have", compelling new lim that depicts what will happen in a "tig one", and other videos. Well Technical Drill Resources including a simulated CISN Display, ShawMapa, and more. NEWI have Media Resources including contacts, visuals, media advisories and releases, and more.	Viriat You Can Do: Instructions for Individualia and Emrilian Mailtannood Cinnus. CERE Cinnus. Bahada Baoatim Cranso, Calena and Universities. Baintesses Non-Profi Durantzoitoos. Junit Based Cinoups. Maridaal Centers. Local Exerciments and Maname Energiantis and Maname And Maname		rants Participants* 2706463 26877 694 1951701 69 269908 1259 168001
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# Make it real: make it visual

Make this a media event
– "The Biggest Drill Ever"







#### Stories around the world Google earthquake drill Search Advanced archive search Archive search help Web « View all web results for earthquake drill 2000-09 Search other dates 1900 1910 1920 1930 1940 1950 1960 1970 1980 1990 2000 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 05/2006 May 4, 2006 - May 4--DANVILLE -- Like a well-oiled machine, children, parents and faculty at St. Isidore's ol in Danville ran through the school's first-ever earthquake evacuation drill Wednesday with nary a The kindergarten-through-eighth-grade school of some 650 students has been ... 写真:面障 St. Isidore's students practice earthquake drill:... - Related web pages accessmylibrary.com/premium/0286/0286-15123679.html 米カリフォルニアで大地震を想定した避難訓練

# Talk About Earthquakes at Home

"Mommy, we had an earthquake drill today"



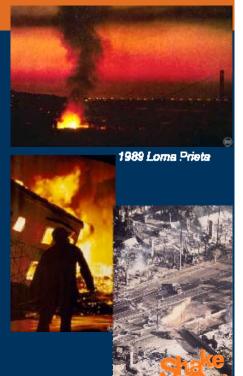
# **5.47 Million Participants in 2008**

- Schools: 3.95 million (1589 registrants)
- Colleges: 564,000 (121 registrants)
- Businesses: 342,000 (2531 registrants)
- Government: 289,600 (593 registrants)
- Faith and Community organizations: 142,000 (1161 reg.)
- Medical: 107,000 (280 registrants)
- Individuals/Families: 57,600 (19,200 registrants)



### **Focus on Concrete Actions**

- Perceived risk does not affect behavior
- Information on what actions to take does affect behavior
- Focused on
  - Drop, cover, hold
  - Store water
  - Secure your space
  - Fire fighting



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#### **ShakeOut Outcome: Home Depot** anr WATER HEATER STRAP 700 -PUTTY/WAX 600 FURNITURE STRAPS 500 TV STRAPS EMERGENCY BACKPACK 30 A-MAZE-ING PIC. HOOKS 20 GAS/WATER SHUT-OFF WRENCH CRANK RADIO Oct. 27 Oct. 20 Nov. 10 Nov. 17

# **ShakeOut Success**

- Get the best in every field
- Let the best be the best at what they do





# Water issues in the ShakeOut

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# **Started with the Science**

- Having a comprehensive scenario completed by the USGS scientists, made the scenario plausible
- USGS Shaking Intensity Maps, outlining each water agencies boundaries allowed agencies to estimate the severity and damage to the water and wastewater infrastructure

# **The Scenario and Planning**

- Water agencies introduced to the ShakeOut Earthquake Scenario
- Water/Wastewater agencies understood the magnitude and severity of the damage to their infrastructure
- Water/wastewater agencies started meeting on the issues; with the understanding that they check their lawsuit at the door

# Water Issues Identified in the ShakeOut

- Each water agency will face thousands of water and wastewater pipeline failures
- Generators, roadway failures
- Lack of water/wastewater treatment chemicals when railways disrupted
- Communications with County Operational Areas, California Department of Public Health, Drinking Water

# Water Issues Identified (con't.)

- Water storage issues (damaged reservoirs)
- Lack of Laboratories to test water samples
- Prioritization of water/wastewater repair parts coming into affected area
- Cross-contamination of water and wastewater systems

# Sewer Issues Identified in the ShakeOut

- Sewer pipeline failures, lift station failures, flooding streets and buildings
- Sewage treatment plants fail and overflow
- Sewage runs to rivers and streams causing contamination of water-ways and water supplies down stream



# How do we deal with this?

- We need mutual aid
- We formed Emergency Response Network of the Inland Empire (ERNIE) for San Bernardino & Riverside Counties
- 11 ERNIE members before the ShakeOut
- 26 members today

# Water in the ShakeOut

- 75 water agencies participated in ShakeOut exercise
- First ever multi-agency functional exercise
- Exercised
  - Communications
  - Staff response
  - Mutual aid
  - Interstate mutual aid



# Recommendations

- Elevate Water Services to its own emergency support function within the FEMA
- Obtain better communications between Fire agencies and water agencies
- Water agencies may have non-potable water that could be used for firefighting, saving the potable water for the public



- California Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network (CalWARN)
- National Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network; sponsored by the American Water Works Association and U.S. EPA





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# **Mitigation**

Water/Wastewater issues identified during the ShakeOut can only be mitigated by all agencies working together for the good of all agencies and the public



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#### The response continues

"This is the best single effort in emergency preparedness in my nearly 20 years in the business. The Golden Guardian / Great ShakeOut project did more to prepare our cities than all previous efforts combined for many years past. I have never had so much participation and interest in disaster preparedness. And it continues!"

- Mike Martinet, Los Angeles County Emergency Manager



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# What's Next?

The Great California Shake Shake

October 15, 2009



