

2: *ShakeAlert*

Distributing Alerts

Earthquake Early Warning



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CISN ShakeAlert



Users today...

Transportation



Personal Safety



Process Safety



Receiving alerts:

- ~50 scientists
- Google.org
- BART
- Amgen
- Metrolink
- So Cal Edison
- CalEMA
- City of Los Angeles
- UC Berkeley OEP
- Caltech Security
- *more in the works*



Applications

Using seconds to tens of seconds warning for...

1. Personal safety

– moving to safety



2. Automated control

– slowing/stopping/isolating sensitive systems



3. Situation awareness

– initiating response before shaking



Two Major User Categories

Public

- Drop, cover, hold on
- Distributed via TV, radio, Internet, cell
- Requires education



Institutions (automated)

- Rail transit
- Factories
- Refineries
- Port facilities
- Hospitals
- Pipelines



Getting the message to users

Many users, little time requires mass notification

- Too slow or unreliable:
 - E-mail
 - Instant messaging
 - RSS
 - SMS (text messages)
 - IP clients
 - Reverse 911



Japan: Communicating the Warning

PUBLIC ALERTS

TV and radio

- 124 of 127 TV stations (98%)
- 41 AM, 35 FM radio (75%)

J-Alert messages (satellite)

- 226 municipalities
- 102 public address systems

Cell phones

- 3 companies (Docomo, AU, Softbank)
- 52 million can receive them (47%)

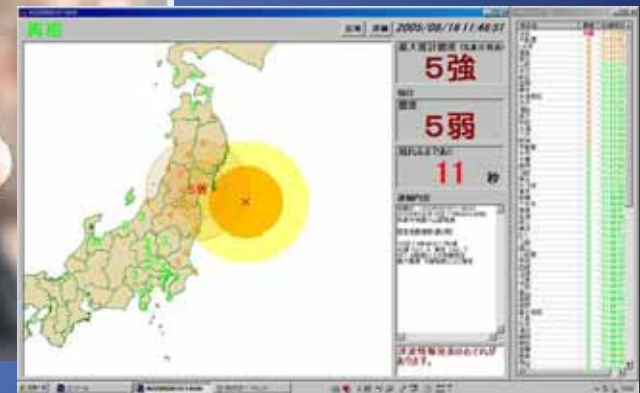
COMMERCIAL USERS

- power plants
- factories
- construction sites
- hospitals



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estimated shaking in
your area



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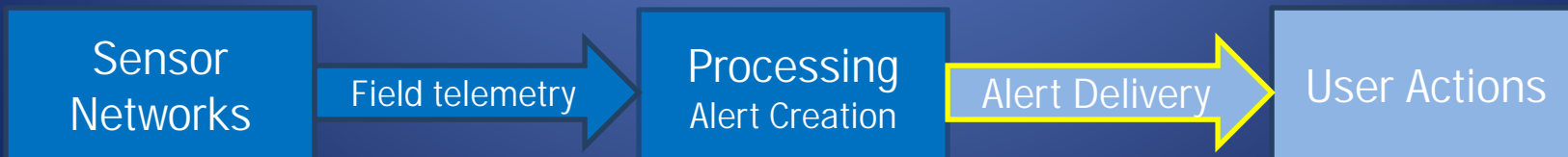
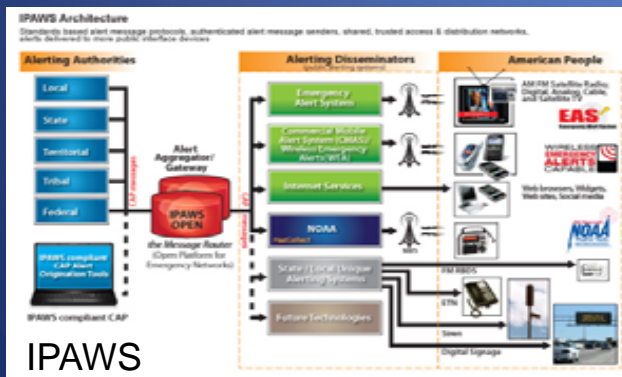
ShakeAlert Delivery

ShakeAlert will:

- Create and send:
 - Alerts
 - Parameter data streams
- Via data stream services (servers, cloud, social media)
- FEMA-IPAWS (TV, radio, WEA) "alert authority"

Partners will:

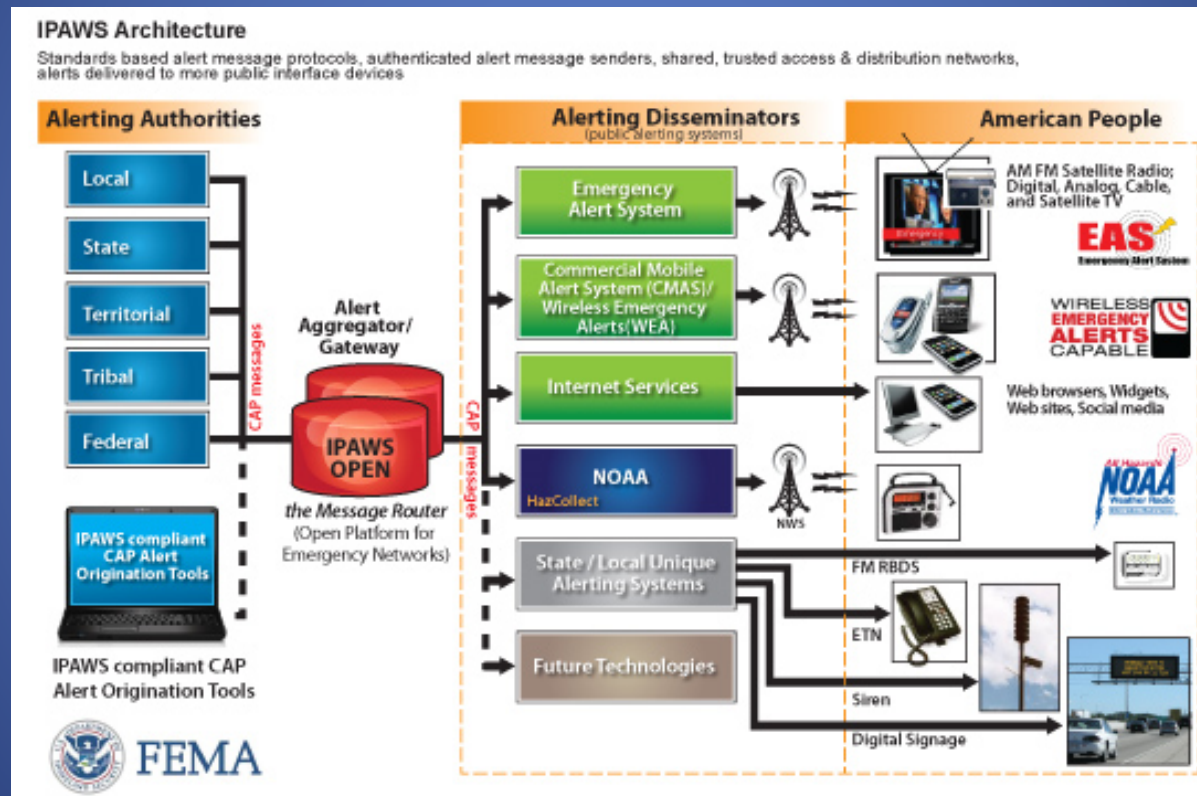
- Alert redistribution
- Mass notification integration
- Direct radio, VSAT, etc.
- App development
- Social media applications



Reliable mass notification

USGS “alert authority” for FEMA / IPAWS

(Integrated Public Alert Warning System)



Sensors

Field telemetry

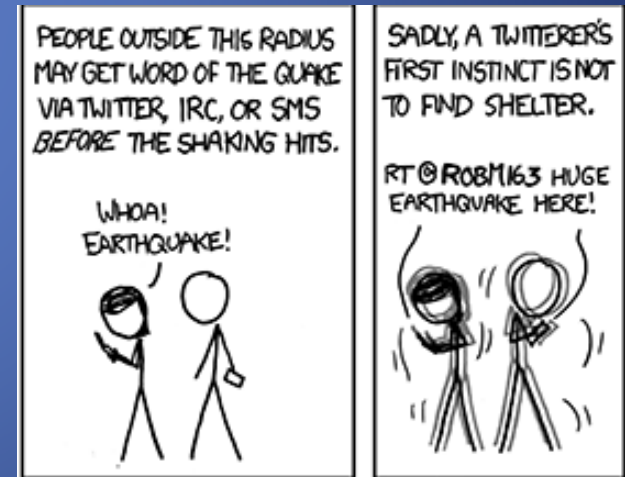
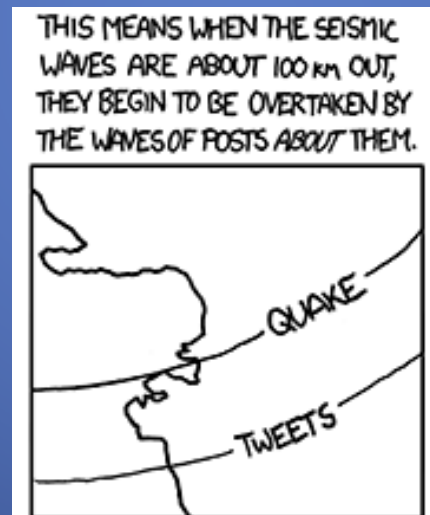
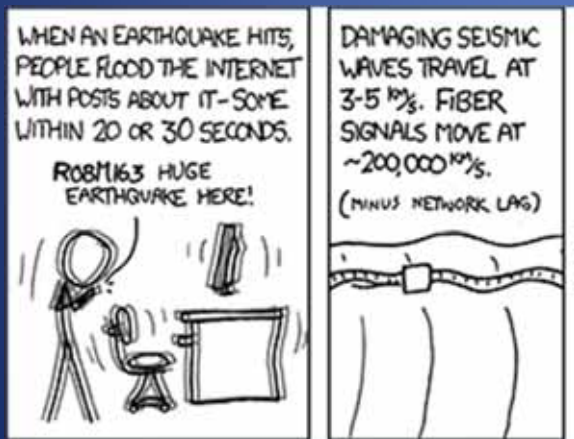
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Social media: mass notification

- V 0.1 smartphone app (Google Cloud)
- Several companies interested in developing apps
- Twitter, Google, ??
- Vulnerable to infrastructure damage



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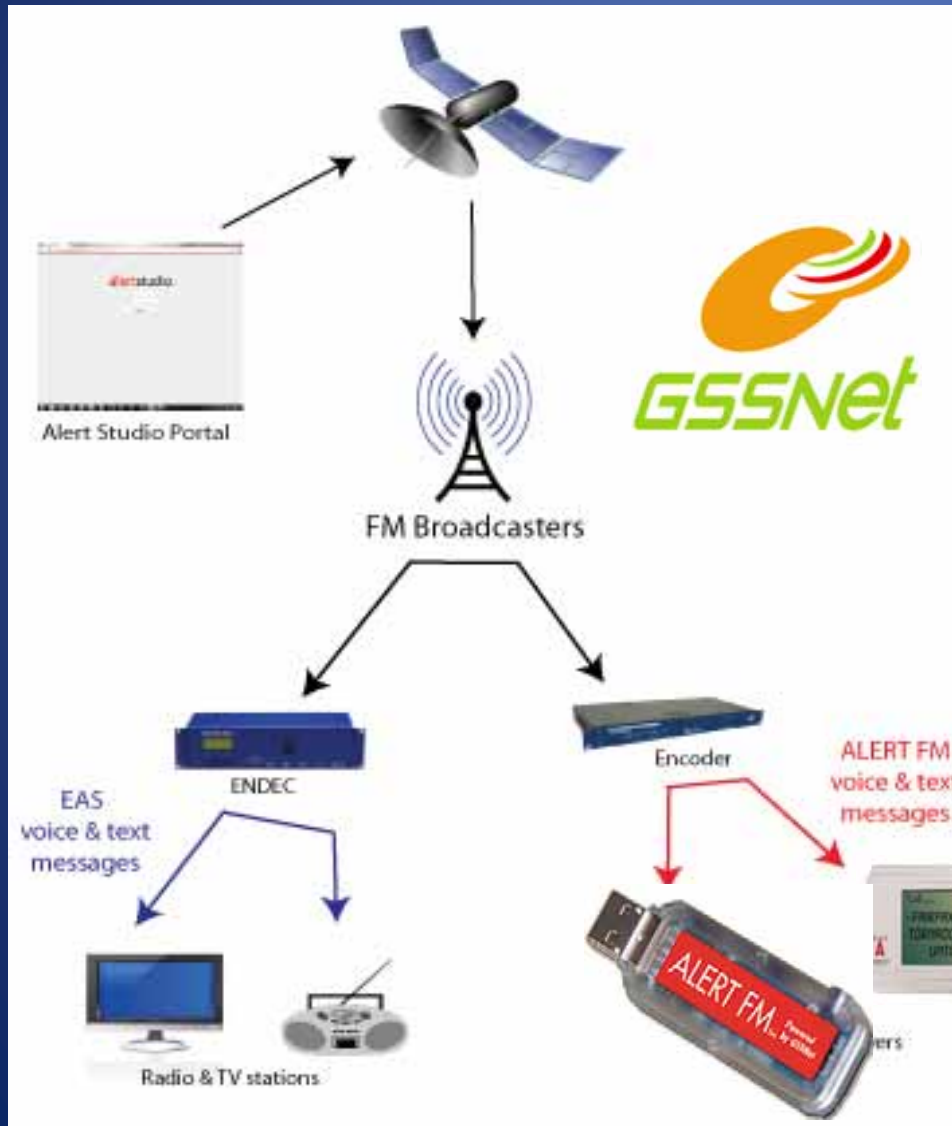
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GSSNet Satellite to FM Radio Alert Delivery Network



SkyAlert – Private Company, Mx

- Redistribute SASMEX alerts
- Desk top device
- Free phone app
- 221k Twitter followers
- USB/keychain receives satellite alerts



<http://skyalert.com.mx/>

Automated Response

- Simple alerts
 - EEW system decides thresholds
 - Public alert
- Sophisticated data stream
 - Info evolves, end user makes decisions based on...
 - How long until strong shaking?
 - How strong will shaking be?
 - How certainty is the information (likelihood)?
 - Knowledge of their infrastructure & processes
 - Actions have costs (cost/benefit)
 - Low cost responses – Open fire house doors, stop elevators, slow or stop trains, etc.
 - High cost responses – Stop production lines, shut off power, scram reactor



ePAD: earthquake Probability-based Automated Decision-making

- Pre-analyze structural model and loss model for specific EEW application (PBEE method)
- Ability to include value of future information into decision-making (value-of-information)
- Visualize decision as a function of uncertainties (decision map/decision contour)

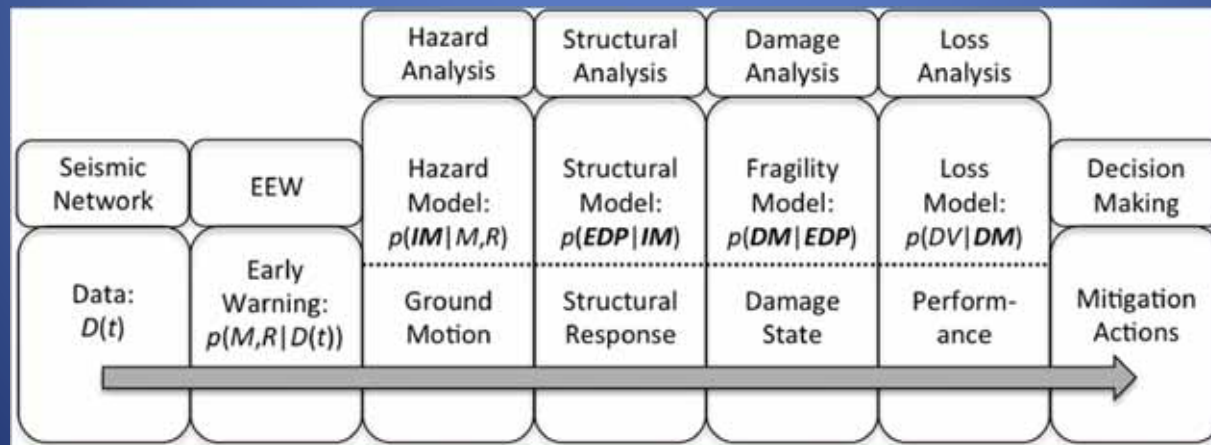
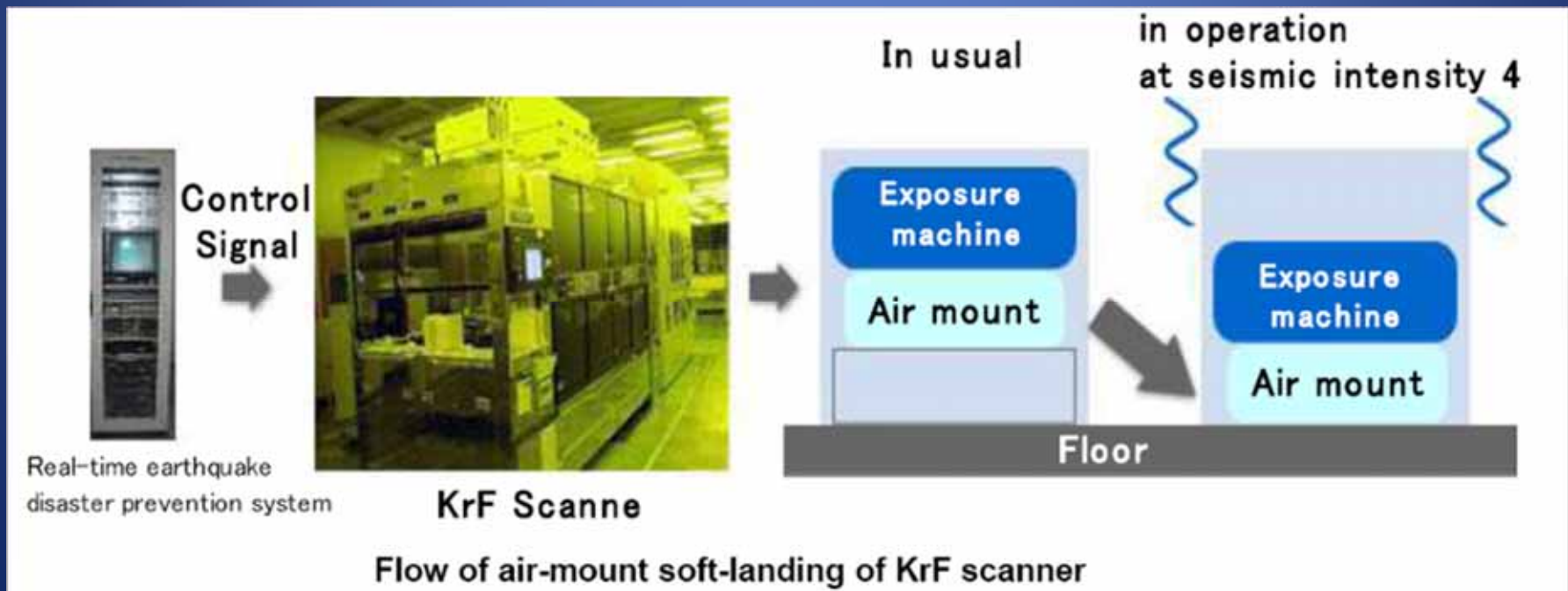


Fig.1: Performance-Based Earthquake Engineering (PBEE) method

EEW Example from Japan

- Miyagi Oki Electric Semiconductor Plant
 - “soft landing” of chip laser etching machines
 - Combines JMA EEW system + on-site sensors
 - Saved ~\$15M in loss & down-time in two quakes



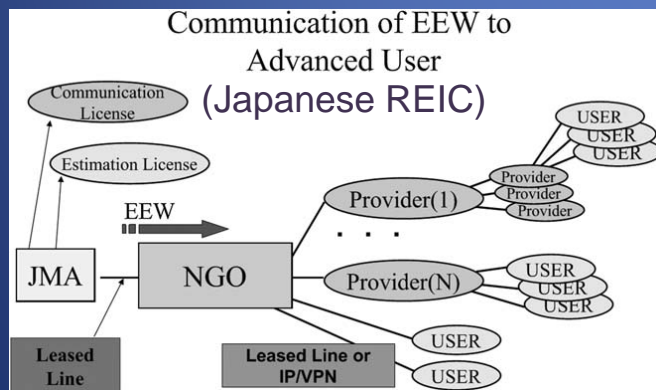
Education = User Actions

ShakeAlert will:

- Coordinate outreach
- Social science on:
 - Effective messaging
 - Alert content, sounds
 - Best actions
- Create a non-profit?
(Japan REIC)

Partners will:

- Make, install & service receivers, actuators, etc.
- Consult on business plans for use of EEW
- Integrate with current hazard messaging



Sensor Networks

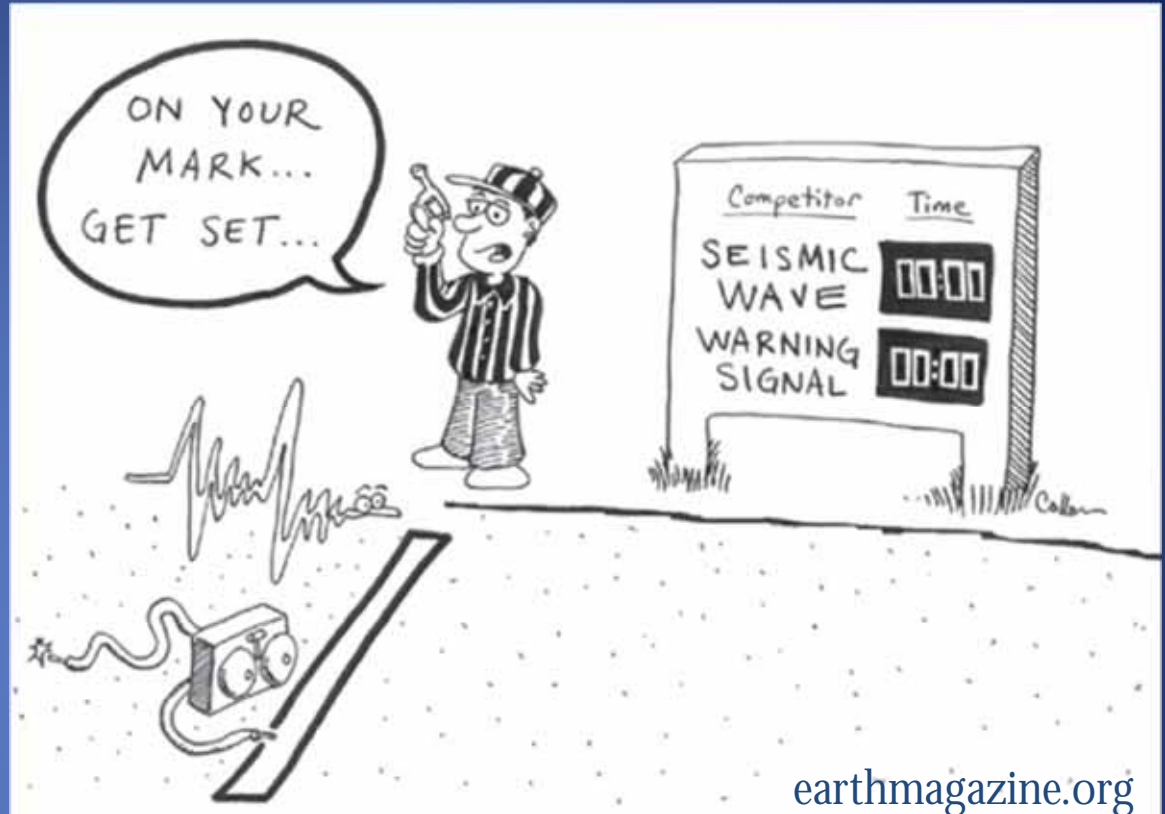
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Questions?



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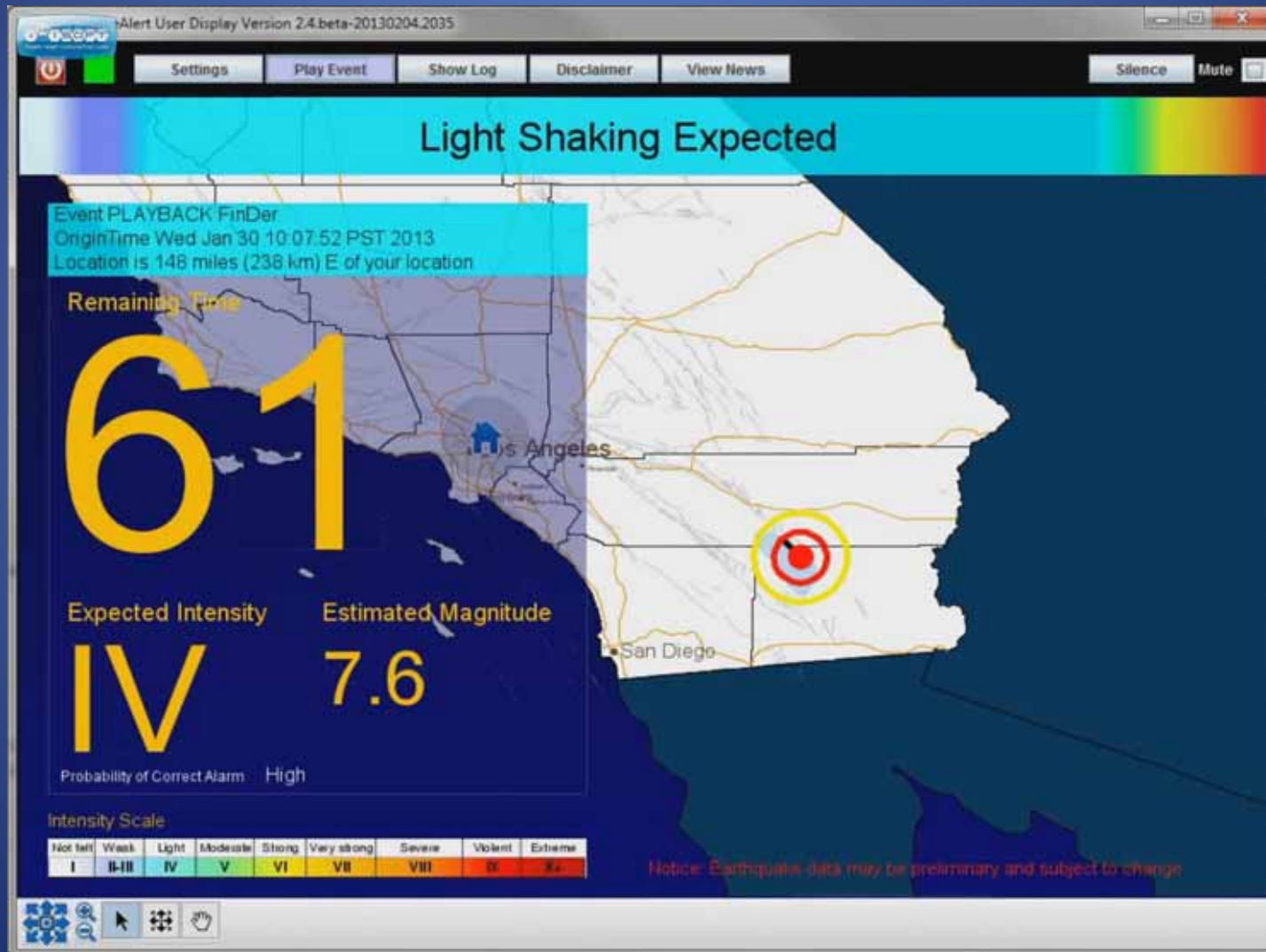
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California's Partner to the **ANSS** Advanced National Seismic System

CGS USGS OES Caltech UC Berkeley



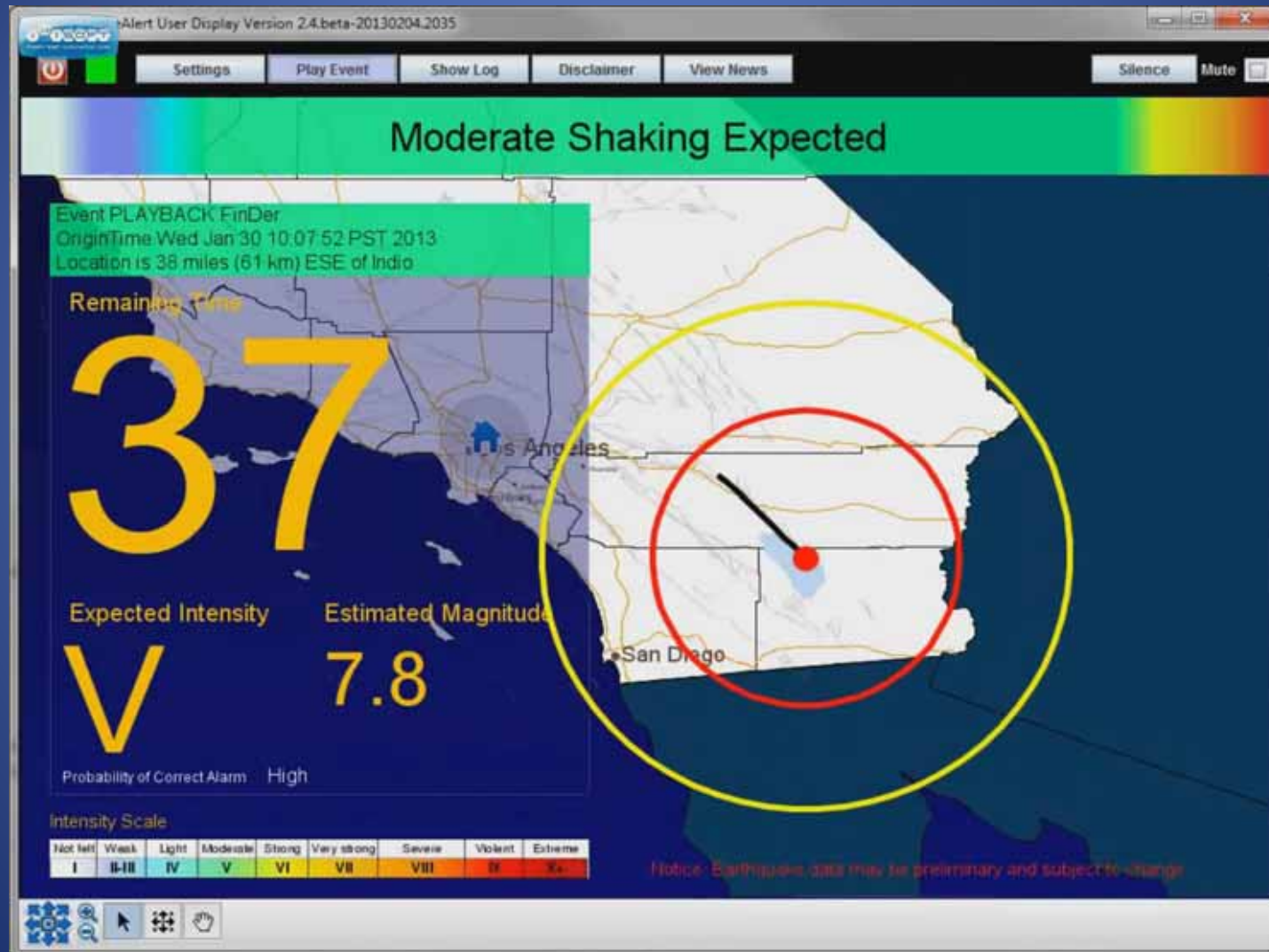
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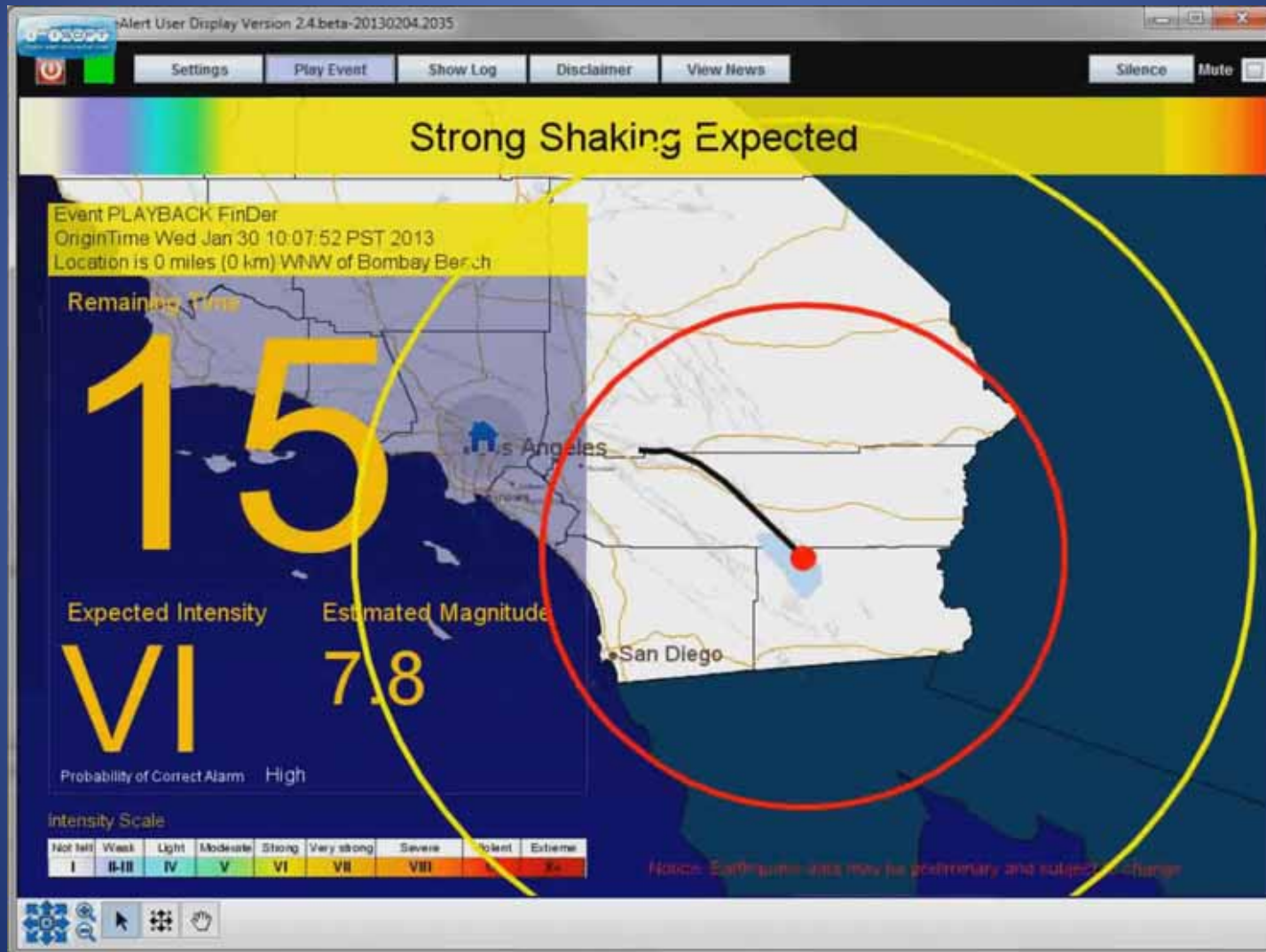
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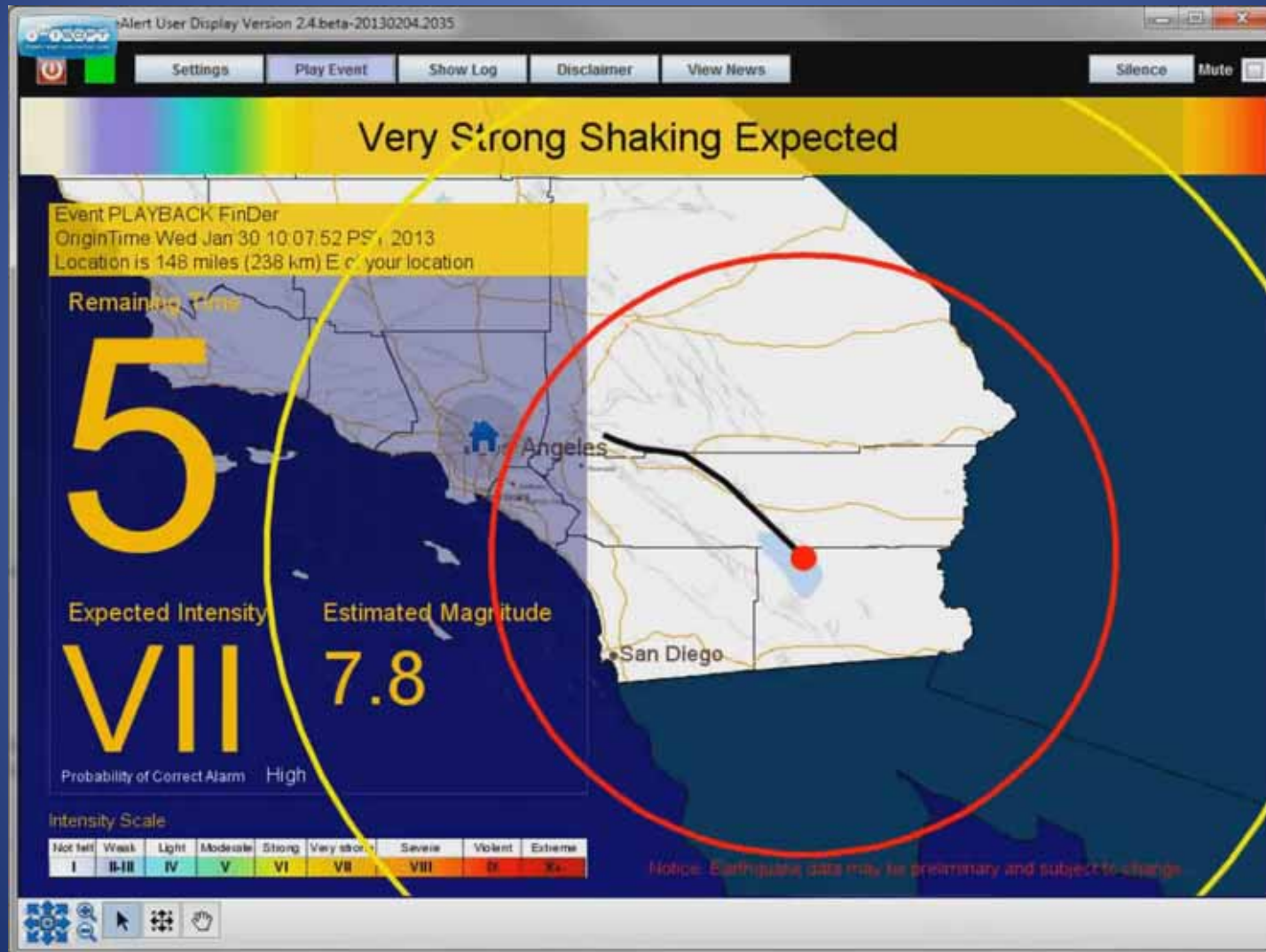
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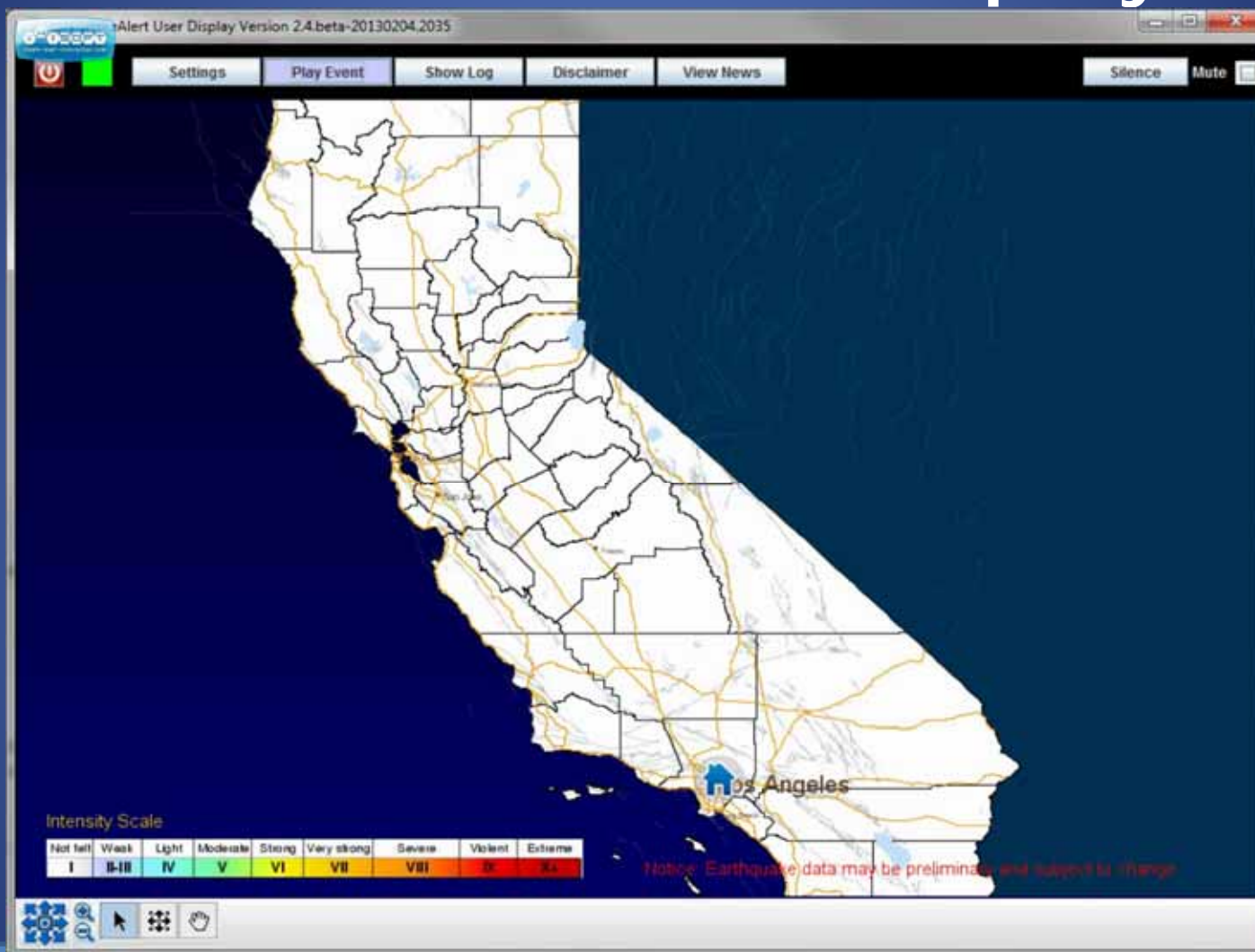


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