



Media Advisory

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Earthquake map available to media

On Thursday, a workshop will instruct media on ShakeMap use in reporting

WHAT: The 7.8 earthquake in Mexico stands as a reminder that large damaging earthquakes can and do occur in the world's seismic zones. To enhance earthquake news reporting in California, the California Integrated Seismic Network (CISN) is offering the news media a 2 ½ - hour workshop on earthquake monitoring technology and use of ShakeMap technology (See attached agenda).

WHO: The Governor's Office of Emergency Services in partnership with the U.S. Geological Survey, the California Geological Survey, the University of California at Berkeley and the California Institute of Technology.

Speakers include:

- Richard Eisner, CISN Program Administrator, OES
- William Ellsworth, PhD, Chief Scientist, Earthquake Hazards Team, USGS
- Lind Gee, PhD, Seismologist, U.C. Berkeley
- David Wald, PhD, USGS of Golden, CO
- James Goltz, Earthquake Program Outreach Manager, OES

WHEN: Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

WHERE: U.S. Geological Survey, 345 Middlefield Road, Building 3, Menlo Park
(Directions and map to be provided upon enrollment)

VISUALS: To view a ShakeMap, please visit <http://www.cisn.org/eqinfo.html>, click on a ShakeMap

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