

# MAPPING OF LIQUEFACTION HAZARD FOR SALT LAKE AND WEBER COUNTIES, UTAH

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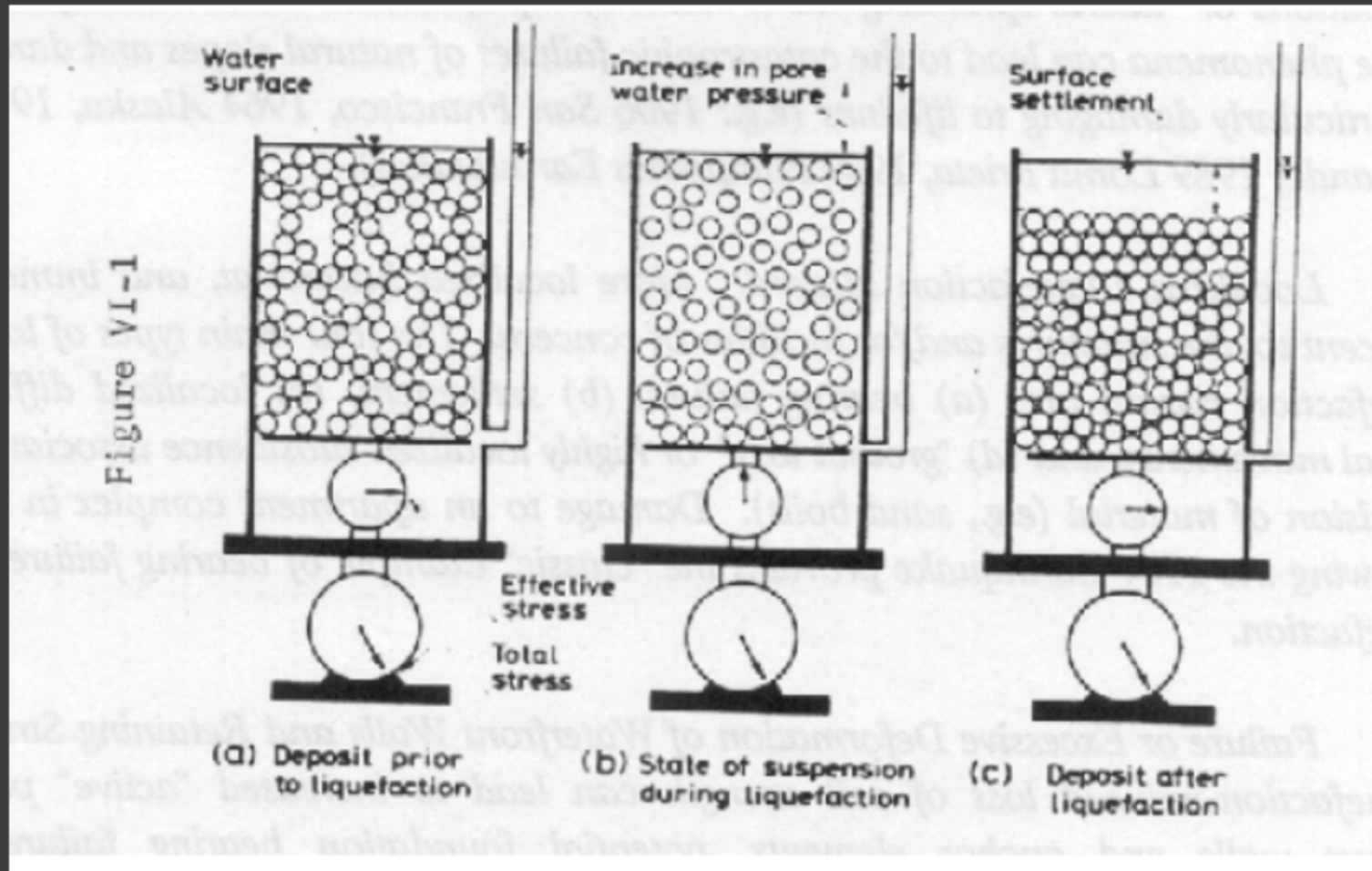
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# Topics

- ① **Types of Liquefaction Damage**
- ① Types of Liquefaction Maps
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# Types of Liquefaction Damage

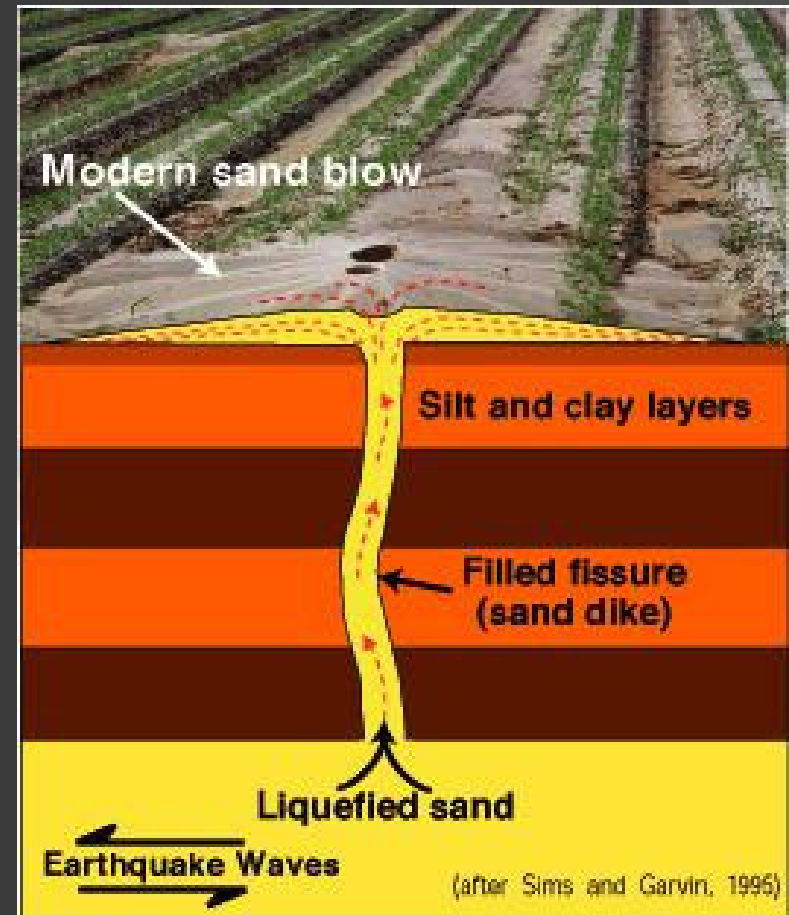


What is liquefaction?

# Types of Liquefaction Damage



Sand Blow or Sand Volcano



# Types of Liquefaction Damage



Ground Oscillation



Marina District, San Francisco, 1989 Loma Prieta Earthquake

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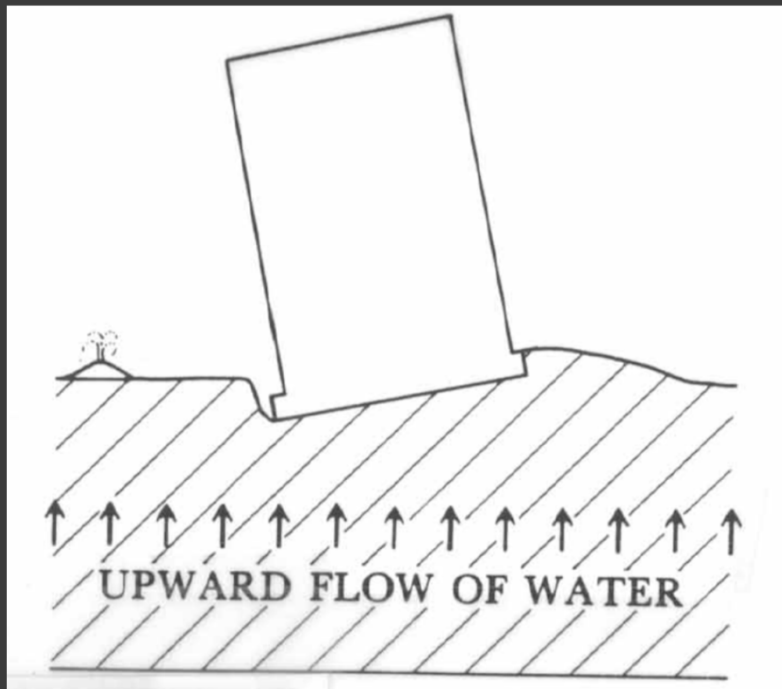
Port of Kobe, 1995  
Kobe, Japan  
Earthquake

Ground Settlement



2010 Christchurch Earthquake

# Types of Liquefaction Damage



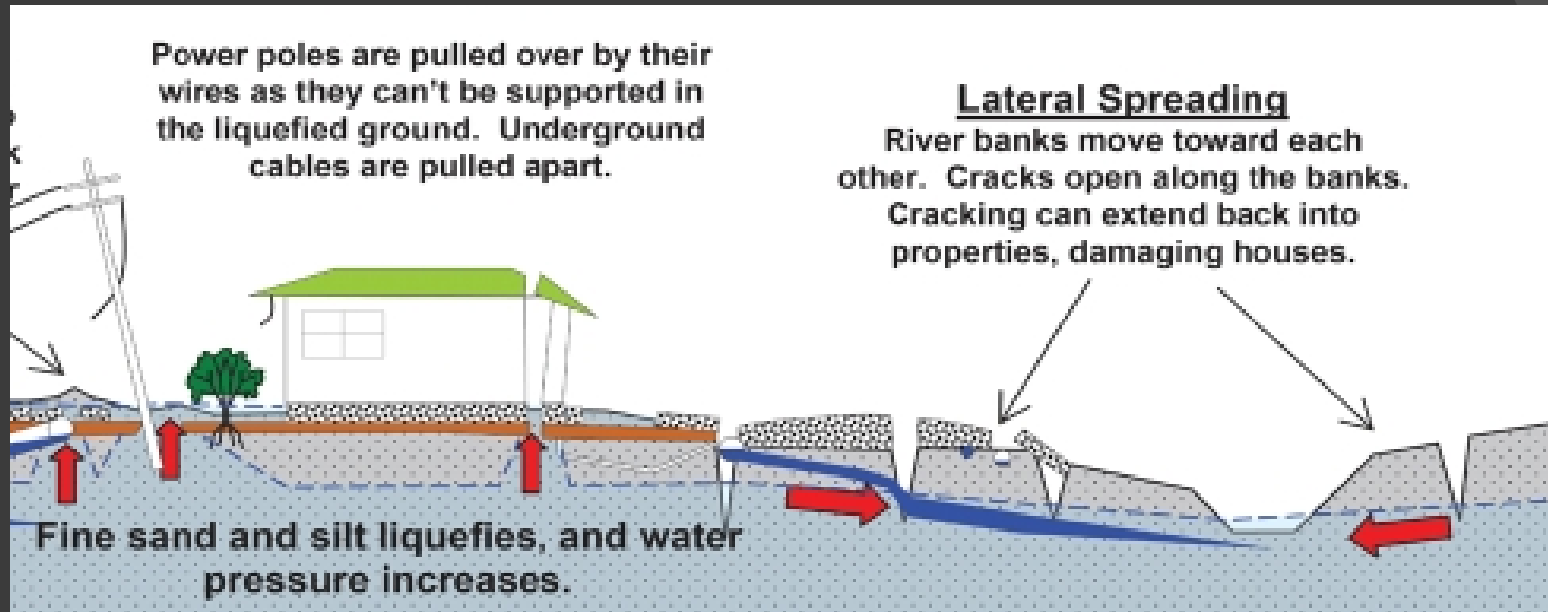
Bearing Capacity Failure



1964 Niigata, Japan Earthquake



# Types of Liquefaction Damage



Lateral Spread



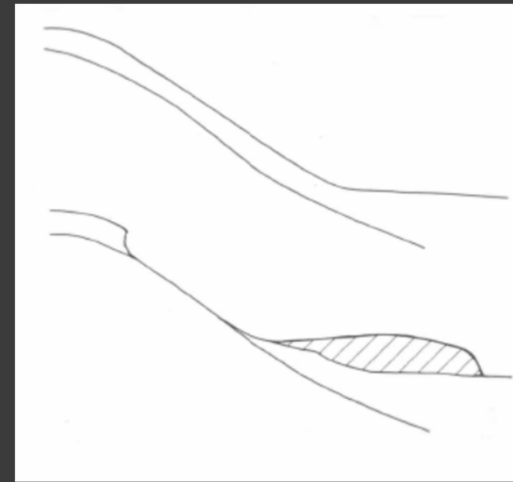
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Valdez, 1964 Alaska  
Earthquake

Flow Failure



Seward,  
1964 Alaska  
Earthquake

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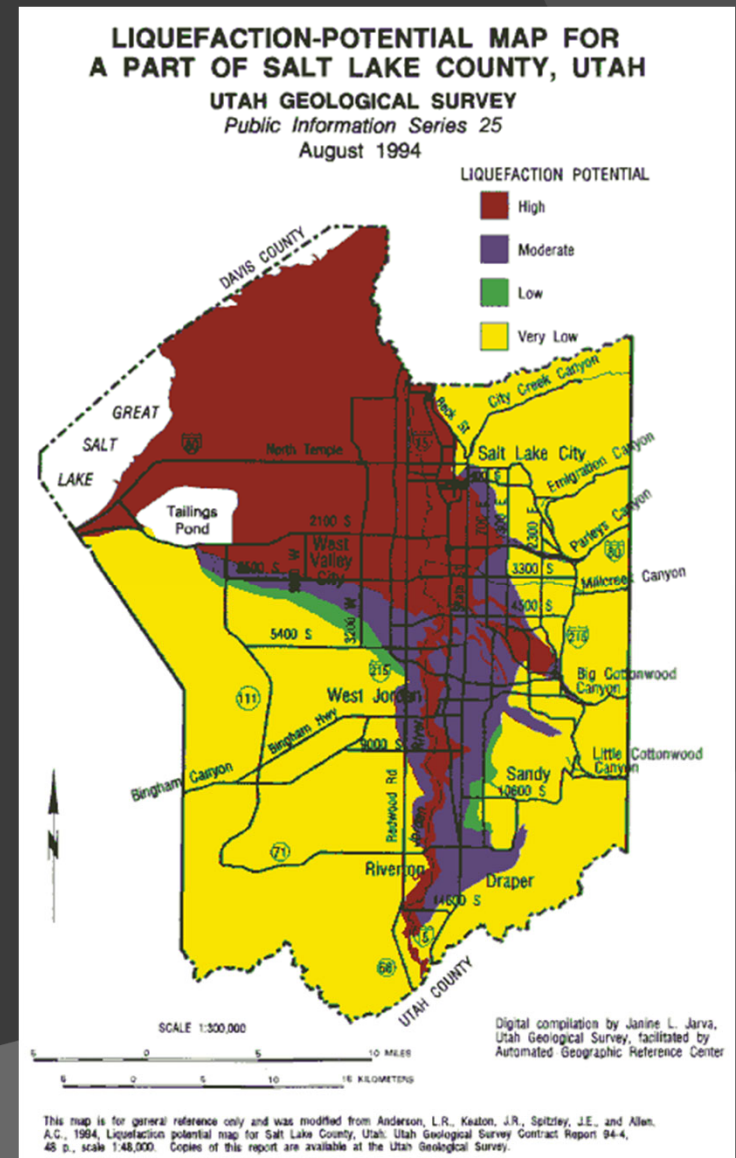
- ⦿ Liquefaction Susceptibility Maps
- ⦿ Liquefaction Potential Maps
  - Scenario Maps
  - Probabilistic-Based Maps
- ⦿ Ground Failure Maps
  - Lateral Spread
  - Ground Settlement



# Types of Liquefaction Maps

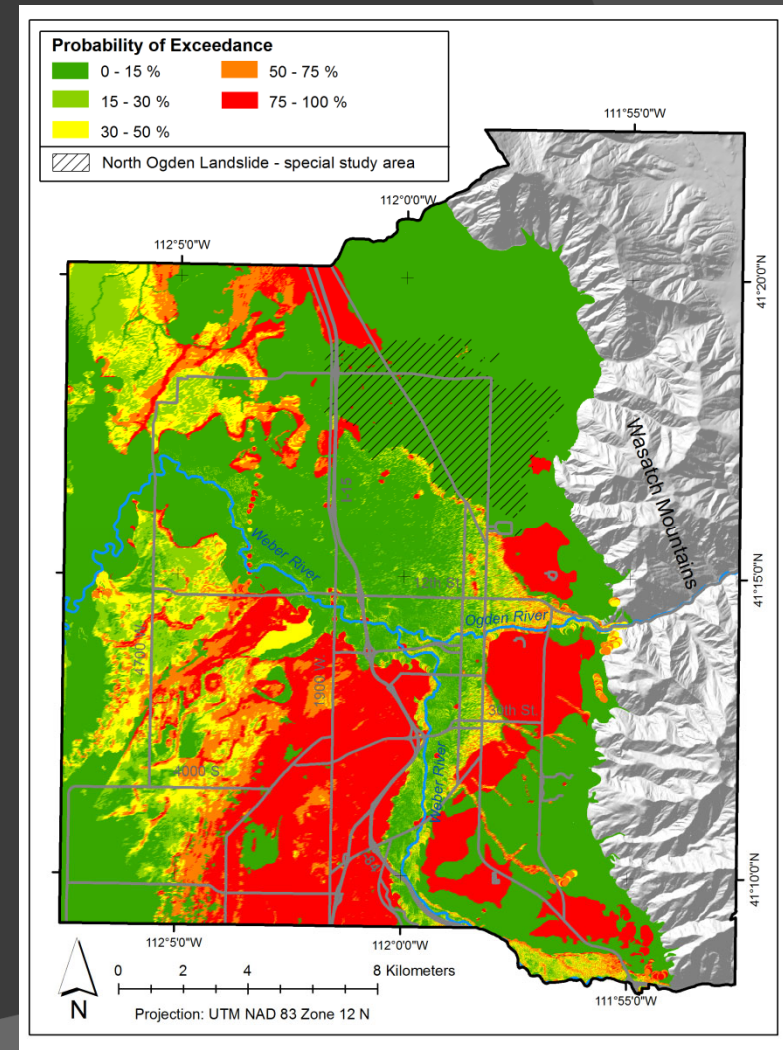
- Liquefaction Potential Maps
  - Combine liquefaction susceptibility (capacity) with seismic input (demand).
  - Demand can be expressed as a deterministic scenario event or a probabilistic-based estimate obtained from the national seismic hazard maps

Liquefaction potential for approximate 0.2g pga  
(Anderson and Keaton)



# Types of Liquefaction Maps

- Ground Failure Maps
  - Consider liquefaction potential
  - Consider consequences of liquefaction (i.e., displacement)
  
- Median probabilities of lateral spread displacement exceeding lateral spread 0.3 m, 2,500-year return period seismic event



# Types of Liquefaction Maps (ULAG Maps funded by NEHRP)

- ⦿ Liquefaction Potential and Ground Displacement Maps
- ⦿ Seismic Strong Motion (SM) Inputs for Liquefaction Potential Maps
  - M7.0 Earthquake
  - SM with 10% probability of exceedance in 50 years
  - SM with 2% probability of exceedance in 50 years
  - Fully aggregated PSHA input
- Lateral Spread maps (using above scenarios)
- Ground settlement maps (using above scenarios)



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# Estimation of Liquefaction Potential

$$P(L) = \sum P [ L | A, M ] P [ A, M ]$$

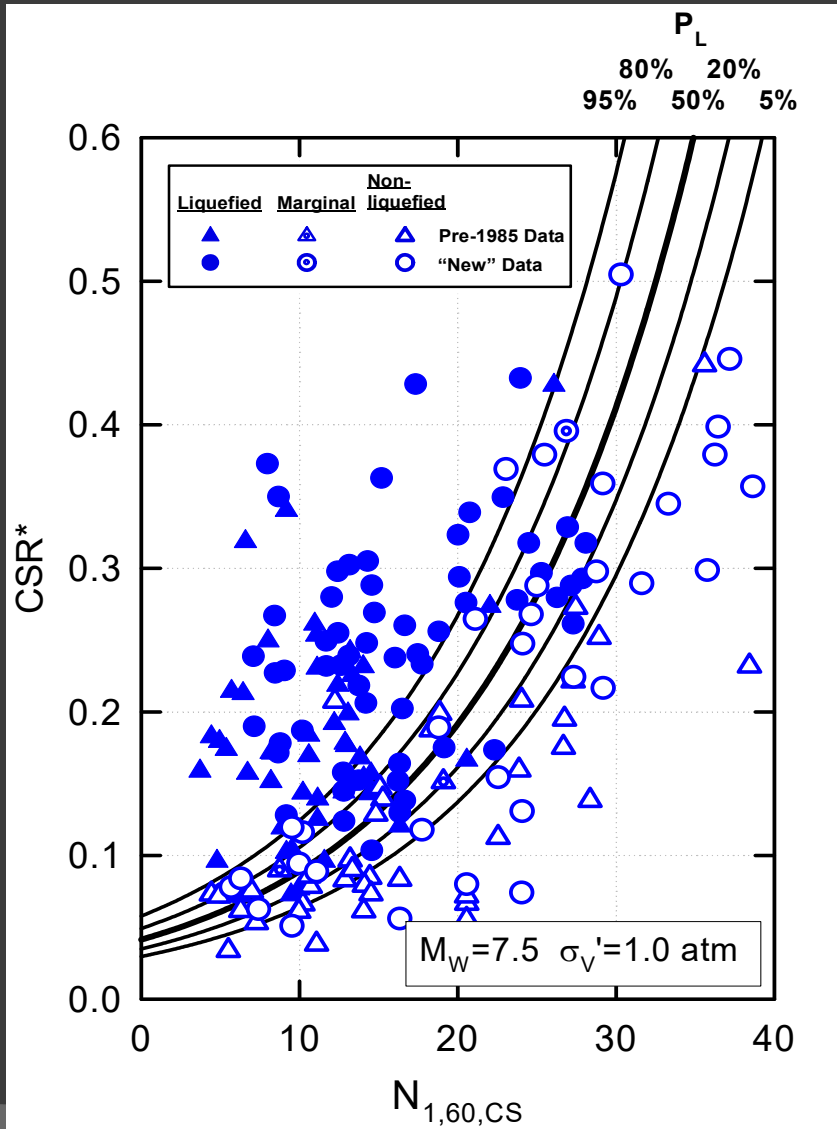
where:

$P(L)$  = annual probability of liquefaction

$P [ L | A, M ]$  = conditional probability of liquefaction given the peak ground acceleration and the earthquake magnitude,

$P [ A, M ]$  = joint probability density function of peak ground acceleration and earthquake magnitude.

# Estimation of Liquefaction Potential



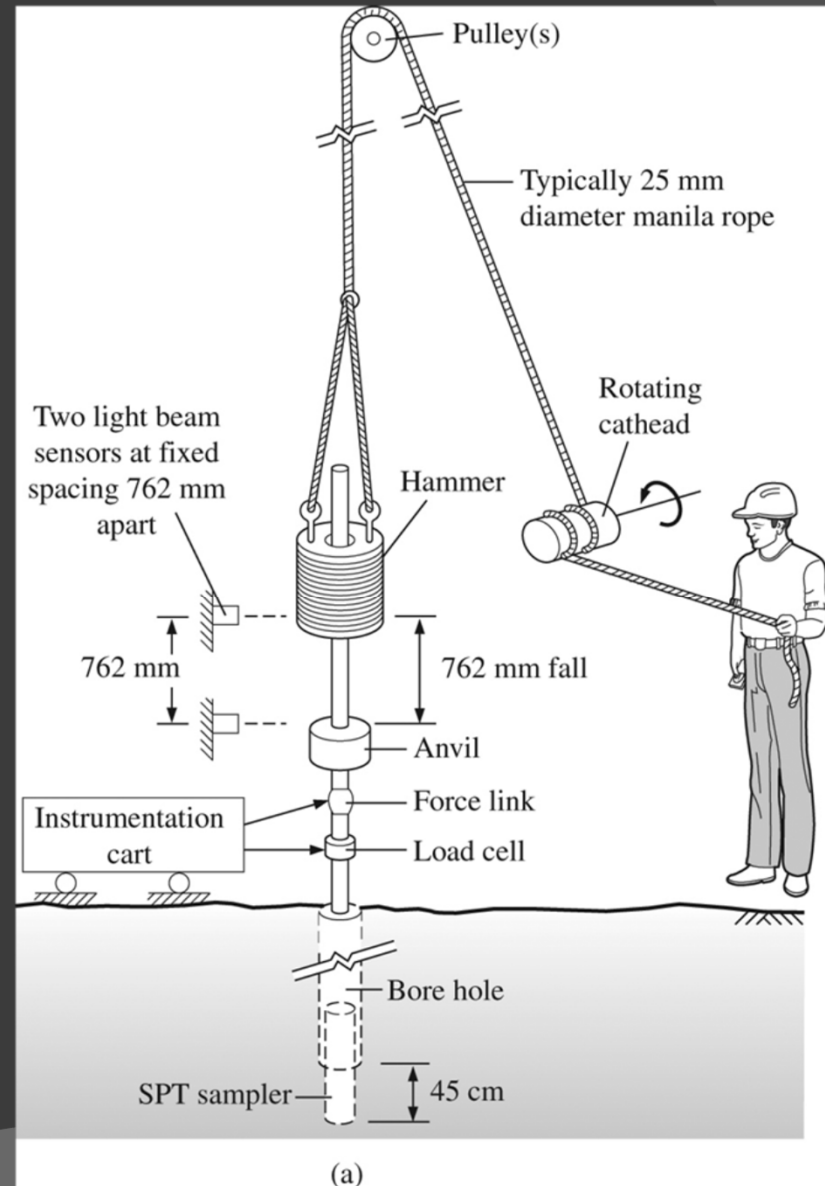
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(For  $M_w = 7.5$  and  $\sigma_v' = 1.0$  atm)  
(Seed et al. 2003)

# Estimation of Liquefaction Potential

- ◎ Subsurface data collection
  - Standard Penetration Testing (SPT)
  - Cone Penetrometer Testing (CPT)
  - Shear Wave Velocity Testing (VS)

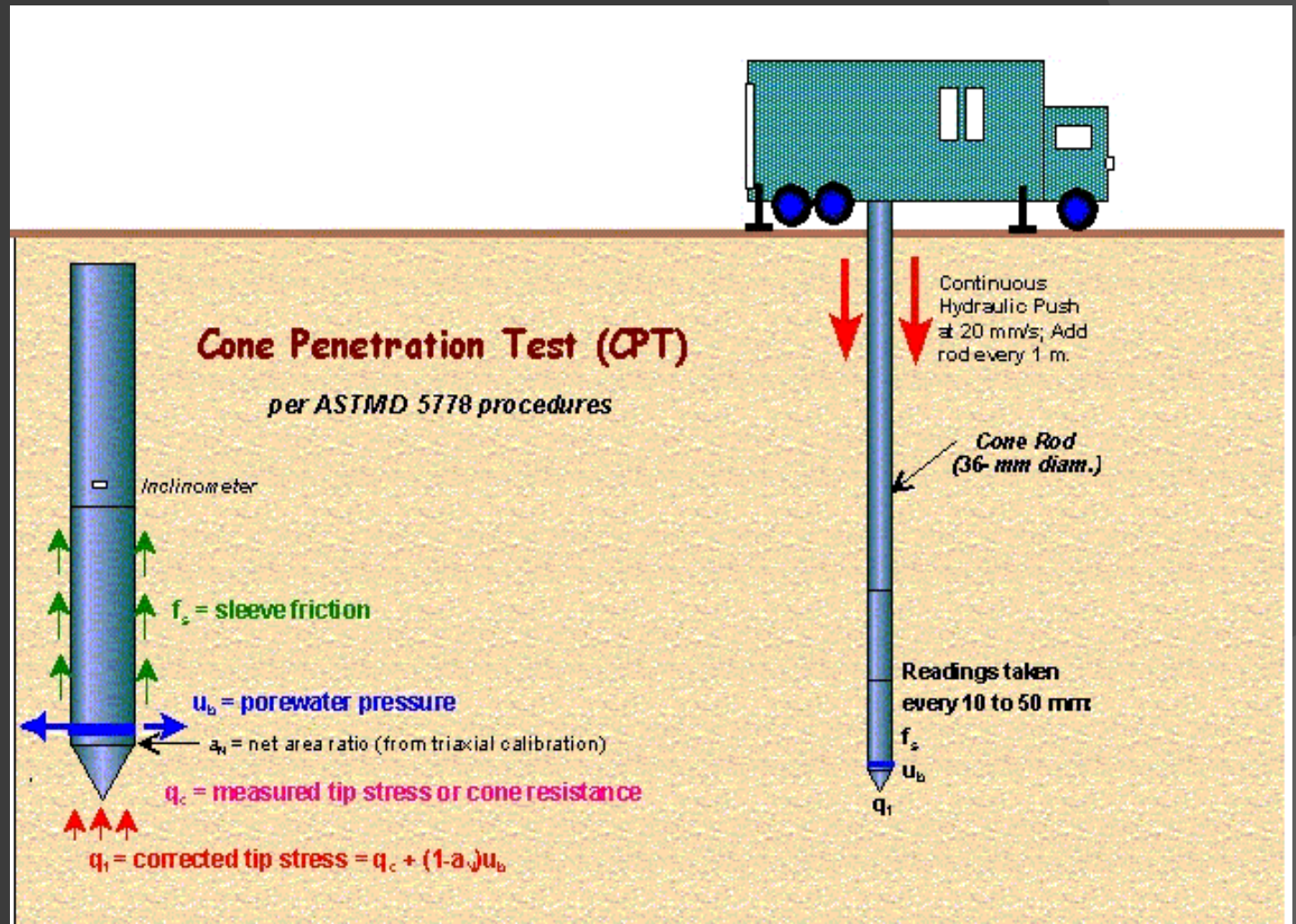
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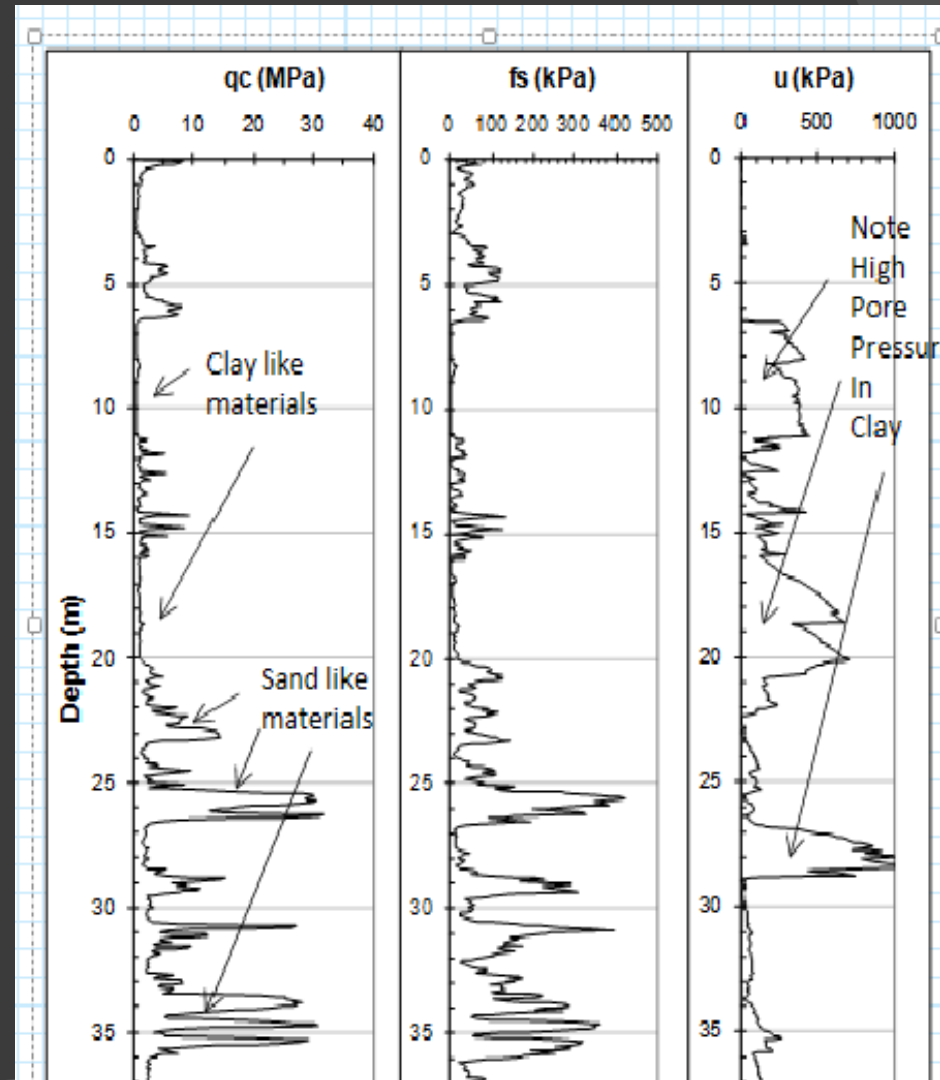
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- ◎ Subsurface data collection
  - Shear Wave Velocity Testing (VS)
    - Downhole (SCPT)
  - Surface geophysical techniques
    - Spectral Analysis of Surface Waves (SASW)



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# Estimation of Ground Displacement

⊙  $P(DH > x) = \sum P[(DH > x) | L] P[L | A, M, R] P[A, M, R]$

Where:

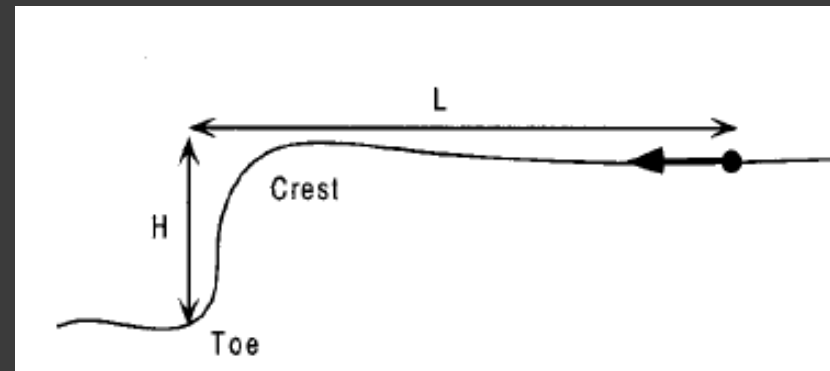
- $P(DH > x)$  = The probability of lateral spread exceeding a threshold value (e.g.,  $x = 0.1$  m and 0.3 m)
- $P[L | A, M, R]$  = the probability of liquefaction given an acceleration, magnitude, and source distance.
- $P[A, M, R]$  = joint probability density function of peak ground acceleration, magnitude and source distance.

# Estimation of Ground Displacement

Youd, Hansen, Bartlett (2002) Empirical Model

$$\text{Log}D_H = b_o + b_{off}\alpha + b_1M + b_2\text{Log}R^* + b_3R + b_4\text{Log}W + b_5\text{Log}S + b_6\text{Log}T_{15} + b_7\text{Log}(100 - F_{15}) + b_8\text{Log}(D50_{15} + 0.1 \text{ mm})$$

- Seismic Factors
  - $M, R$
- Topographic Factors
  - $W, S$
- Geotechnical Factors
  - $T_{15}, F_{15}, D50_{15}$



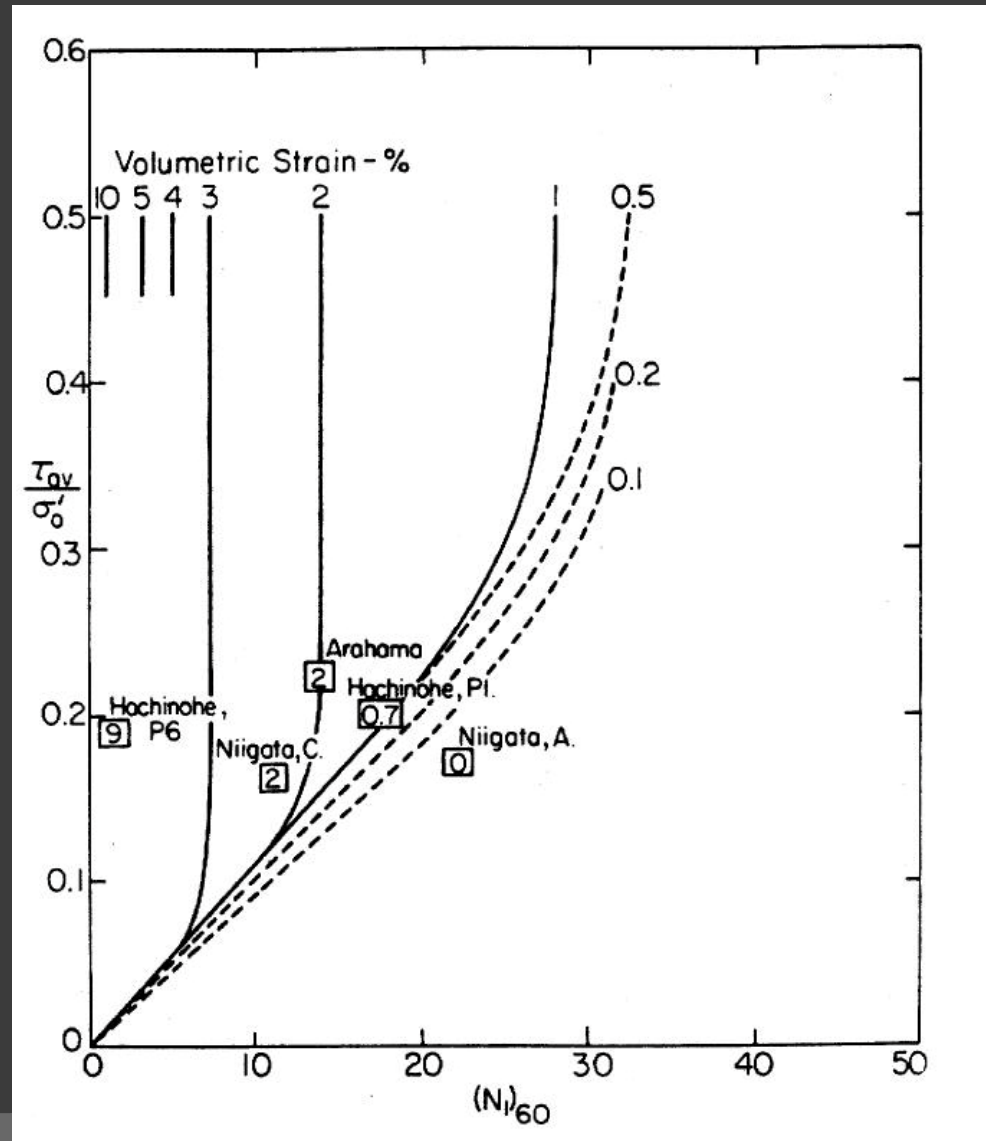
Free-face ratio:  $W (\%) = H / L * 100$

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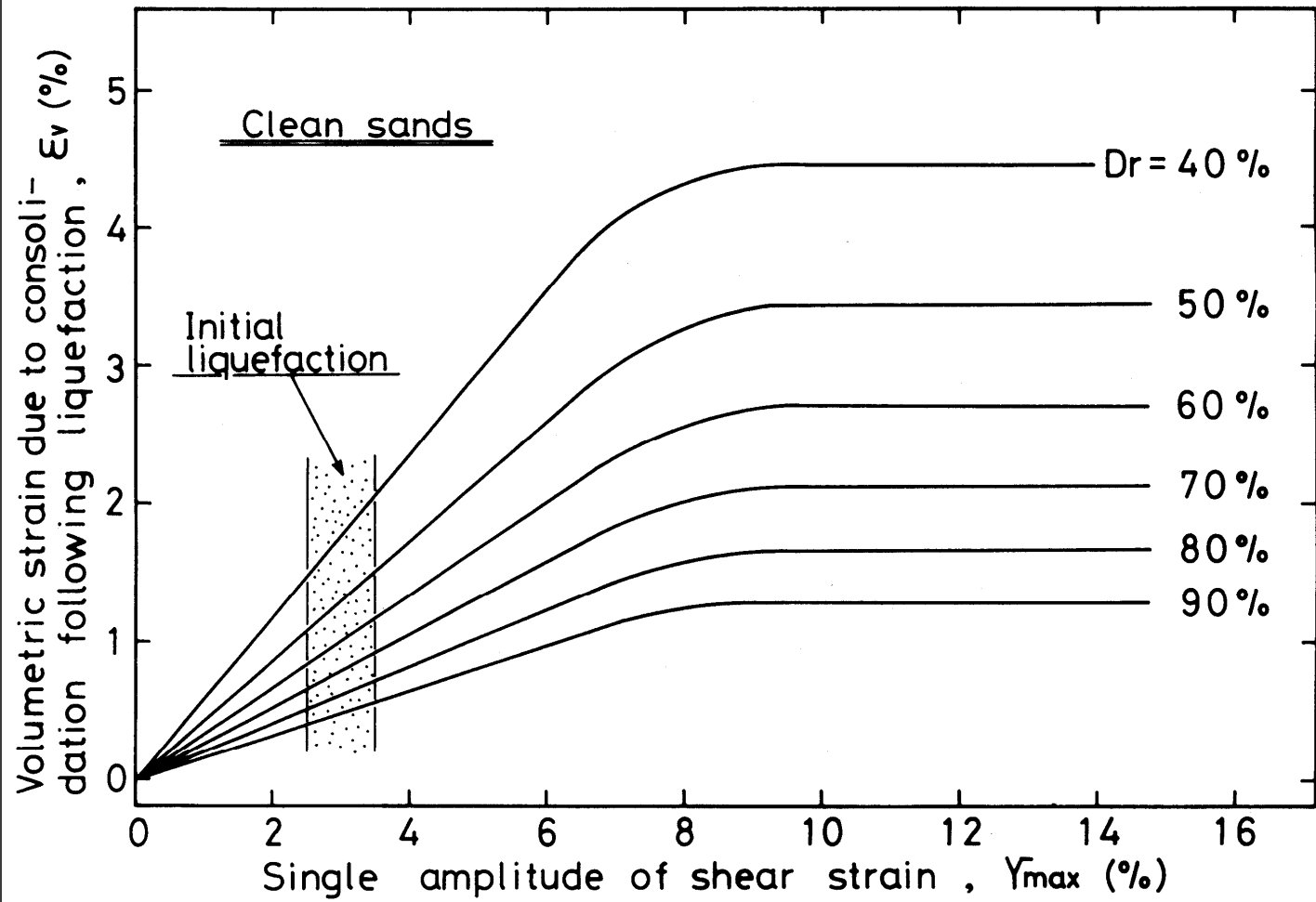
# Estimation of Settlement

(Tokimatsu  
And Seed, 1987)



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(Ishihara and Yoshimine 1992).



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# Other Mapping Inputs

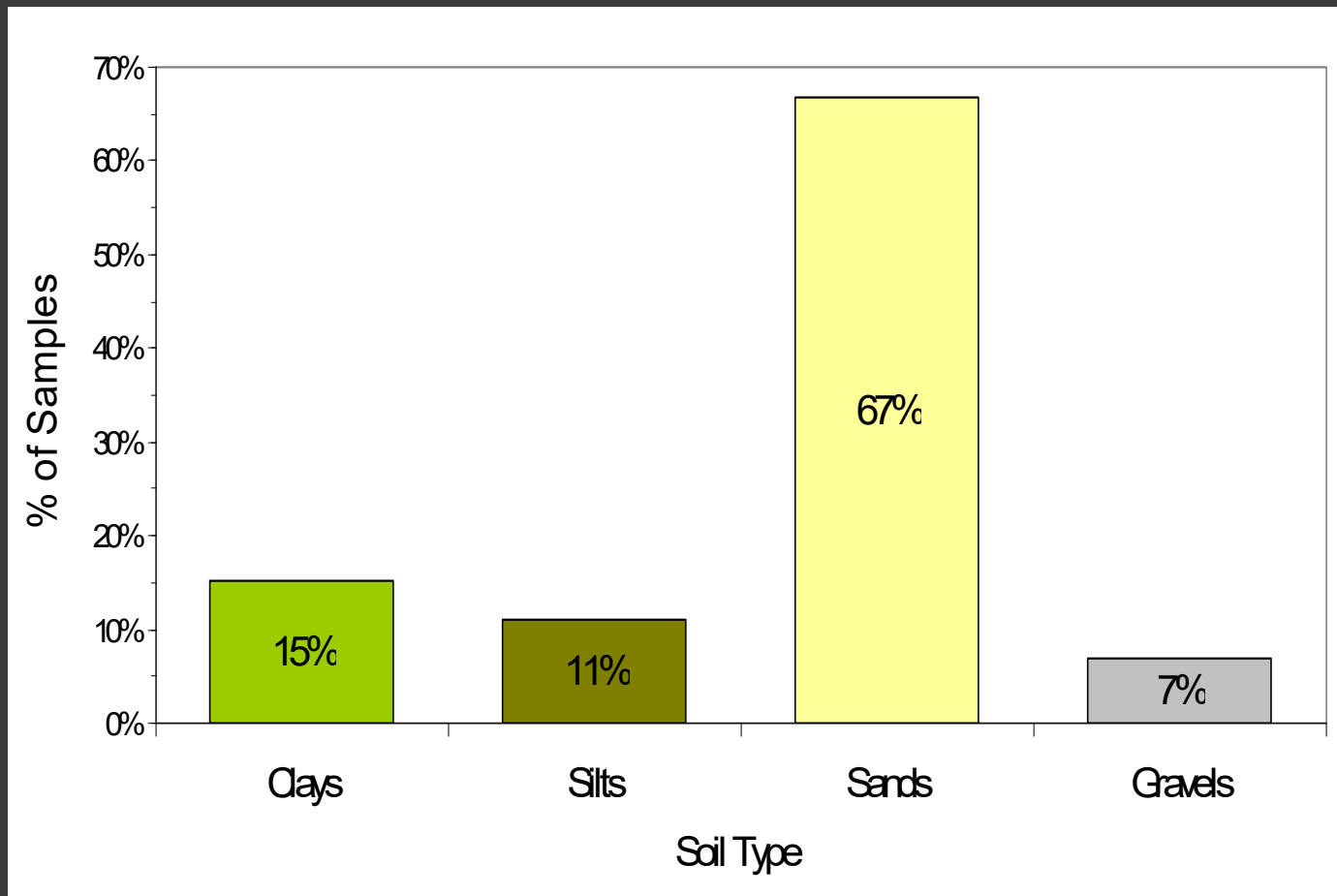
- Surficial geologic maps
- Topographical maps
- Digital Elevation Model (DEM)
- Groundwater depths
- Aerial photography
- Investigation Reports
- Surficial geologic mapping (Personious and Scott, 1992, Biek et al. 2004, and Miller 1980)
- Fault location data
- River and channel locations and depths
- Great Salt Lake location
- Peak ground acceleration map (pga, Wong et al. 2002)





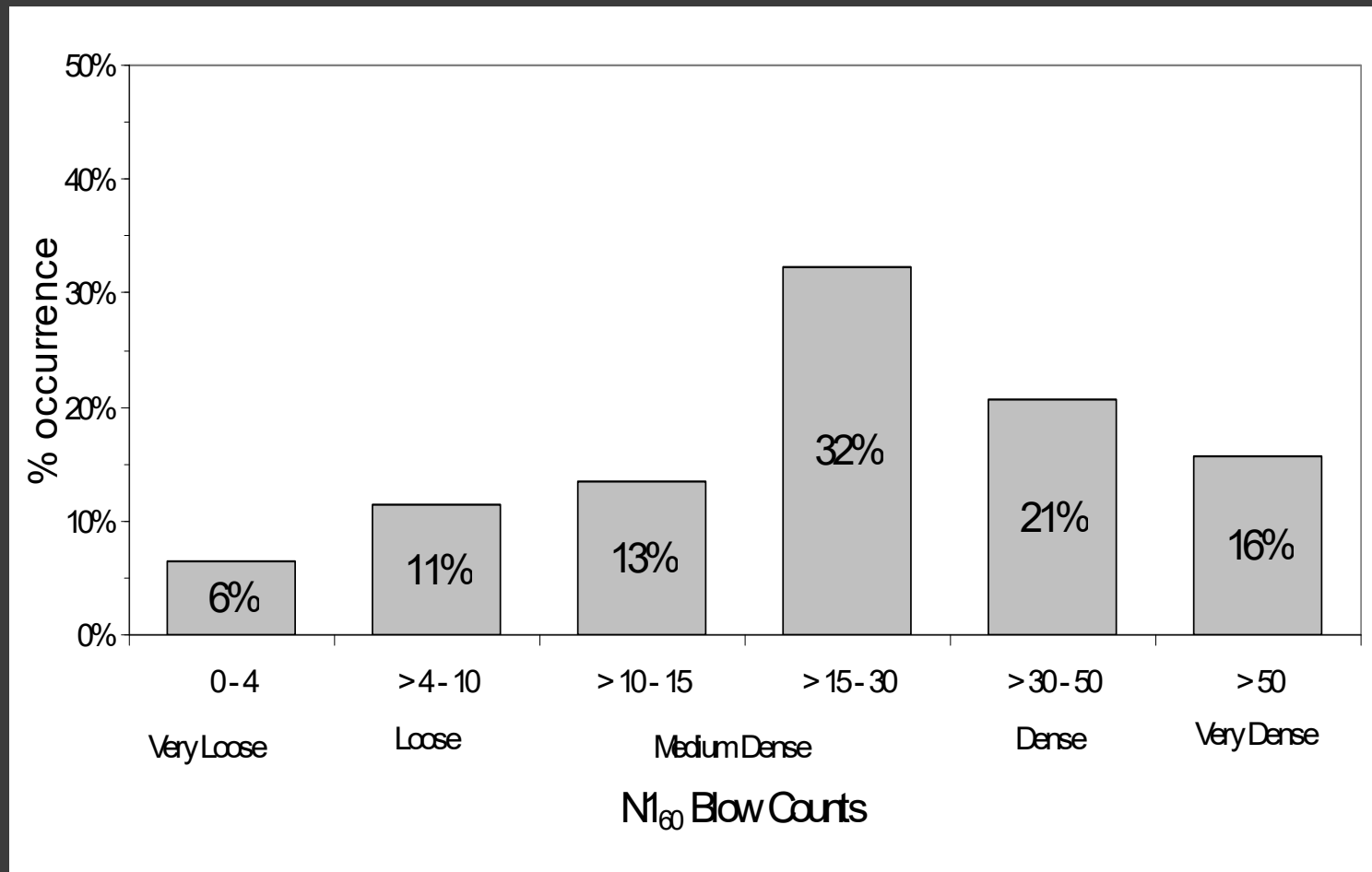
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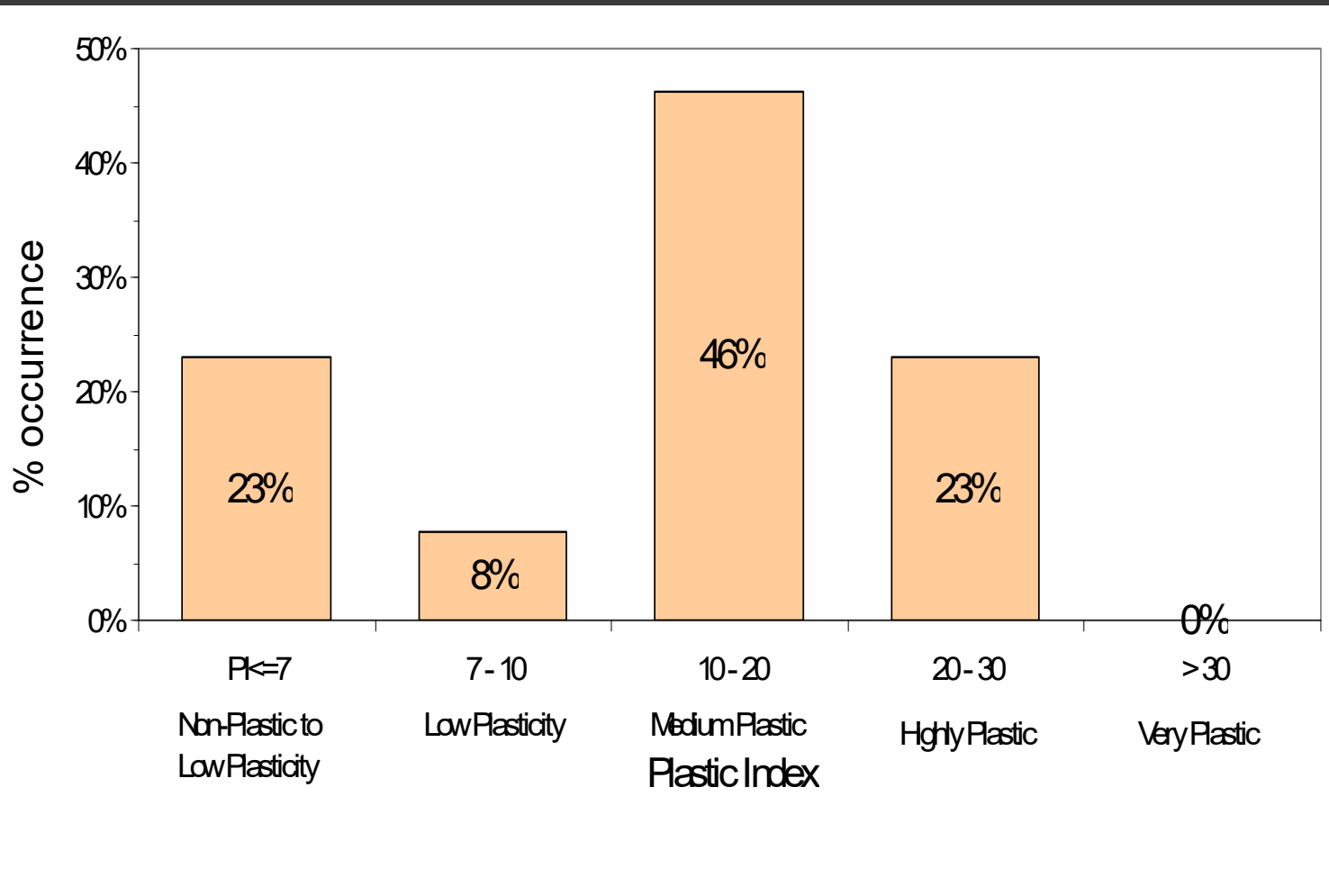
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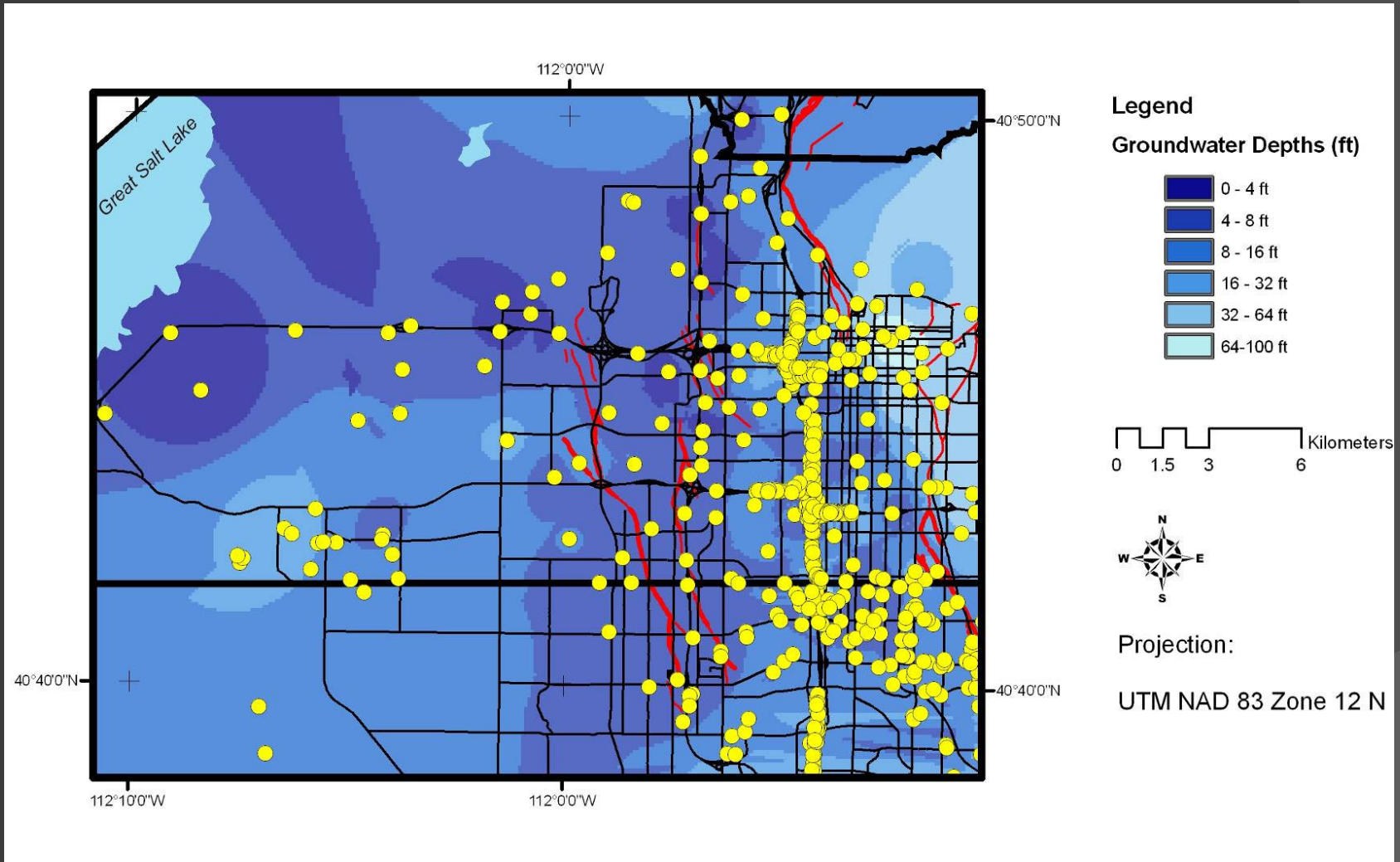


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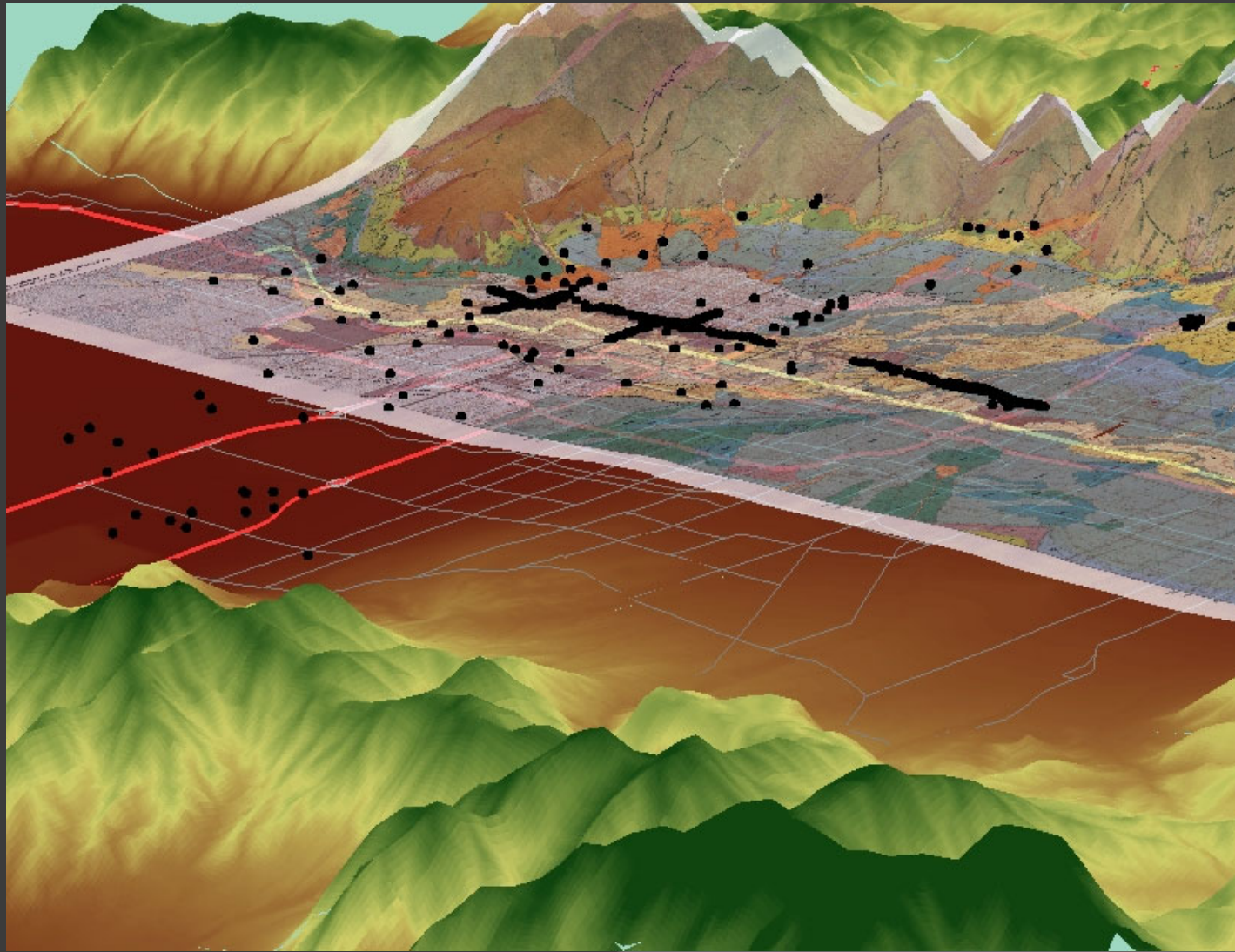


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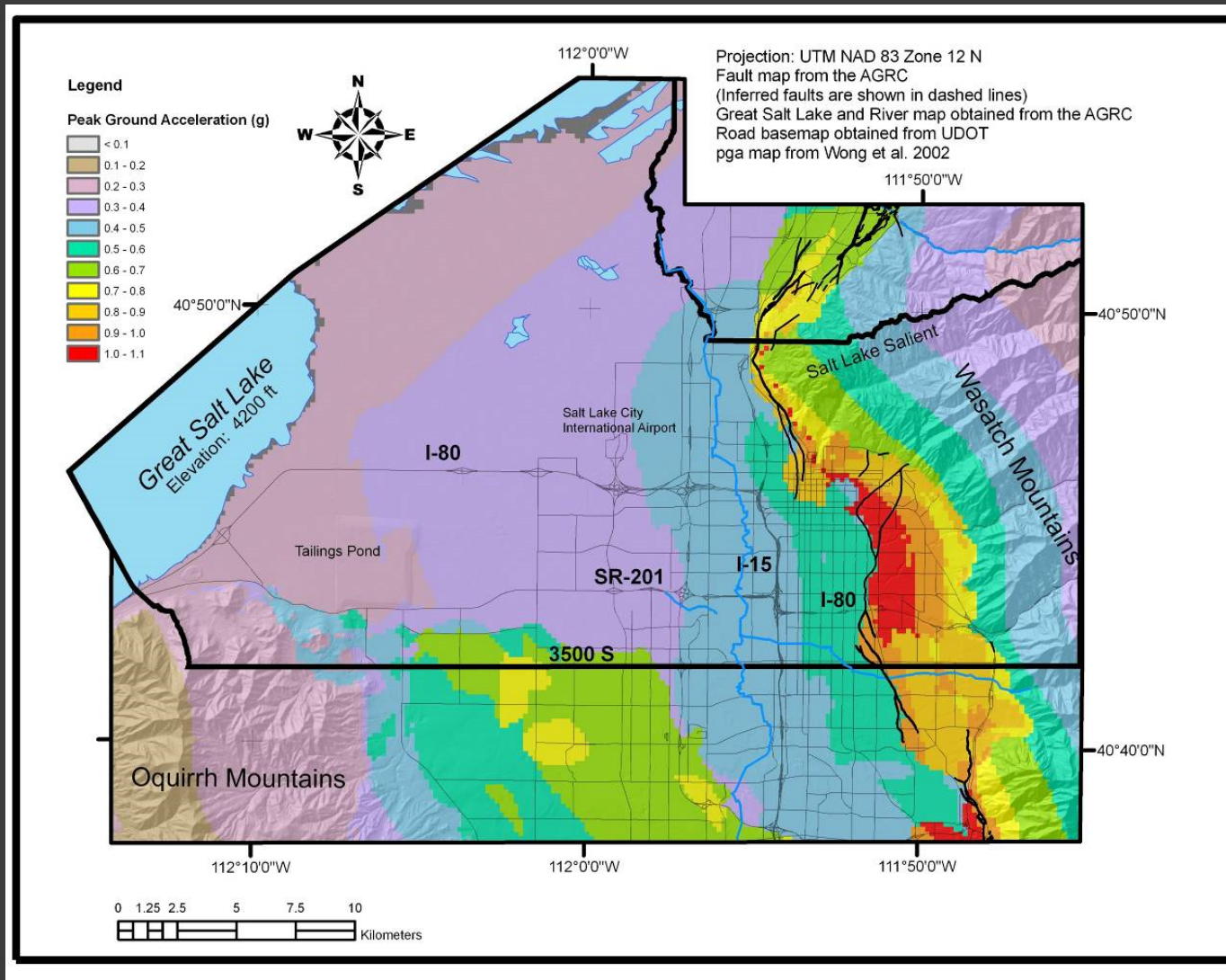
Groundwater Depth Map

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Digital Elevation Model

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Estimates of peak ground acceleration (Wong et al., 2002)

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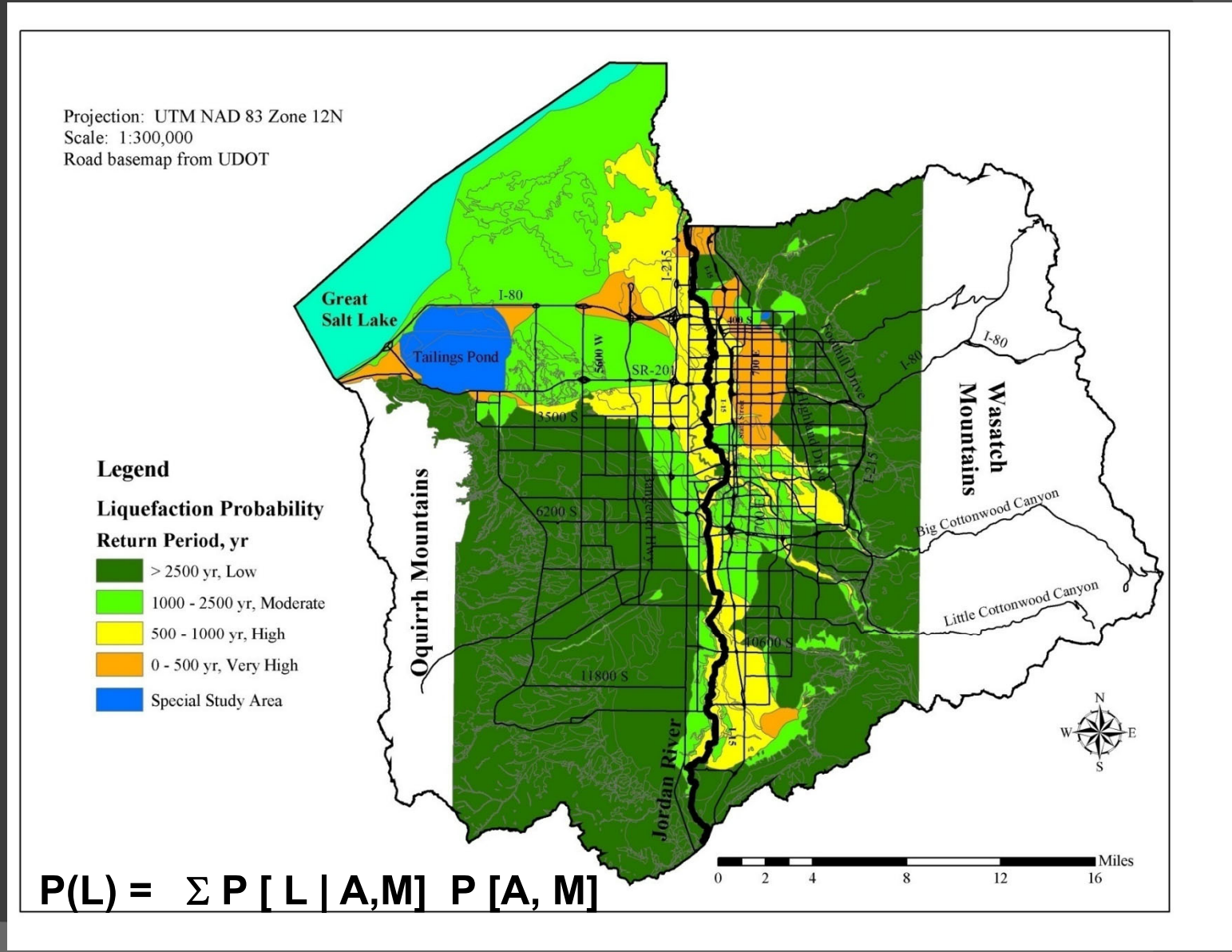




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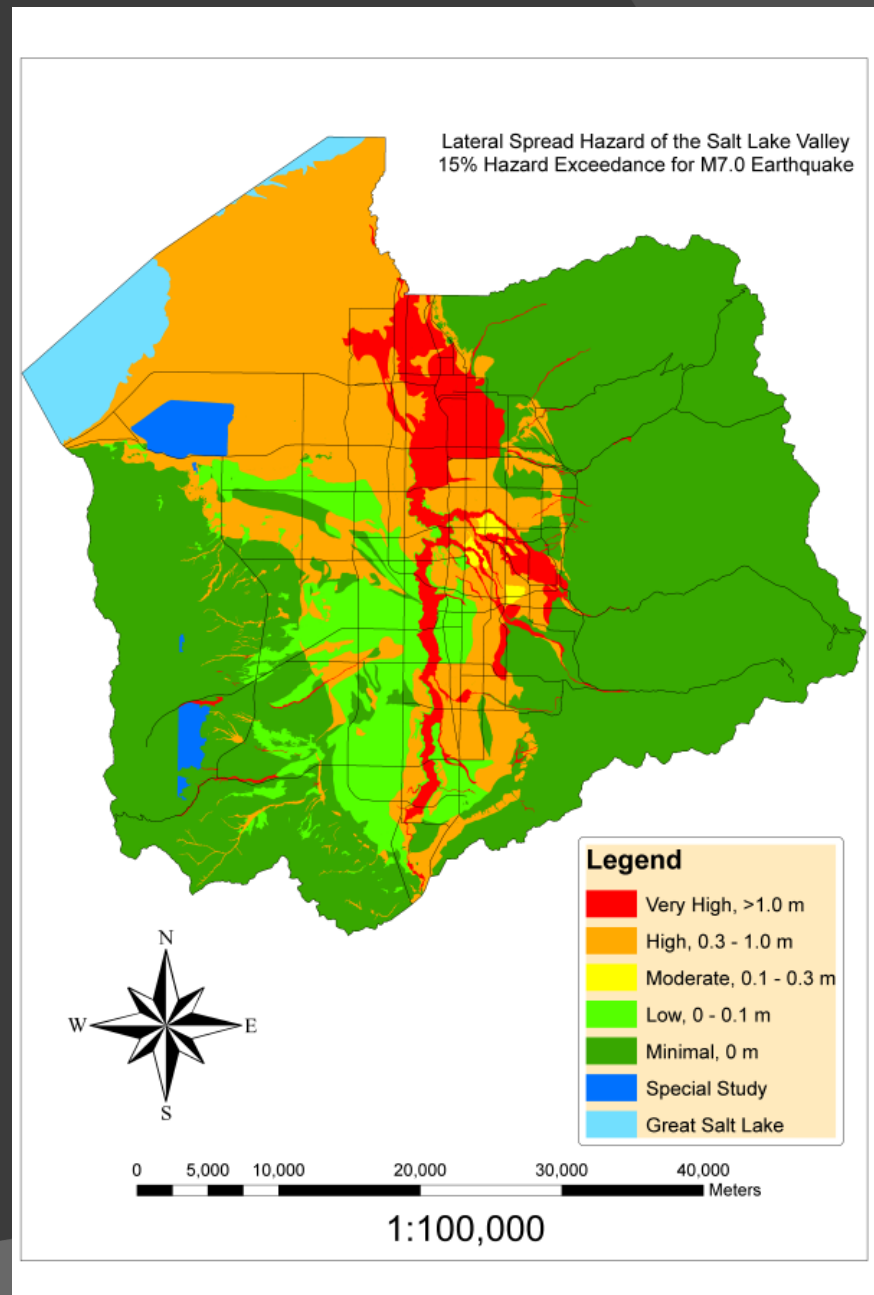
# Map Examples – Liquefaction Potential (Aggregated)



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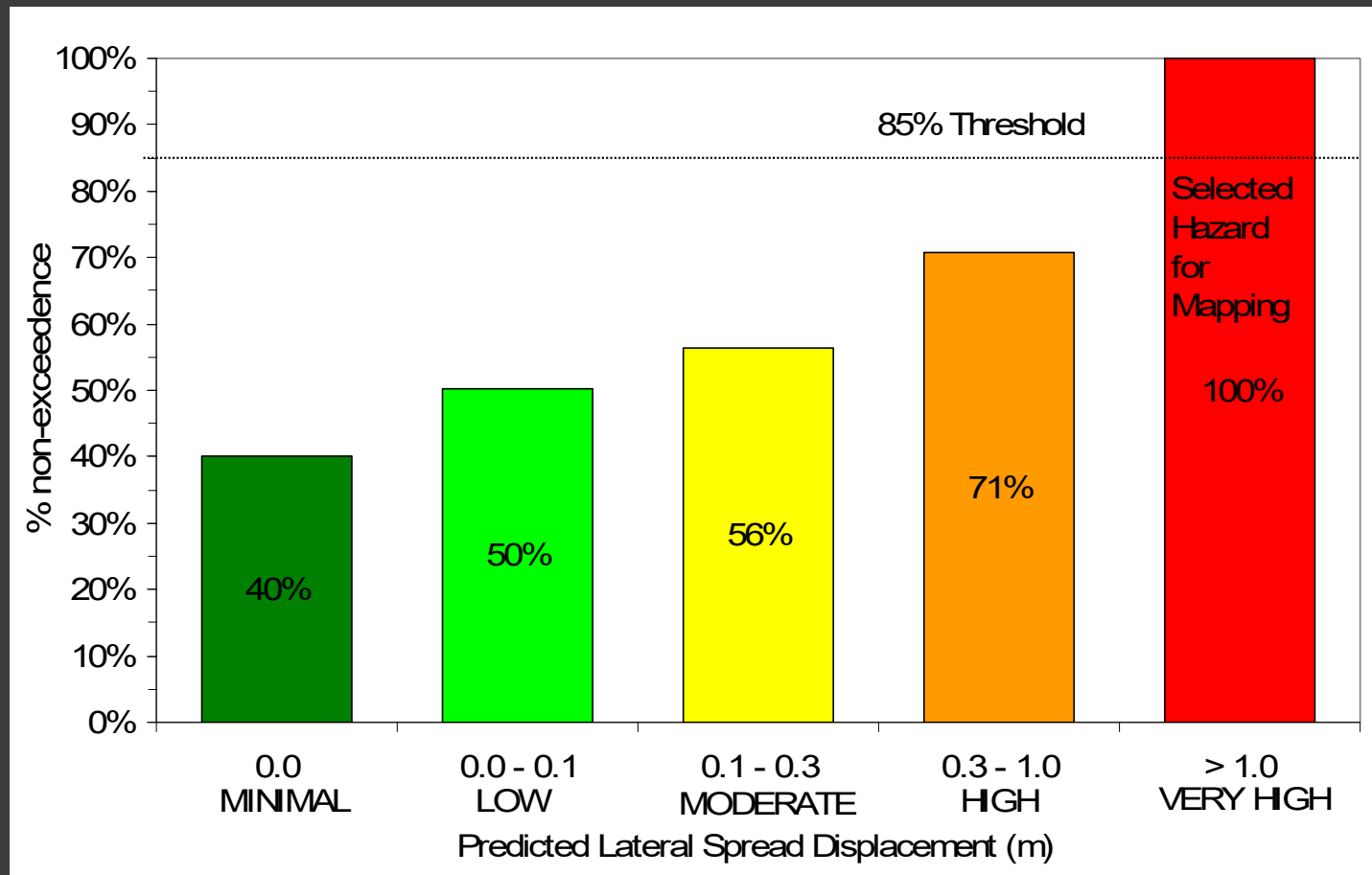
M 7.0 Lateral spread displacement map  
(15 percent chance of exceedance)

(Recommended for regulatory use)



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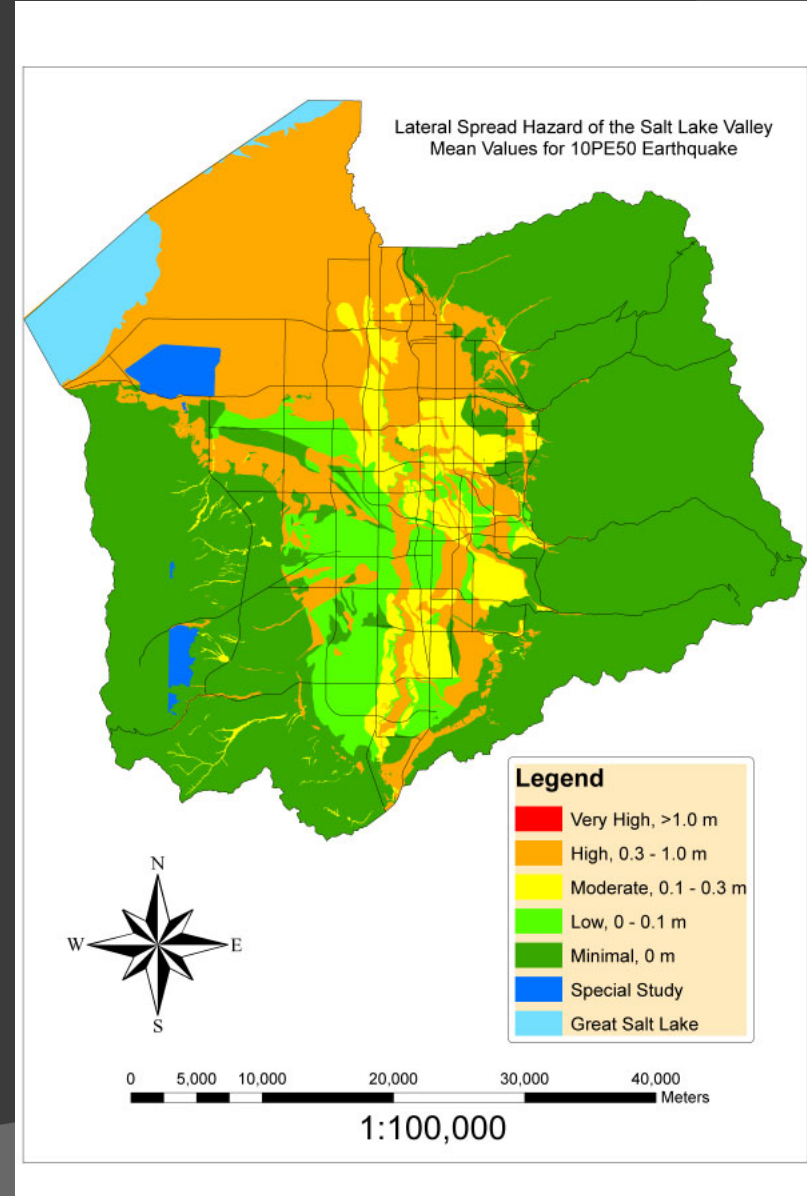
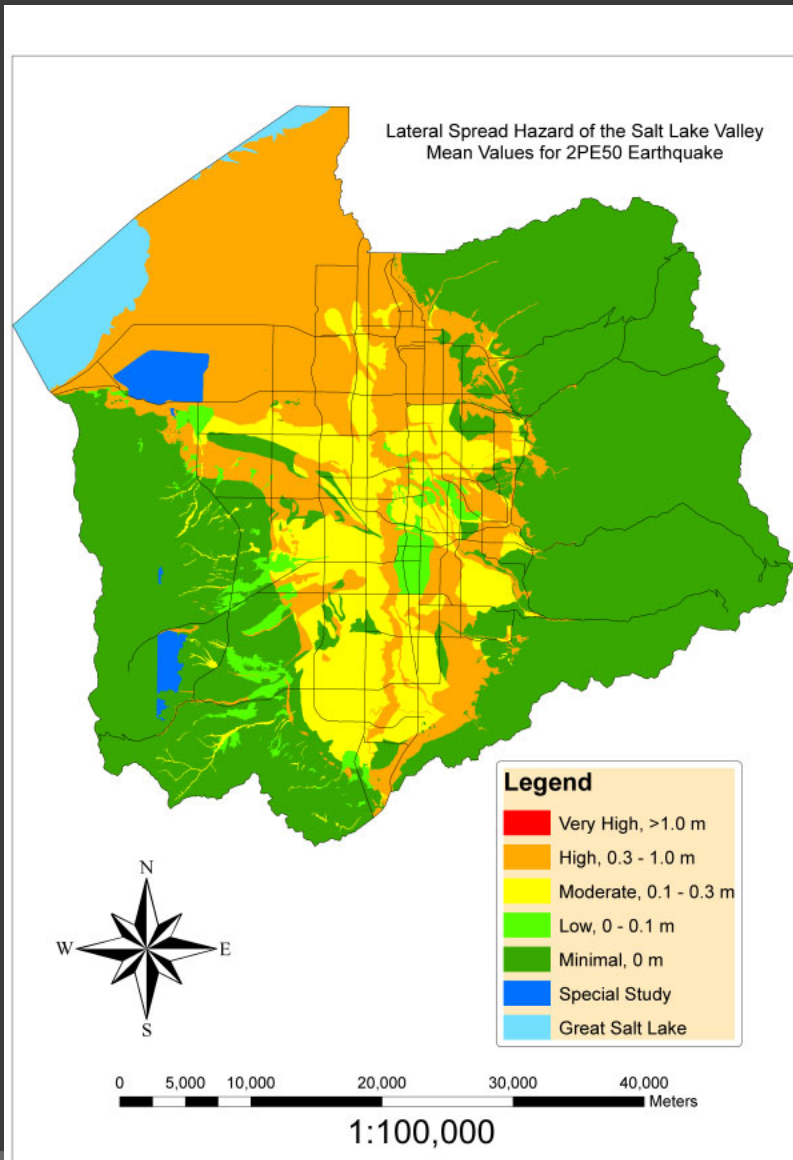
- Mapping 85% threshold (i.e., 15% or less chance of exceedance)



Cumulative histogram of lateral spread displacement

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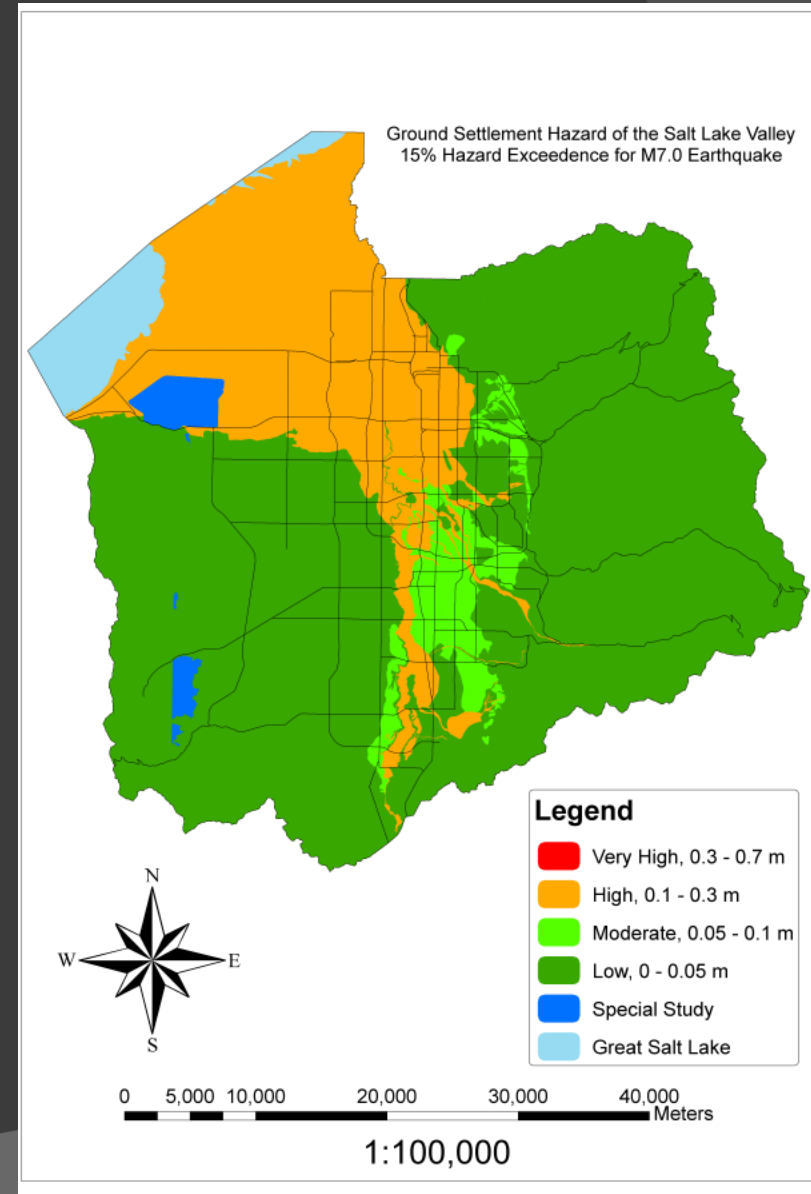
## Lateral Spread or 2500 and 500-year scenarios



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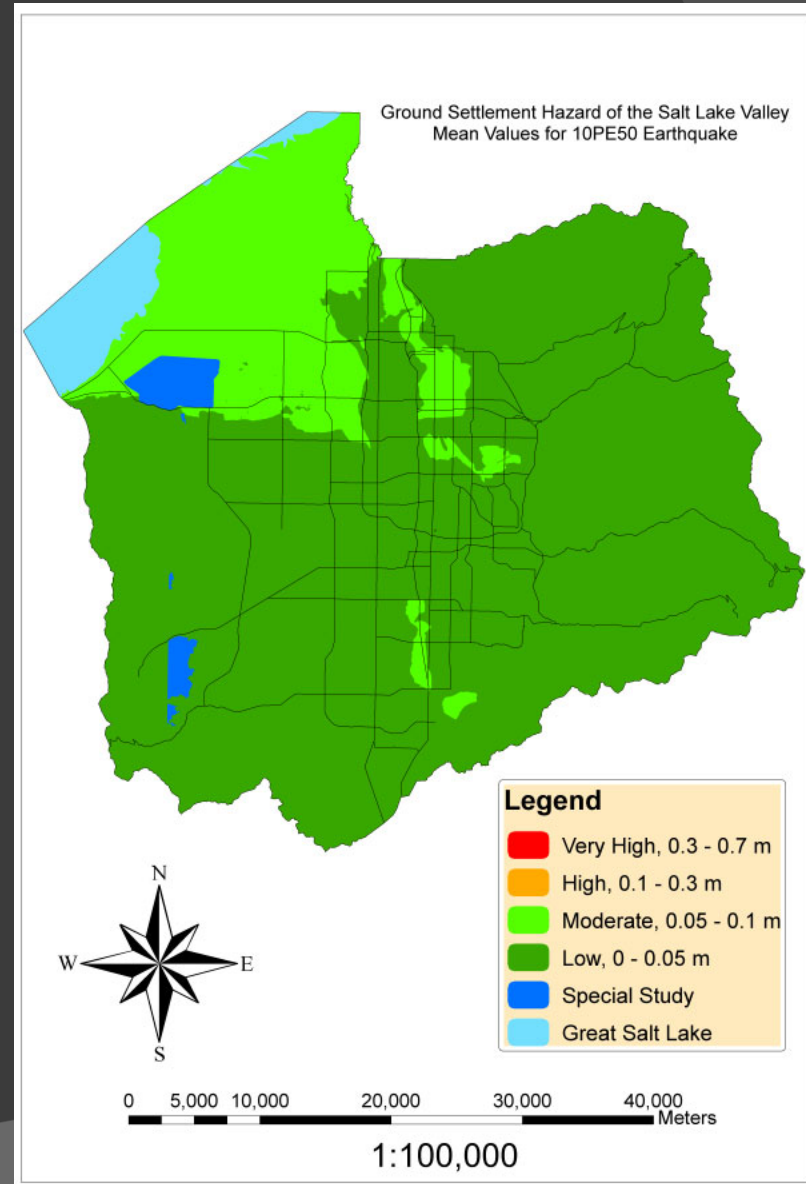
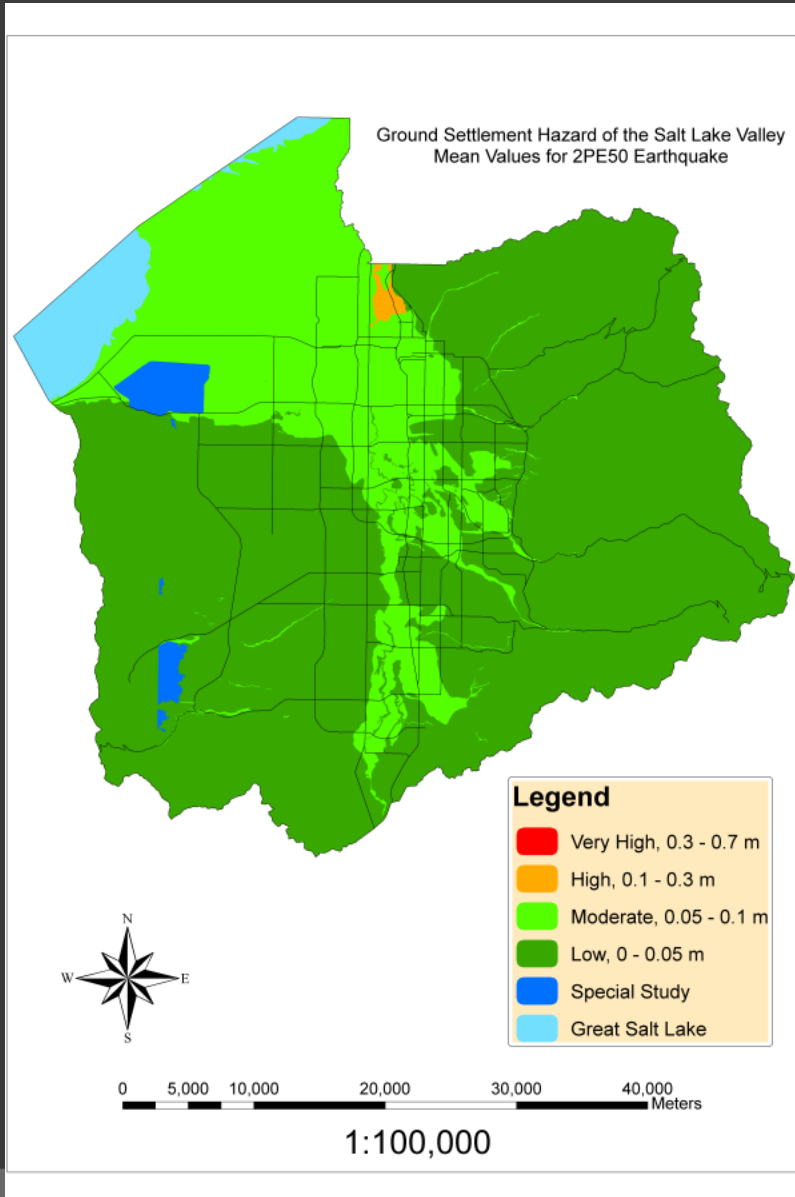
M 7.0 Ground Settlement  
Map (15 percent chance  
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# Map Examples

## Ground Settlement Map for 2500 and 500-year scenarios





# Mapping of Weber Co.

- ⦿ Less geotechnical data
  - Improve methods of combining geotechnical data with surficial geology
  - Better methods for including CPT data
- ⦿ Generalize displacement regression model
- ⦿ Perform uncertainty analysis
- ⦿ Improve the influence of topography

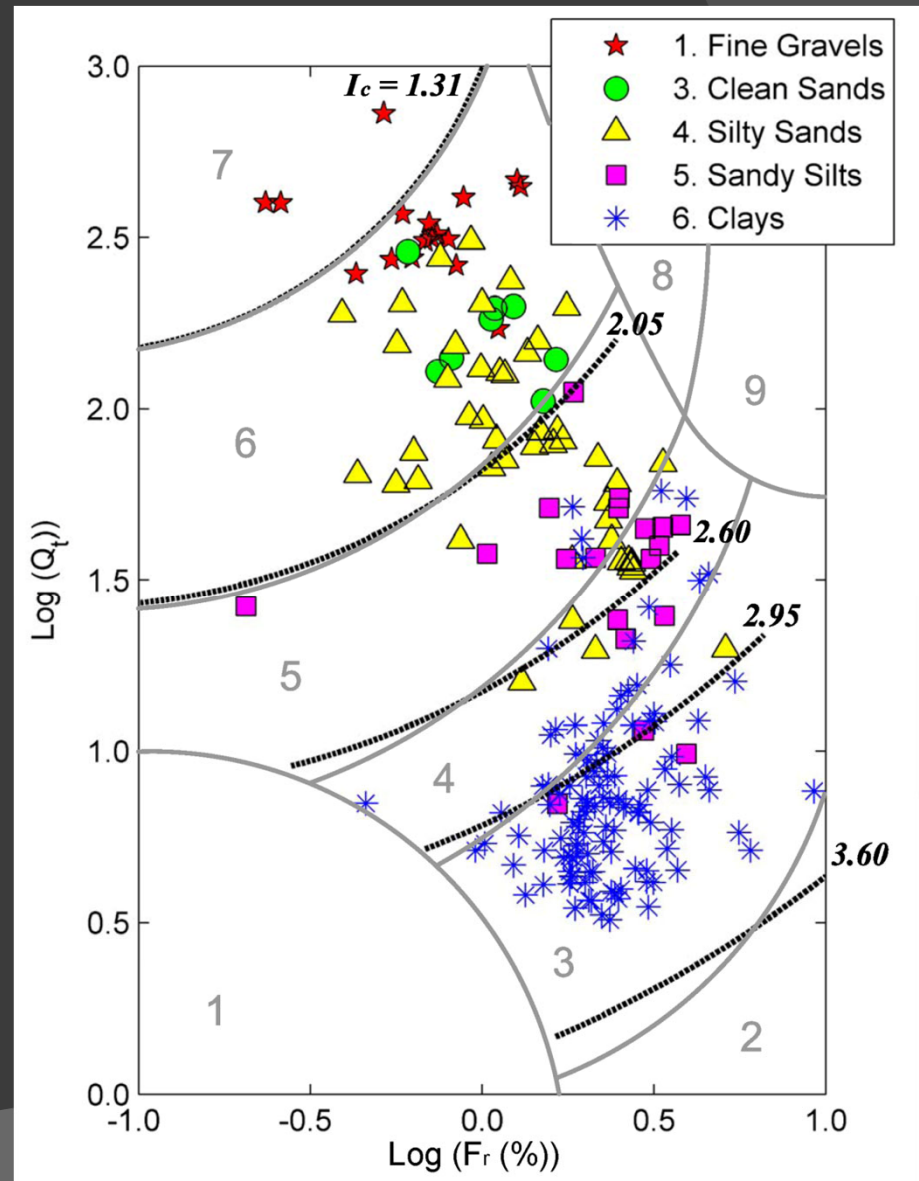
# Estimating Liquefaction Potential

Zone	Soil Behaviour Type (SBT)
1	Sensitive fine-grained
2	Clay - organic soil
3	Clays: clay to silty clay
4	Silt mixtures: clayey silt & silty clay
5	Sand mixtures: silty sand to sandy silt
6	Sands: clean sands to silty sands
7	Dense sand to gravelly sand
8	Stiff sand to clayey sand*
9	Stiff fine-grained*

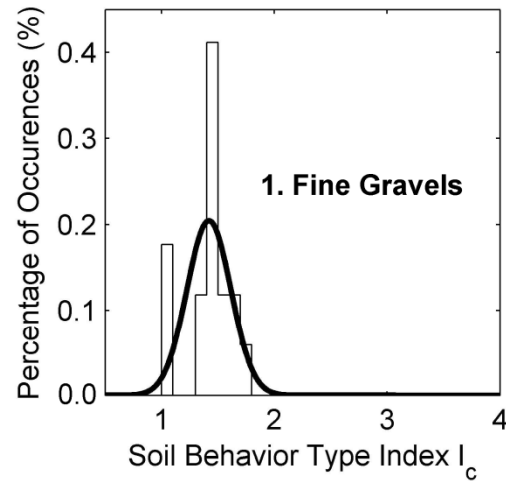
\* Overconsolidated or cemented

$$I_c = [(3.47 - \text{Log}Q_{tn})^2 + (\text{Log}F_r + 1.22)^2]^{0.5}$$

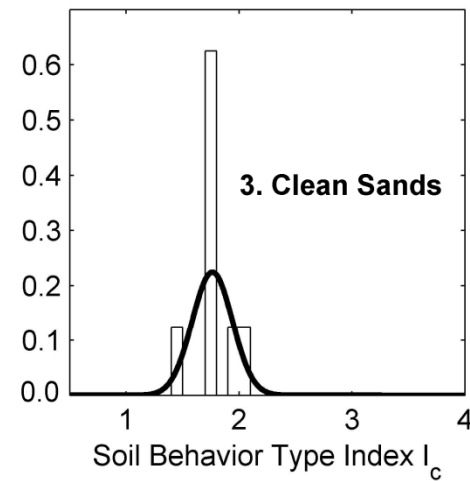
Robertson (1990) Soil Behavior Type Chart  
Boundaries of each zone estimated by circles with radius =  $I_c$



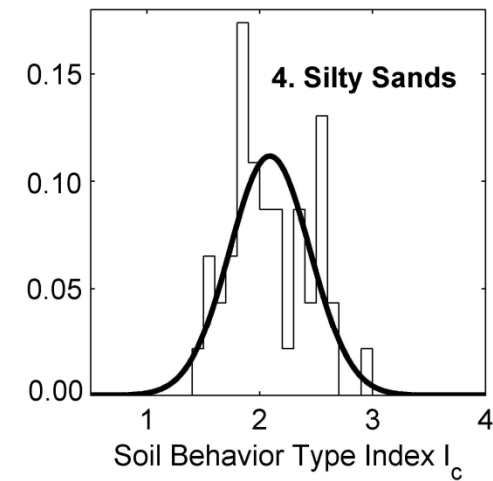
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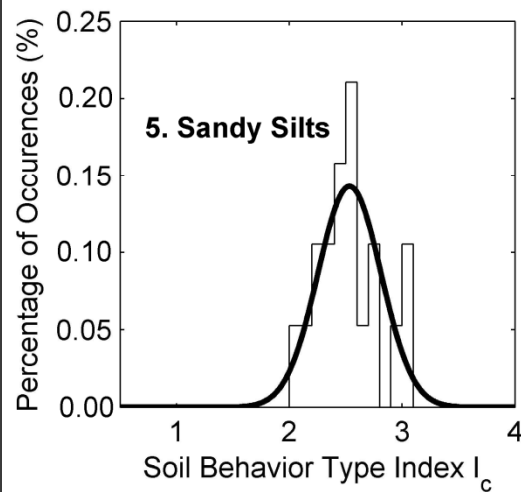
(a)



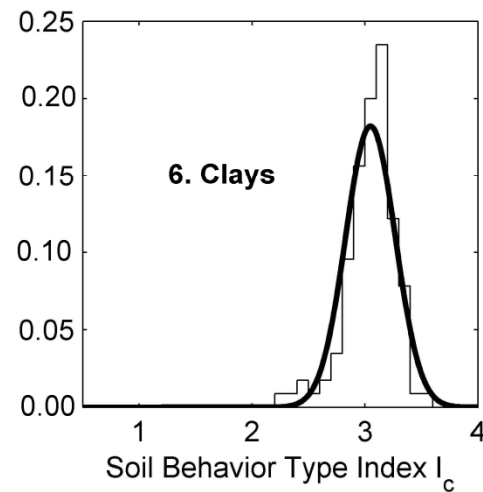
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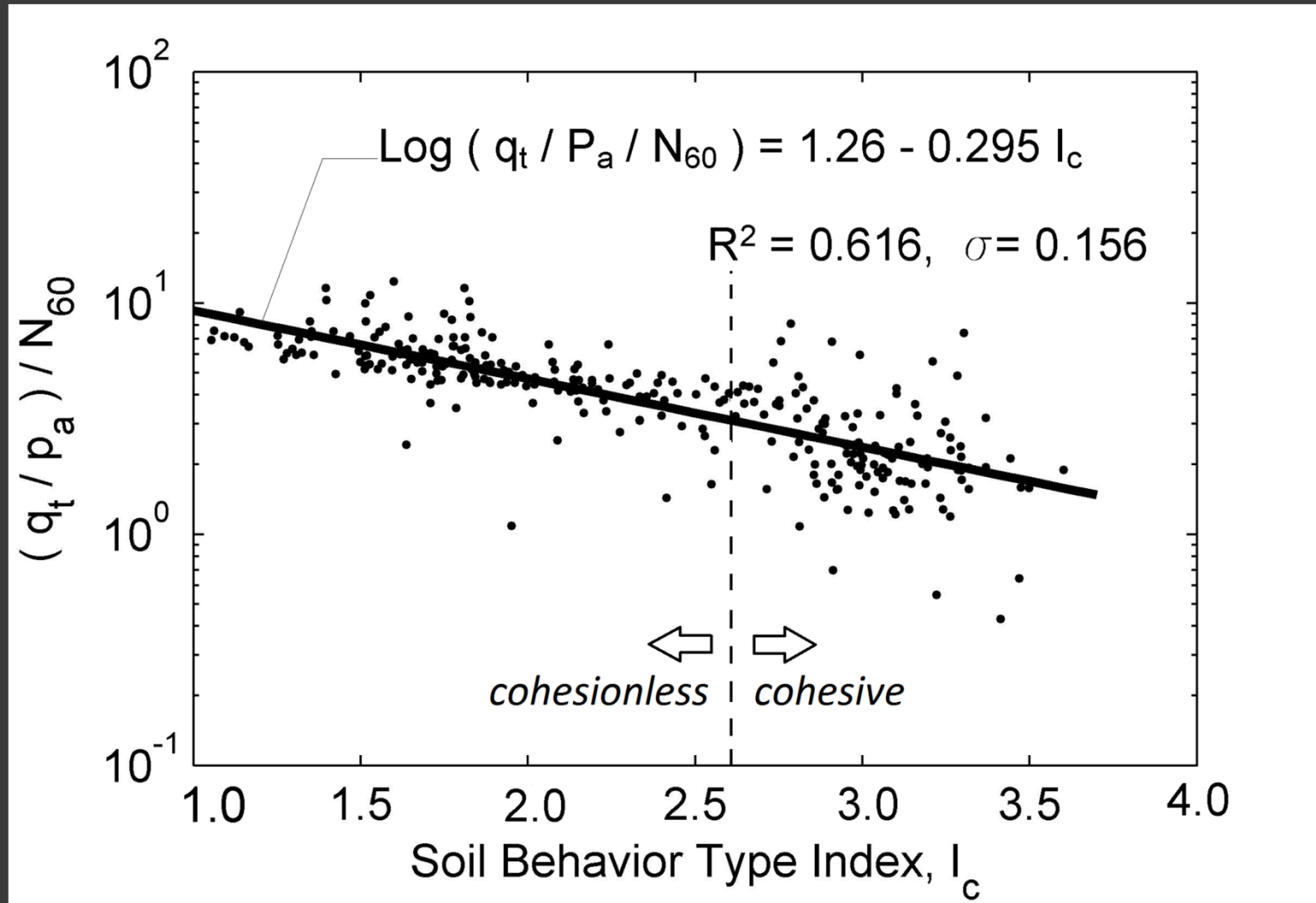


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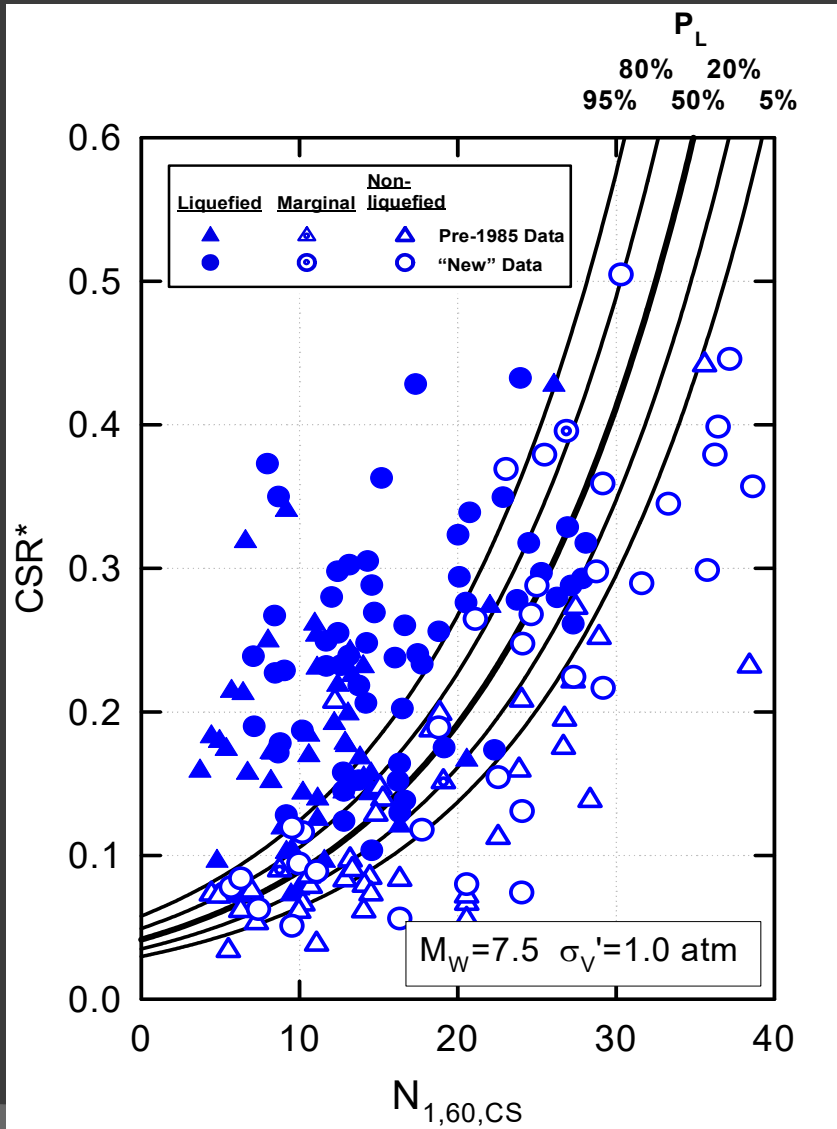


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# Estimation of Ground Displacement

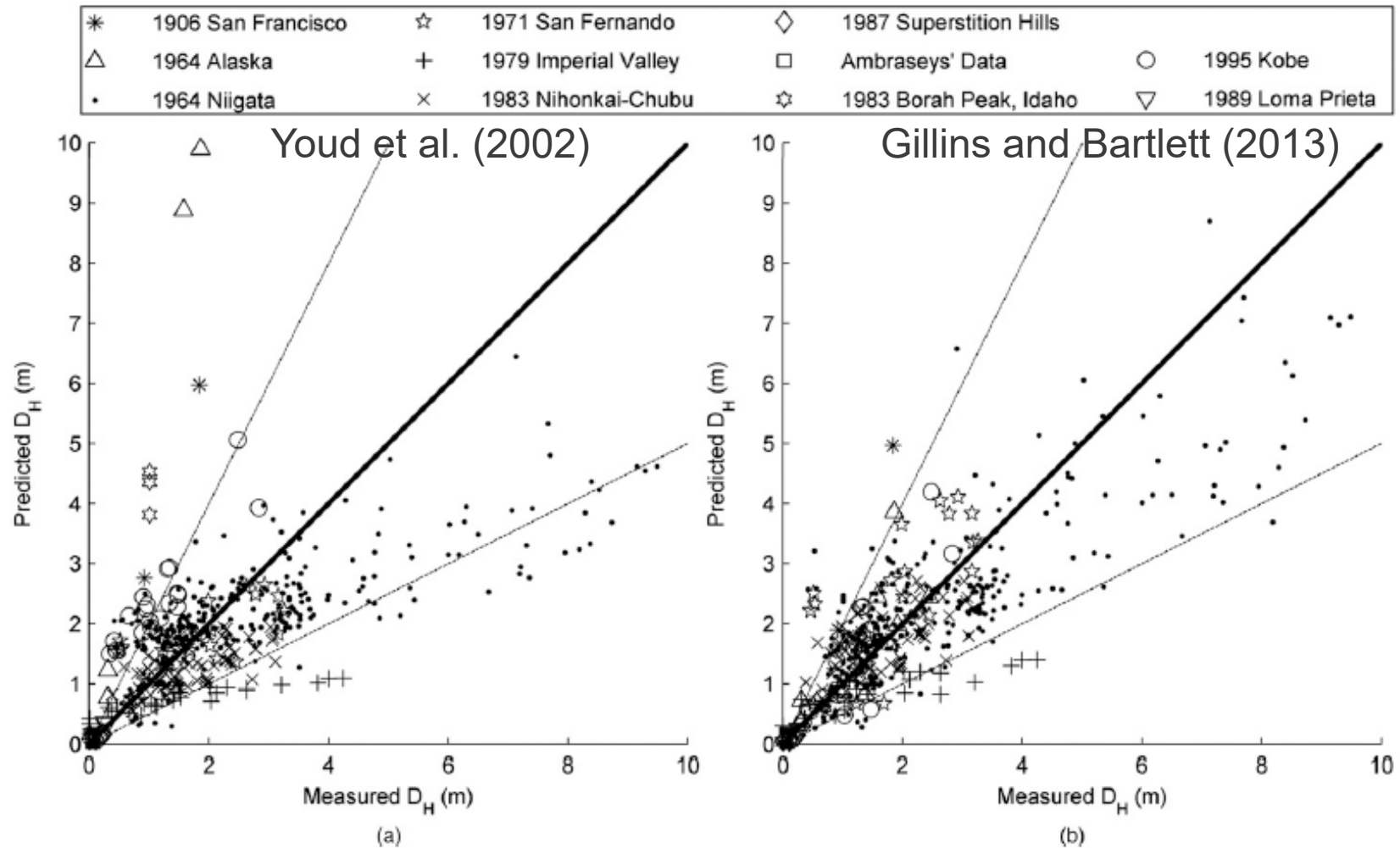
Gillins and Bartlett (2013) Empirical Model

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$x_i$  = the portion (decimal fraction) of  $T_{15}$  in a borehole that has a soil index corresponding to the table below

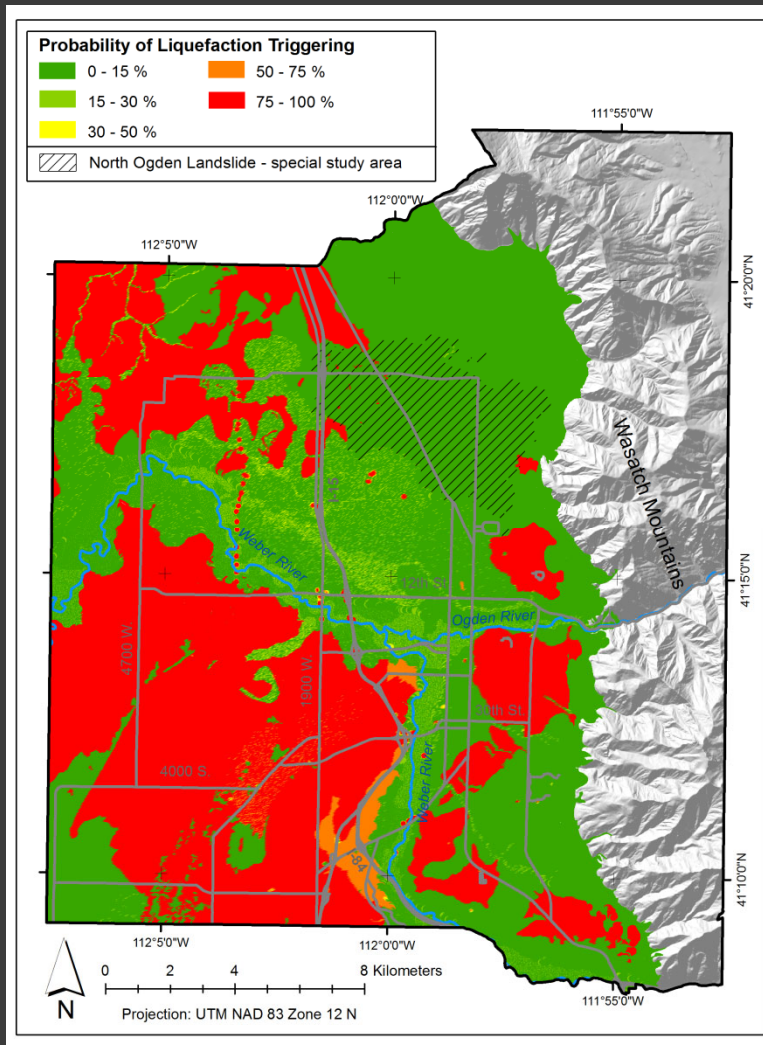
Soil Index (SI)	Typical Soil Description in Case History Database	General USCS Symbol
1	Silty gravel, fine gravel	GM
2	Coarse sand, sand and gravel	GM-SP
3	Medium to fine sand, sand with some silt	SP-SM
4	Fine to very fine sand, silty sand	SM
5	Low plasticity silt, sandy silt	ML
6	Clay (not liquefiable)	CL-CH

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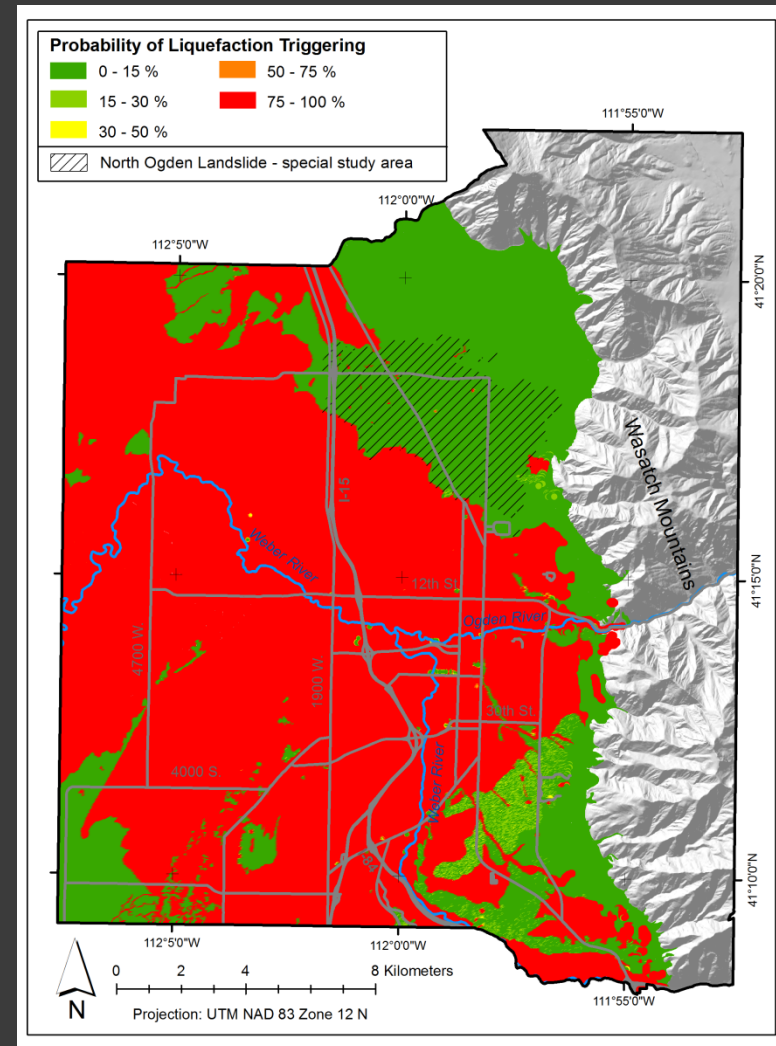


**Fig. 1.** Predicted lateral spread displacement using (a) Eq. (3) or (b) Eq. (4), versus measured lateral spread displacement from the case history database of Youd et al. (2002)

# Liquefaction Potential Maps



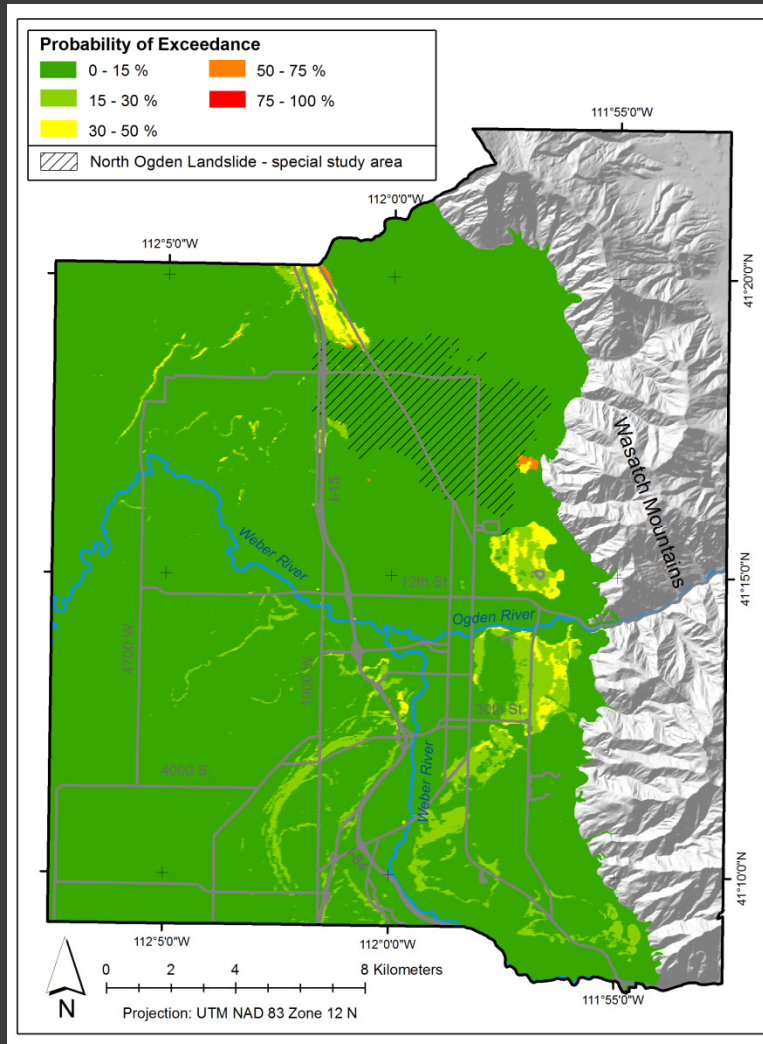
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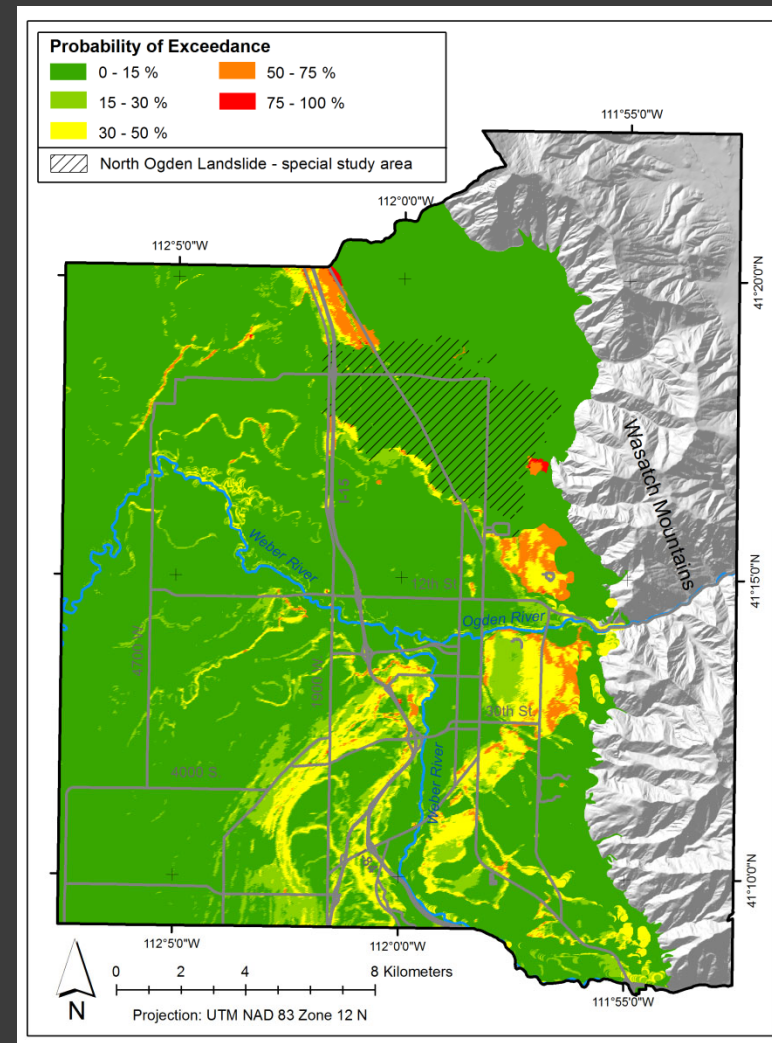
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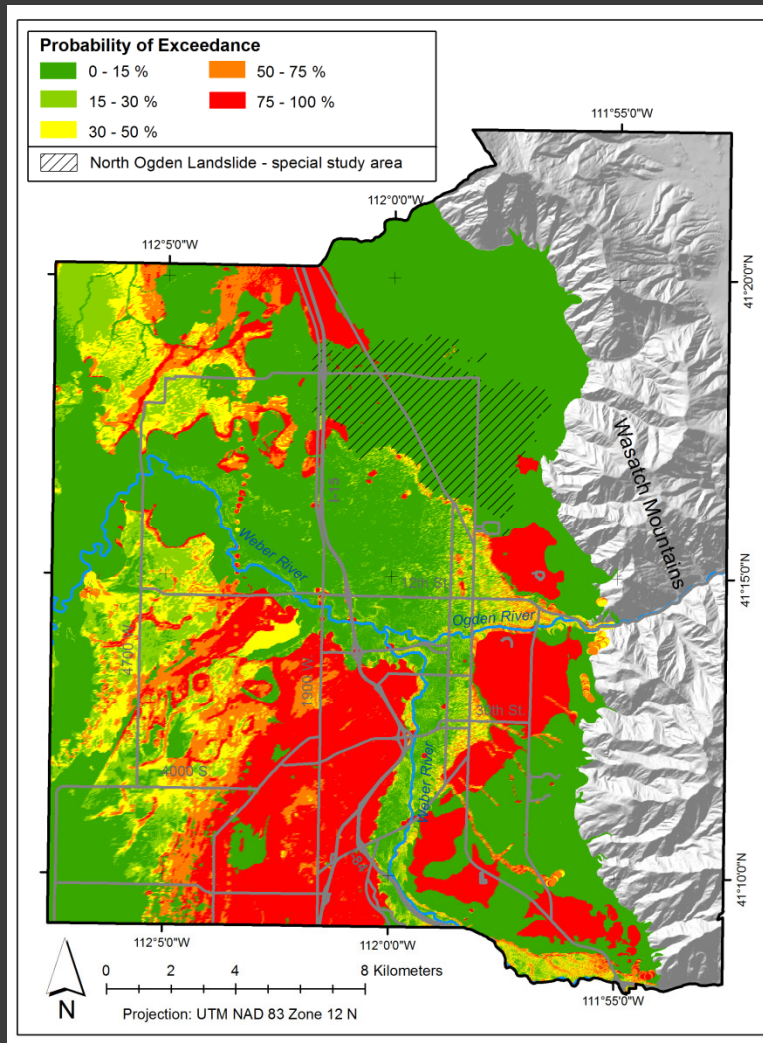


Median probabilities of exceeding 0.3 m, 500-year event

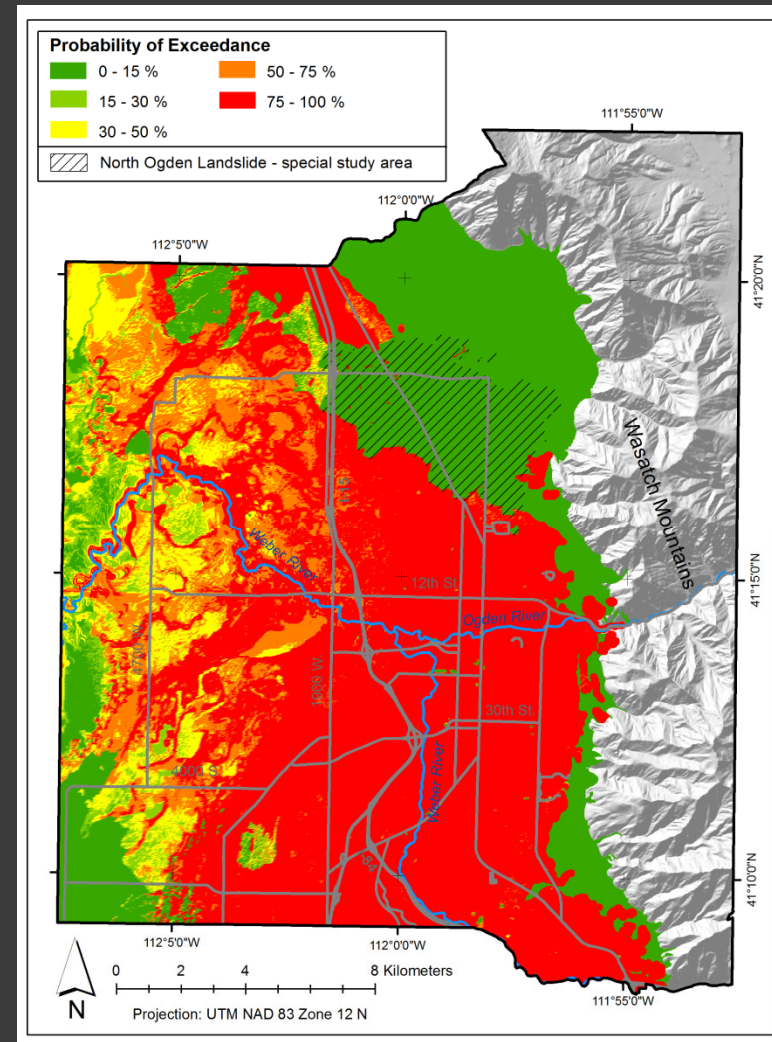


84<sup>th</sup> percentile probabilities, of exceeding 0.3 m, 500-year event

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Median probabilities of exceeding 0.3 m, 2,500-year event



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# For more information:

<http://www.civil.utah.edu/~bartlett/ULAG/>

## Multilinear Regression Equations for Predicting Lateral Spread Displacement from Soil Type and Cone Penetration Test Data

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