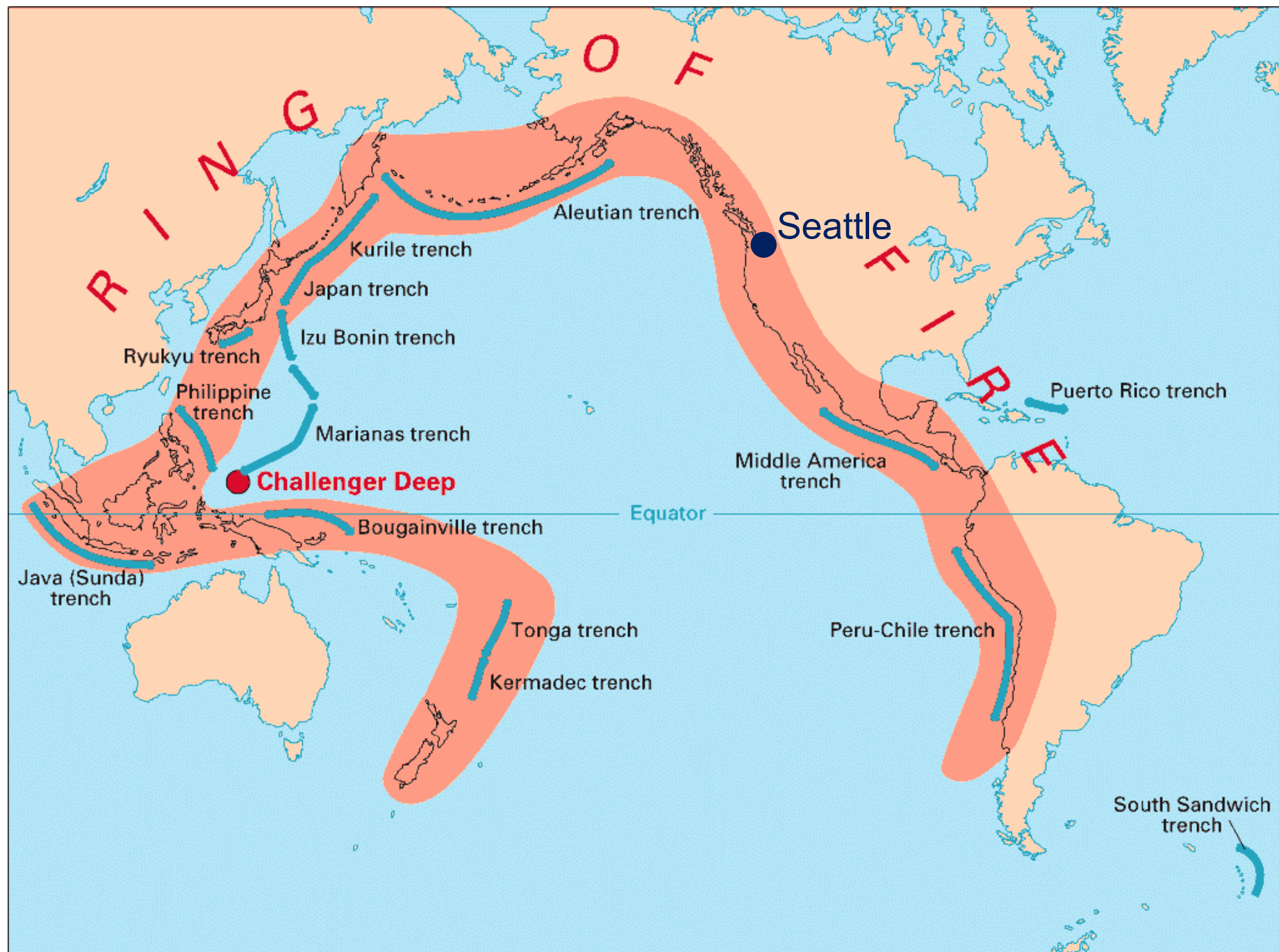




Mitigating Water System Pipeline Damage – Seattle Public Utilities Case Study

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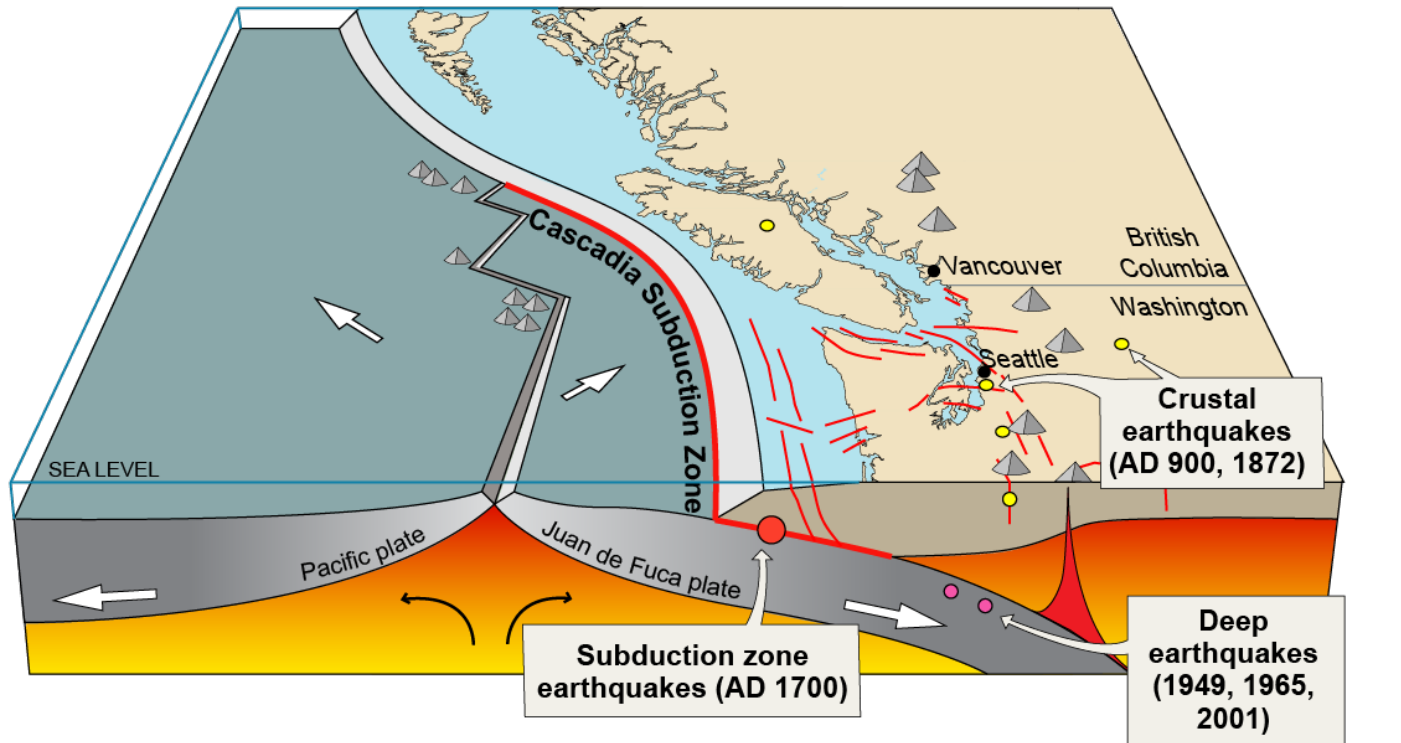


SPU System Overview

- Population Served: 1,400,000
- Average Daily Demand: 120 Million Gallons Per Day (450,000 Cubic Meters)
- Pipelines
 - Transmission: 200 Miles (350 Kilometers)
 - Distribution: 1700 Miles (2700 Kilometers)
- Storage Capacity – 300 Million Gallons (1,100,000 Cubic Meters)
- 16 Distribution System and 15 Transmission System Pump Stations

Pacific Northwest Earthquake Sources

(Washington State Department of Natural Resources and USGS)



Source	Max. Size	Recurrence
● Subduction zone	M 9+	200–600 years
● Deep Juan de Fuca plate	M 7+	30–50 years
● Crustal faults	M 7+	Hundreds of years?

- ▲ Volcano
- Active crustal fault
- Active plate boundary fault

*figure modified from USGS Cascadia earthquake graphics at <http://geomaps.wr.usgs.gov/pacnw/pacnweq/index.html>

Notable Seattle Seismic Events

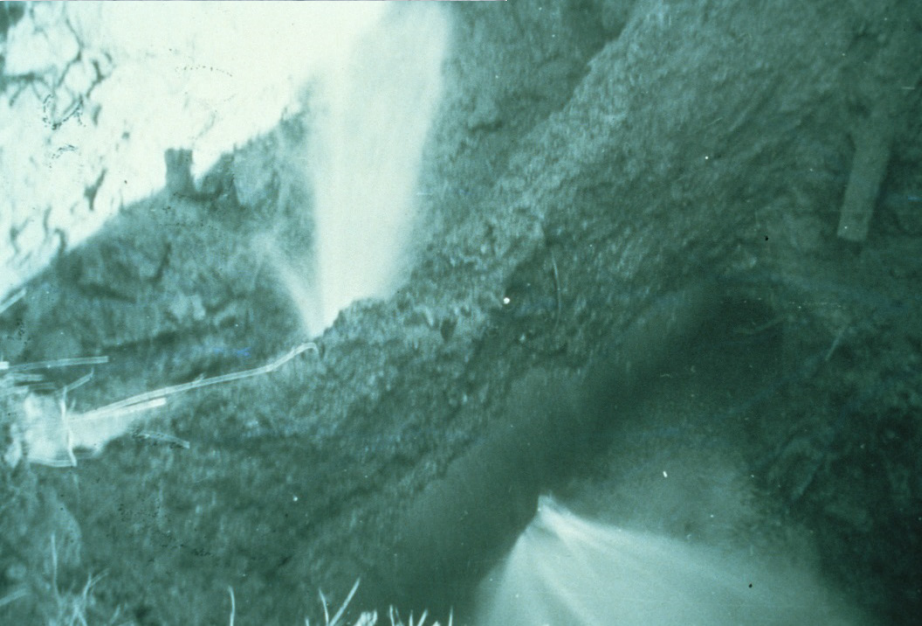
- Historic
 - 900 – 930 A.D., M7 to M7.5 Seattle Fault
 - January 26, 1700, ~ M9 Cascadia Subduction
- Recent
 - 1949, M7.1 Olympia (Intraplate)
 - 1965, M6.5 Seattle-Tacoma (Intraplate)
 - 2001, M6.8 Nisqually (Intraplate)

1965 M6.5 Seattle/Tacoma Earthquake Water System Damage



Standpipe Anchor Bolt Yielding

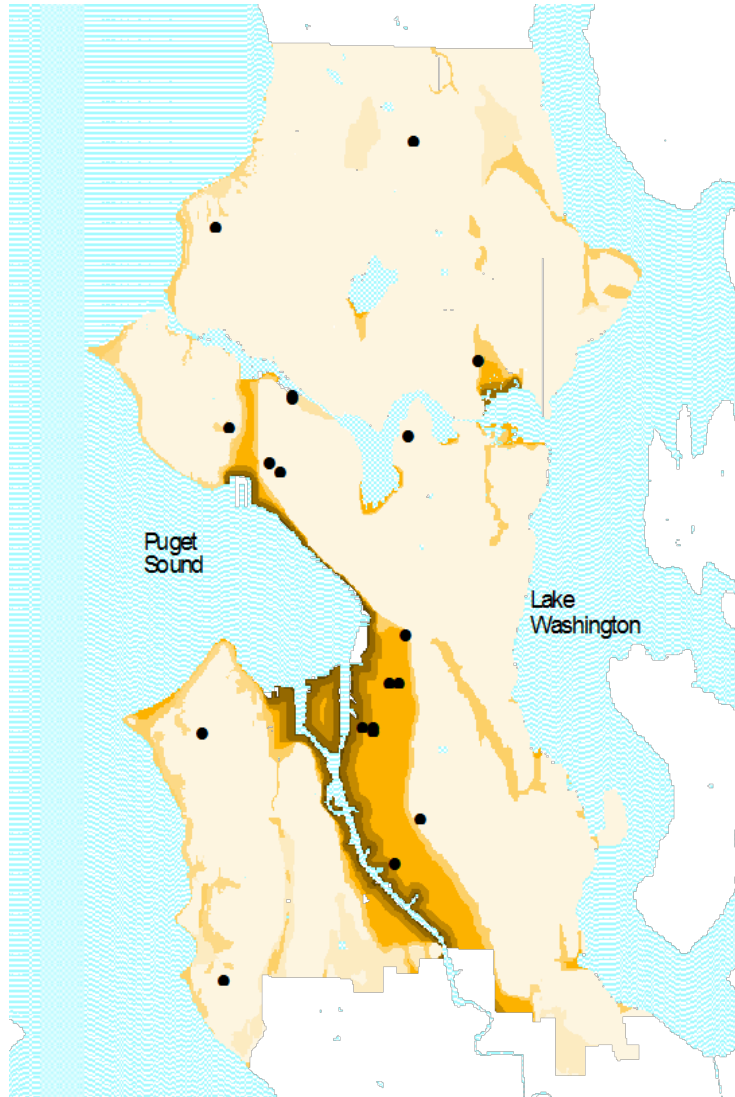
900 mm (36 inch)
Concrete Cylinder
Pipe Leak



500 mm (20 inch) Cast Iron Main Rupture



2001 M6.8 Nisqually Earthquake Water System Damage - Pipelines



Pipeline Failure Locations



Liquefaction South of Downtown

2001 M6.8 Nisqually Earthquake

Water System Damage - Miscellaneous



Minor
Crack
Dam
Crack



Warehouse Nonstructural Damage



Landslide into Reservoir

Seattle Times: September 23, 2017

The latest in a long line of efforts to reduce death and destruction from future quakes got “zero funding and no additional staff time.” Hence, earthquake drills in schools, for instance, get a higher priority rating than identifying school buildings at risk of collapse.

http://www.seattletimes.com/seattle-news/inslees-quake-group-favors-quick-fixes-over-major-upgrades/?utm_source=The+Seattle+Times&utm_campaign=... 1/9

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Inslee's quake group favors quick fixes over major upgrades | The Seattle Times

By [Sandi Doughton](#)  and [Daniel Gilbert](#) 

Seattle Times staff reporters

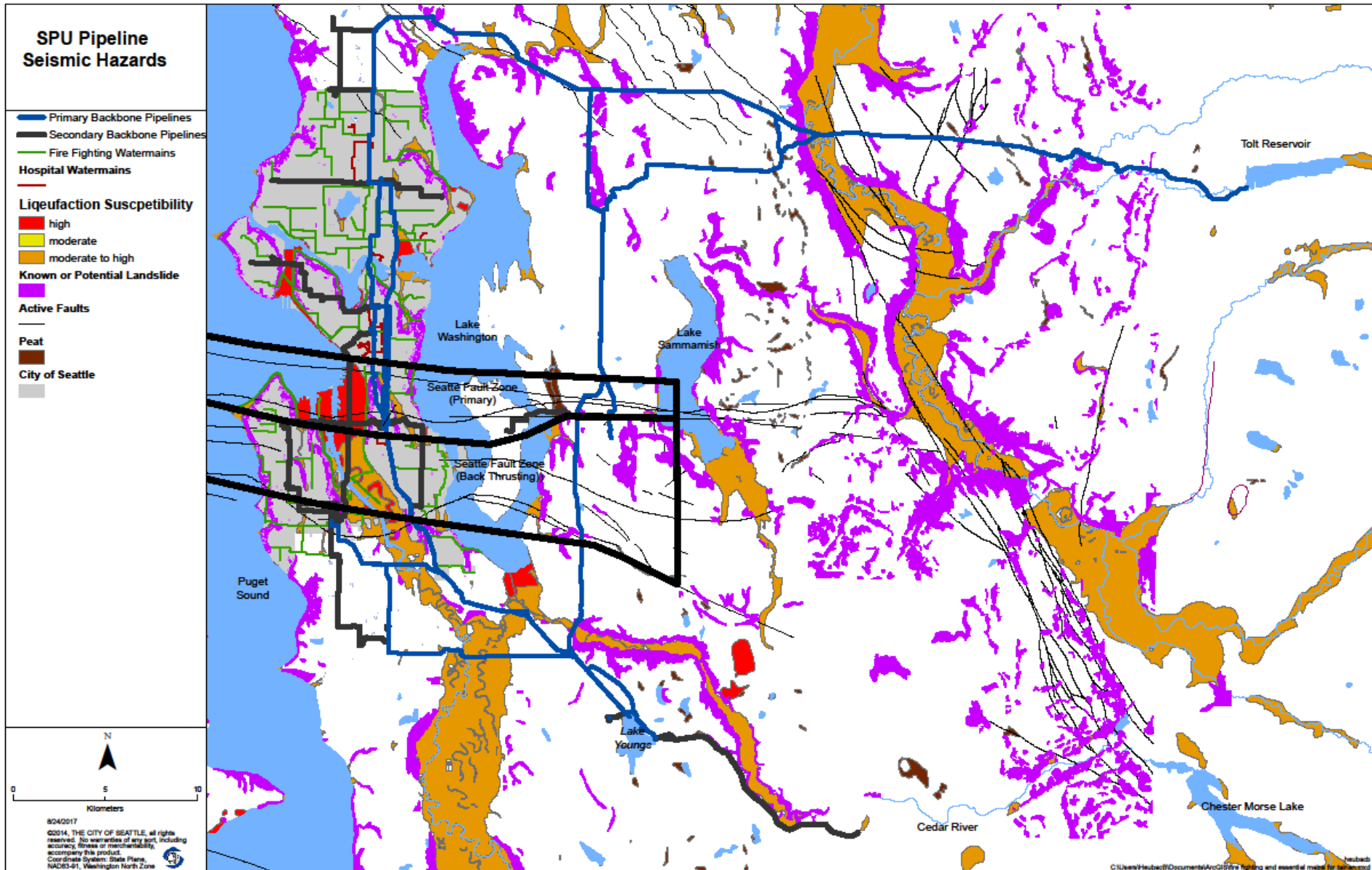
Ensure schools are seismically sound. Strengthen bridges and utilities against earthquakes. Build tsunami refuges on the coast.

Those recommendations have long topped the to-do list for protecting Washington from an inevitable, devastating quake. But they rank among the lowest priorities in a [new report to Gov. Jay Inslee](#) — because they are costly and difficult. Instead, the report from the governor's [Resilient Washington Subcabinet](#) favors actions that are easy and cheap.

SPU Seismic Program Key Elements

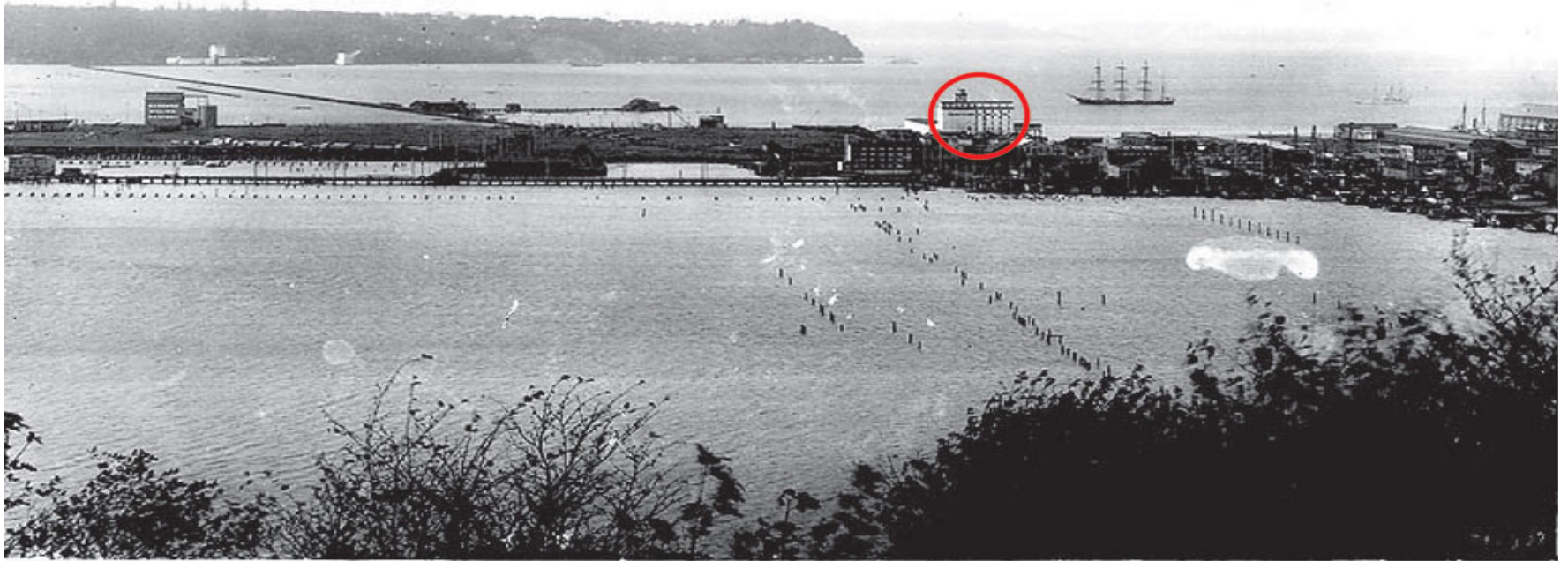
- Assess Seismic Hazards
- Update Facility Vulnerability Assessments
- System Vulnerability Assessment
- Develop Performance Goals and Pipeline Standards
- Mitigation

Seattle Public Utilities Water System Seismic Hazard Map



The Recipe for Man-Made Liquefiable Soils

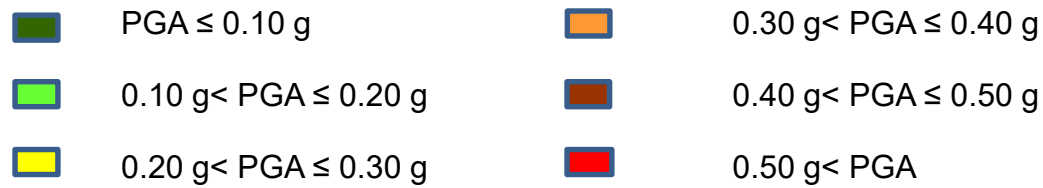
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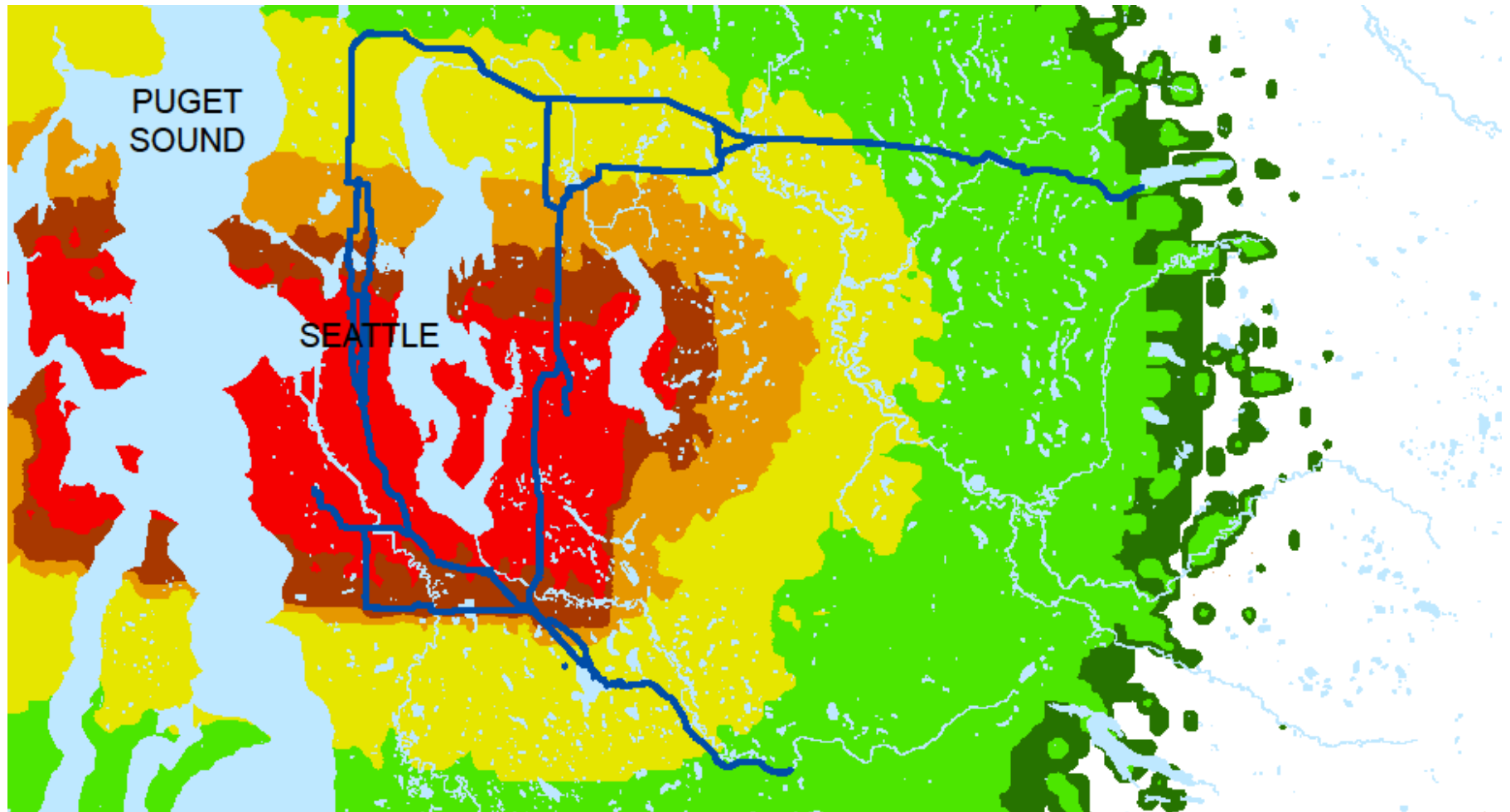
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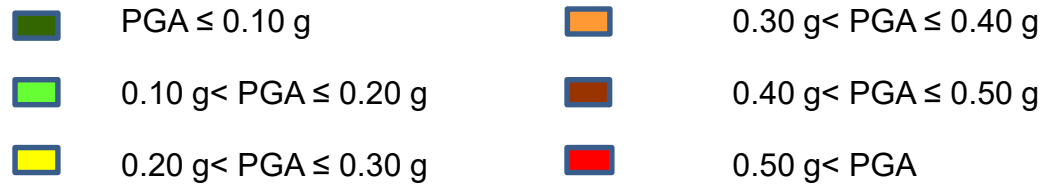
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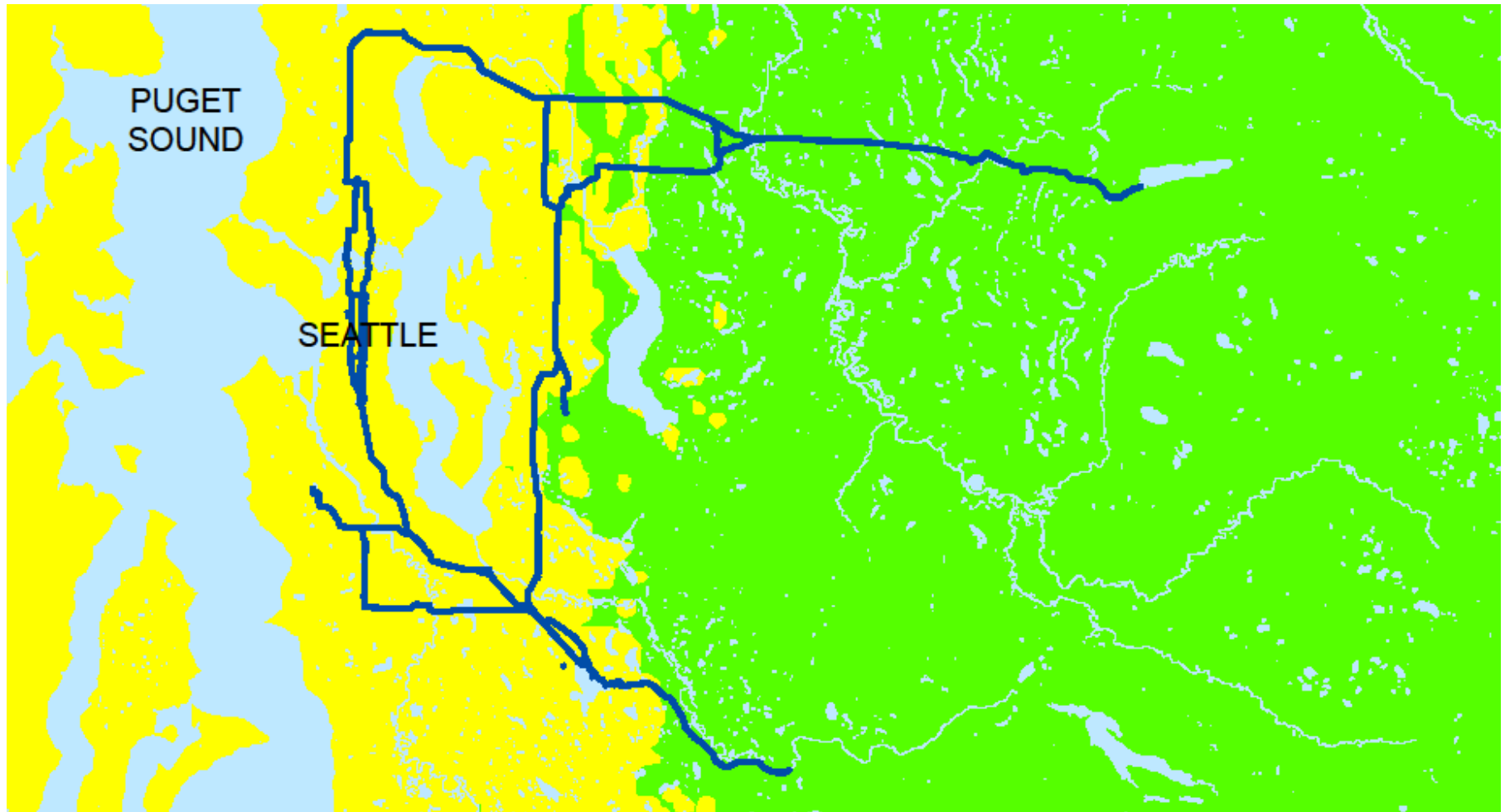
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Magnitude 9 Cascadia Subduction Zone Ground Shaking Intensity



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Vertical Liquefaction Displacement Model

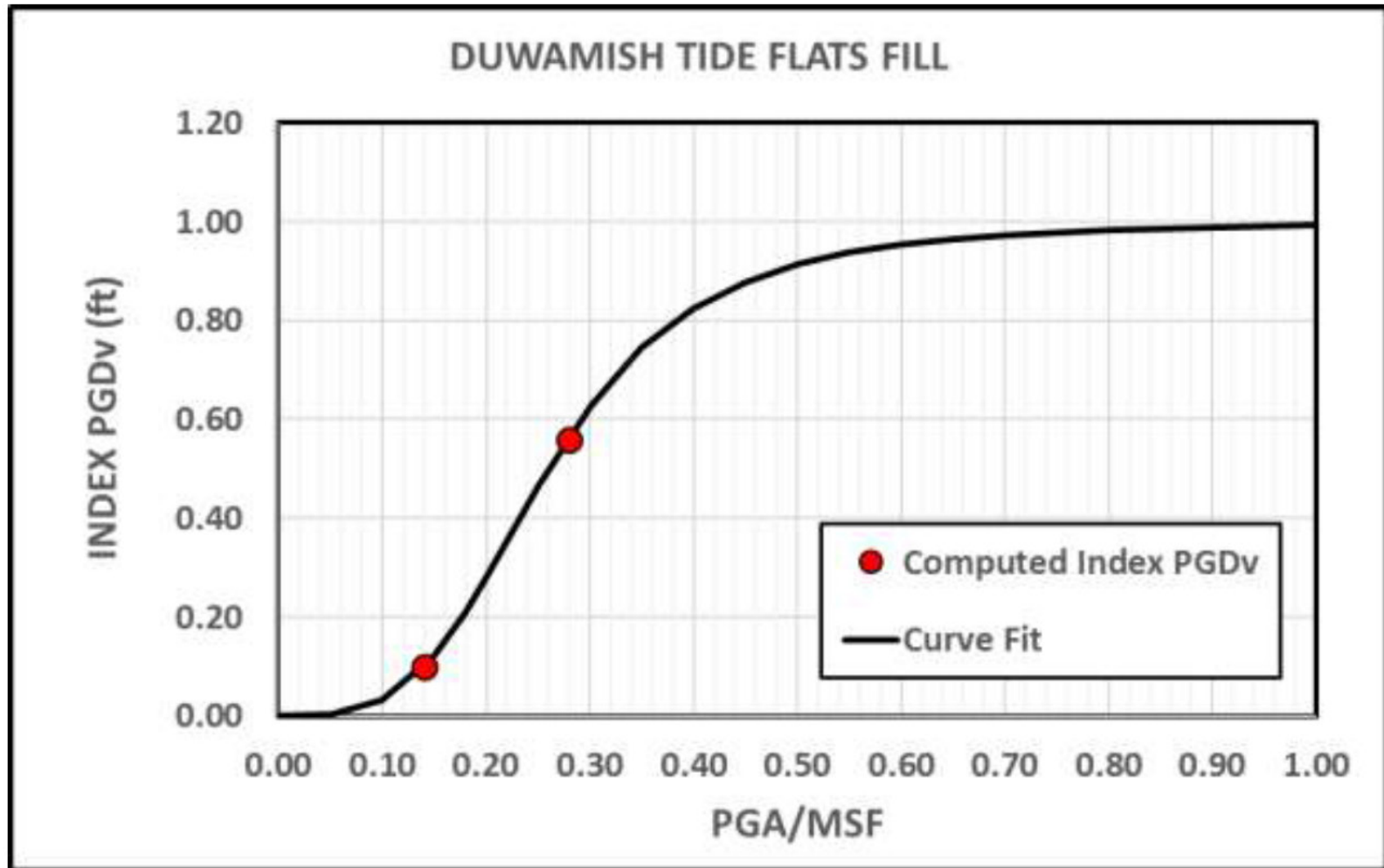


Figure 1: Trend of post-liquefaction settlement versus the duration-normalized ground motion for sandy fill placed in the Duwamish Tide Flat area.

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Horizontal Liquefaction Displacement Model

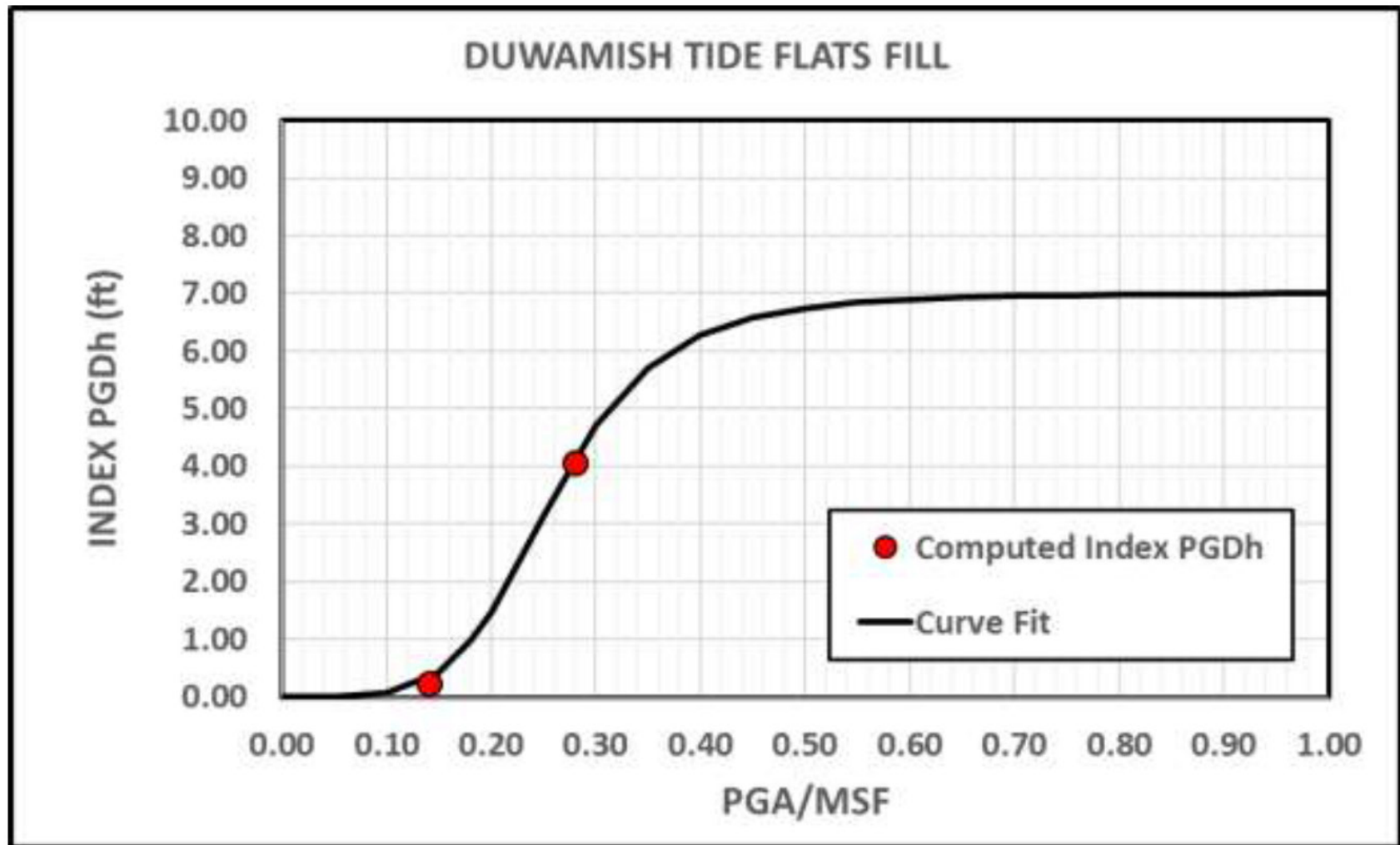
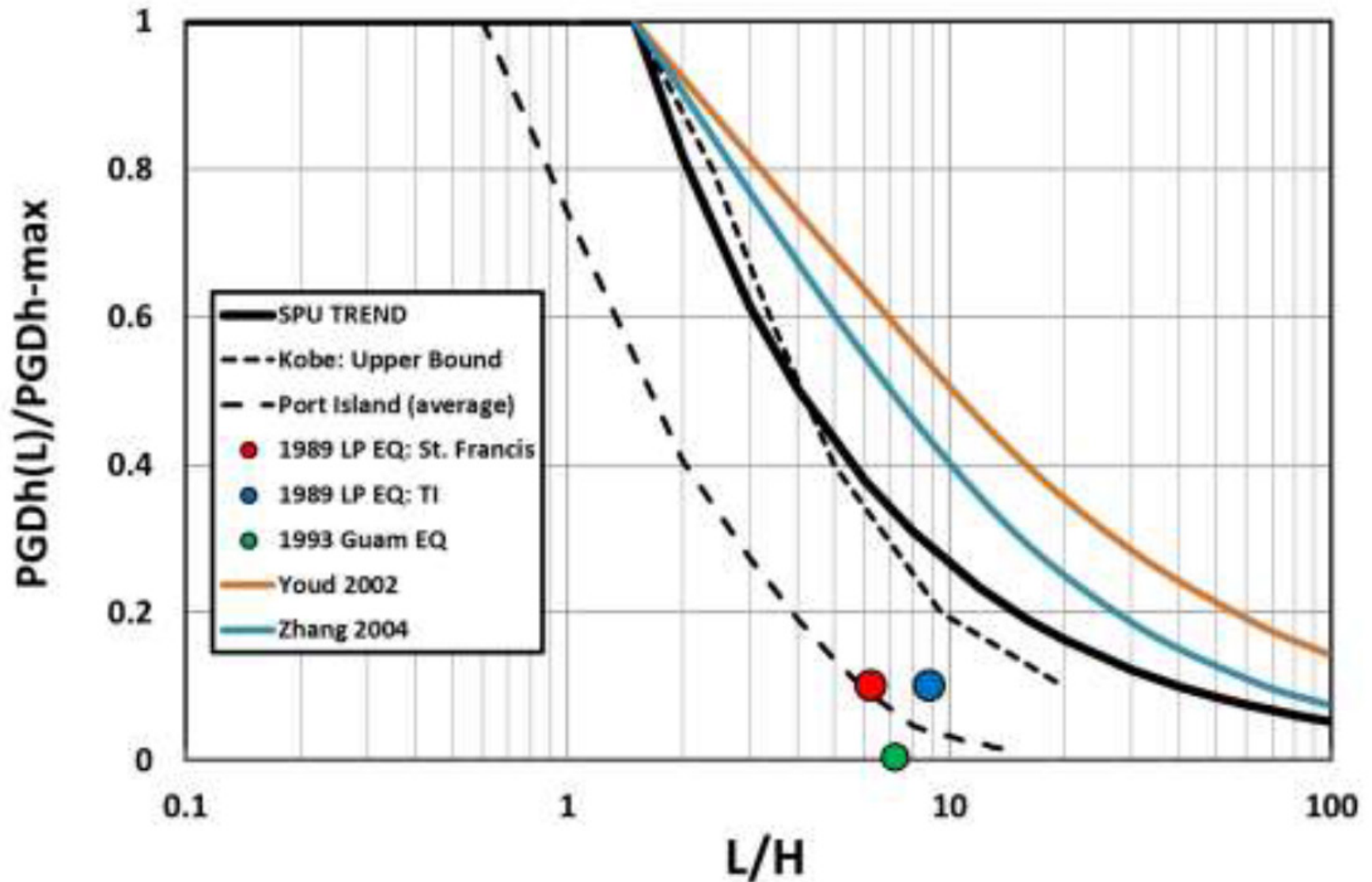


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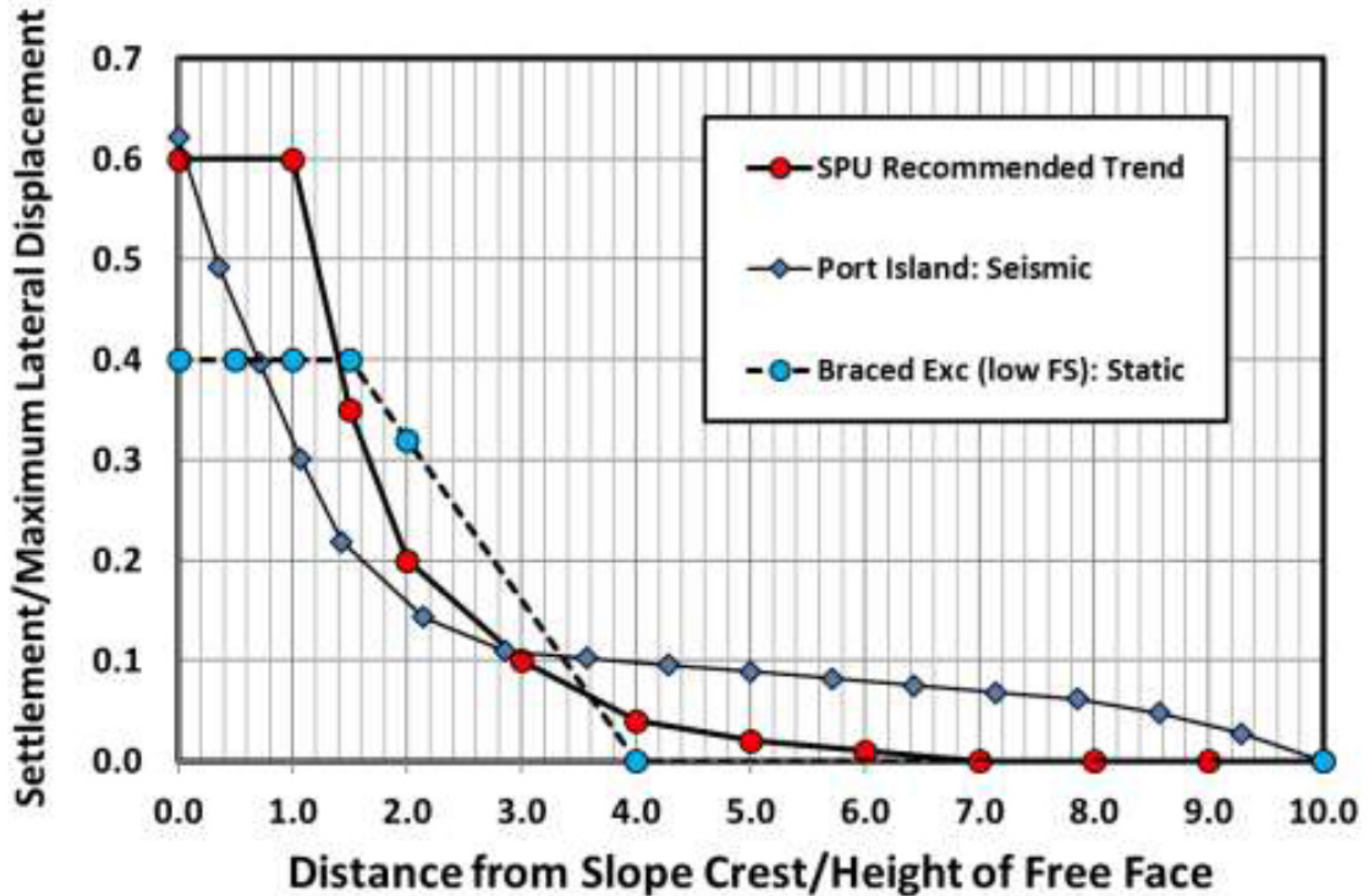
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Trends of Lateral Spread Displacement with Distance from a Free Face



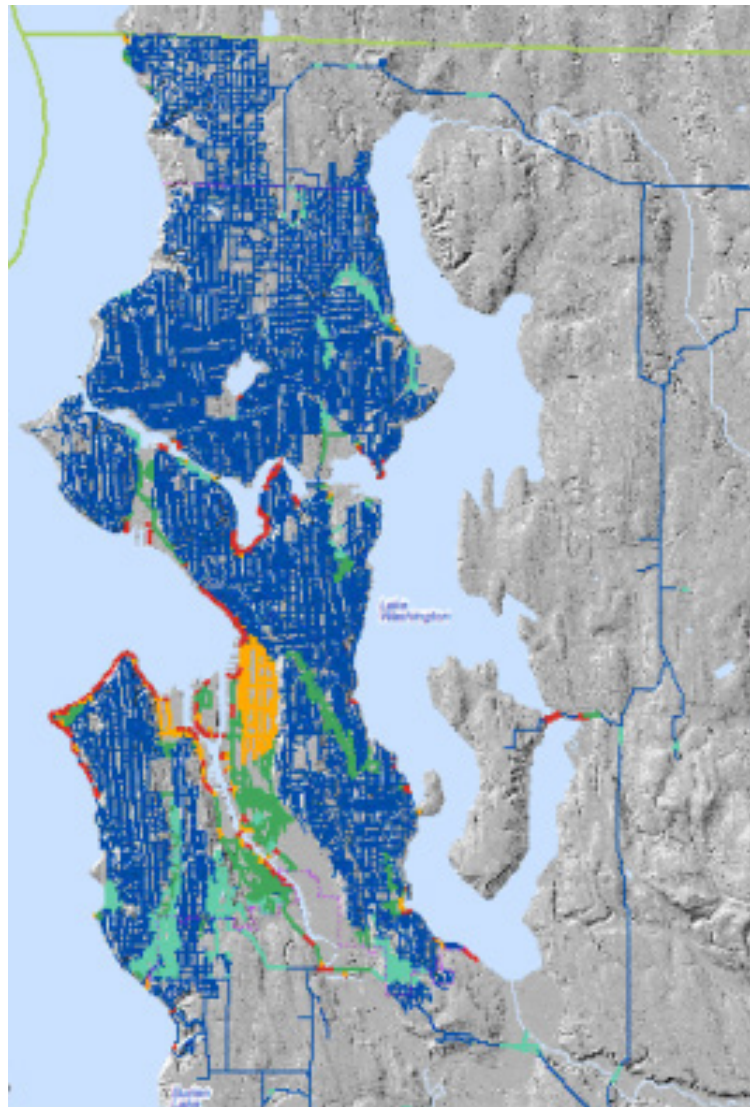
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Trend of PGDv/PGDh-max with Distance from Slope Crest

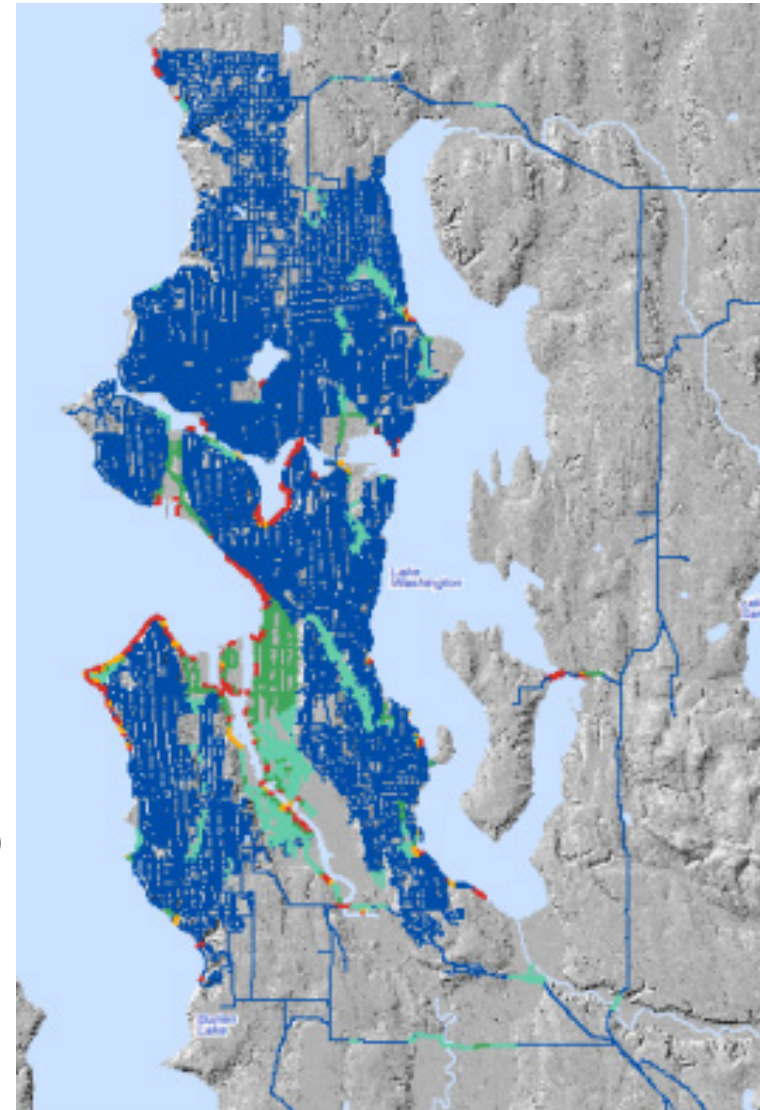
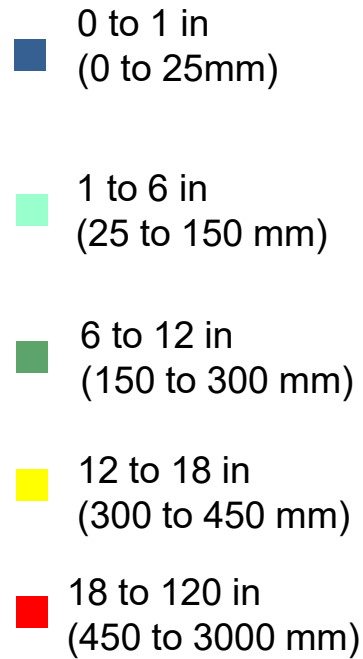


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Permanent Ground Displacement



M7 Seattle Fault Scenario



M9 Cascadia Subduction Scenario

Facility Vulnerability Assessments

- ASCE 41-13
- FEMA 154
- AWWA D-100, D-103, D-110, D-115
- ASCE 7-10
- ACI 350, 350.3



Distribution Pipeline Vulnerability Assessments – American Lifeline Alliance Models

- $RR_{PGV} = K_1 \times 0.00187 \times PGV$
- $RR_{PGD} = K_2 \times 1.06 \times PGD^{0.319}$

RR_{PGV} = number of repairs per 1000 feet (305 meters) caused by seismic wave propagation effects

K_1 = constant dependent on the pipe material and joint system

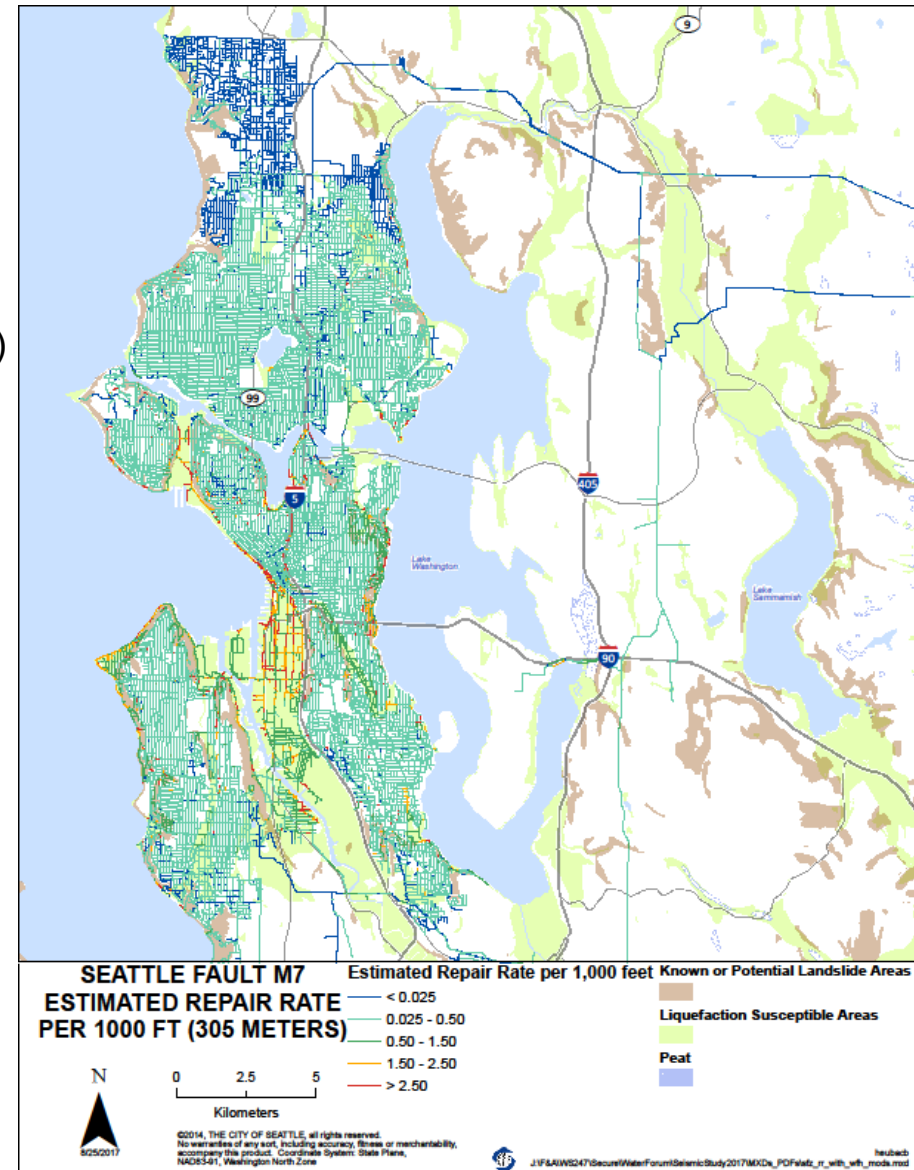
PGV = the peak ground velocity expressed in inches per second

RR_{PGD} = number of repairs per 1000 feet (305 meters) caused by permanent ground displacement effects

K_2 = constant dependent on the pipe material and joint system

PGD = the permanent ground displacement expressed in inches

K_1 and K_2 range from 0.15 for ductile pipe to 1.4 for brittle pipe



Distribution Pipeline Vulnerability Assessments

– High Level Assessment at Multiple Sites



Assessment Findings

STEEL TANKS

Beverly Park
Charleston
Control Works
Foy
Landsburg Tank
Magnolia Bluff Elevated
Myrtle Elevated No. 2
Queen Anne Standpipe
Richmond Highlands
Trenton
Volunteer Park Standpipe

BURIED AND/OR CONCRETE RESERVOIRS

Beacon
Bitter Lake
Eastside Reservoir
Lake Forest Park Reservoir
Lake Youngs Clearwells
Lincoln
Magnolia
Maple Leaf
Myrtle
Riverton Heights
Roosevelt Reservoir
Soos Reservoirs
Tolt Clearwell
View Ridge
Volunteer Park
West Seattle

PUMP STATIONS AND OTHER BUILDINGS

Augusta PS and Gatehouse
Beacon Gate House
Beacon Valve
Bitter Lake PS
Bothell Way PS
Boulevard Park Well
Broadway PS
Burien PS
Control Works
Dayton Avenue PS
Eastgate PS
Fairwood PS
First Hill
Foy
Green Lake PS
Highland Park
Interbay PS
Lake Forest Park Chlorination
Lake Forest Park PS
Lake Hills PS
Lake Youngs Pump Station
Landsburg Screen House
Landsburg Tunnel Gate House
Lincoln GH/PS
LY Treatment Operation Bldg
LY Treatment Ozone Bldg
LY Treatment Raw Water PS
LY Treatment UV and Bldg

Pressure Zone	Failures
AU550	7.02
BA484	15.70
BA484-260	2.52
BA484-270	0.46
BA484-405	0.65
BE460	47.64
BL509	12.10
DA660	0.59
FH530	1.02
MG330	39.47
MG480	16.83
MG480-260	10.12
ML430	82.58
ML550	9.28
NO326	99.25
OH510	0.41
QA530	62.38
QA580	2.62
RH550	0.00
RH590	18.17
RH590-210	0.61
RH590-290	1.85
RH590-430	1.82
RH590-434	0.03
RH590-480	0.04
SH550	2.99
SK500	10.67
SO326	1293.69

TRANSMISSION PIPELINES

Lake Youngs Aqueduct

Overall (entire alignment)

Landsburg Park

Lake Youngs Supply Line 4

Overall (entire alignment)

Lake Peterson Swamp

Unstable slope near Highway 18

Hays Creek Gravel Pit

Lake Youngs Supply Line 5

Overall (entire alignment)

Honey Creek Alluvial Area

Lake Peterson Swamp

Unstable slope near Highway 18

Lake Youngs Bypass Line 4

Overall (entire alignment)

Lake Youngs Bypass Line 5

Overall (entire alignment)

North shore of Lake Youngs

Lake Youngs Tunnel

Overall (entire alignment)

Cedar River Pipeline No. 1

Overall (entire alignment)

Molasses Creek

Ginger Creek

Renton/Black River

South Seattle liquefaction area

MLK slide areas

I-90 liquefaction area

Cedar River Pipeline No. 2/

430 Pipeline

Overall (entire alignment)

Molasses Creek

Ginger Creek

Renton/Black River

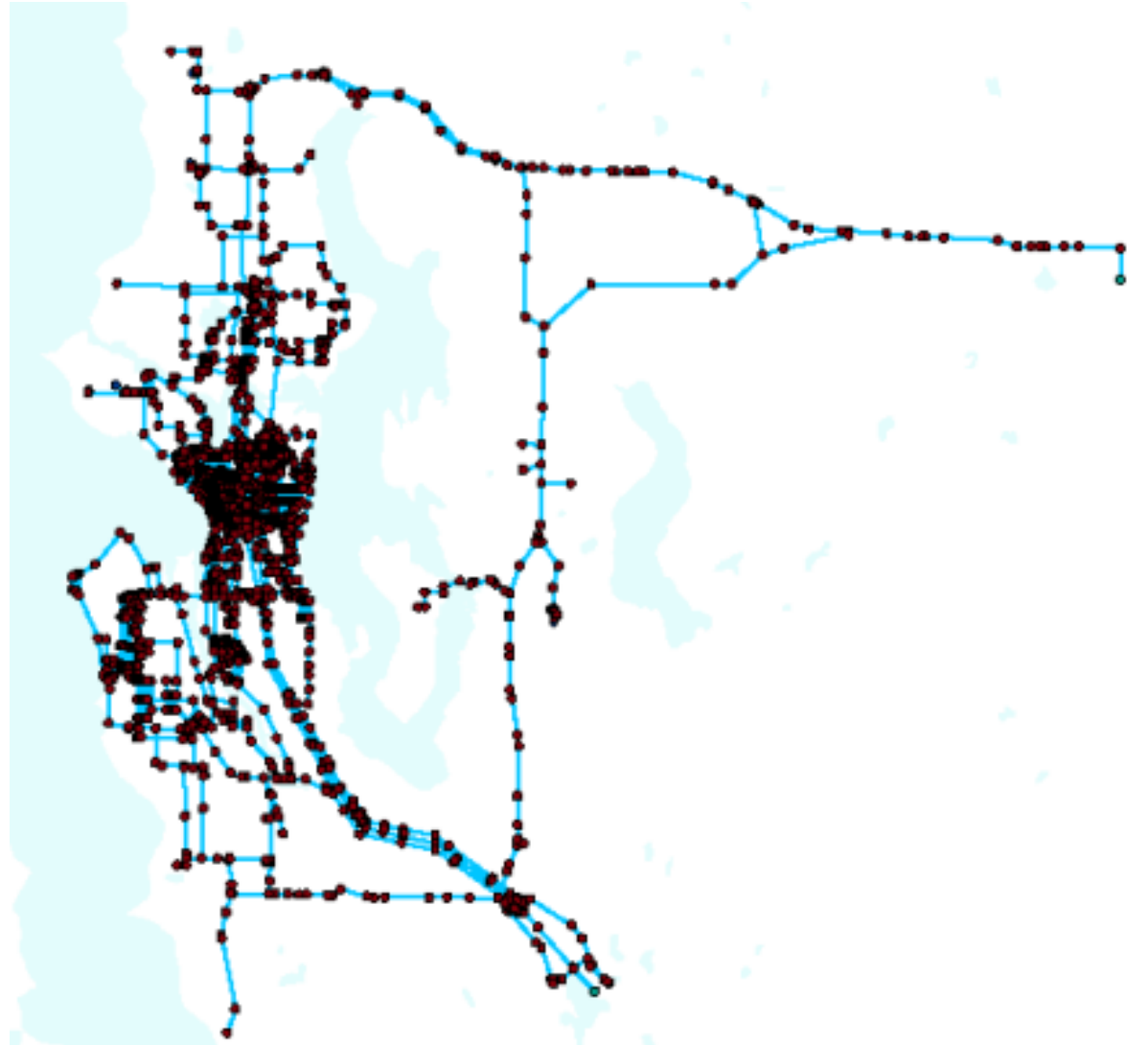
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System Assessment/Hydraulic Modeling

- “Skeletonized” EPANet System Model
- Pipeline Breaks Modeled with Emitters



Key Findings

- Pipeline Vulnerability Is the Critical Issue
 - Possible Loss of Both Major Supplies
 - Over 1000 Distribution Pipeline Breaks
- Most Large (40,000 M³, 10 MG) Reservoirs OK
- Most Pump Stations OK
- Several Highly Vulnerable “Vertical” Facilities



Mitigation

- Seismic-Resistant Transmission Pipeline (20 to 50 year time frame)
- Earthquake-Resistant Pipe (50 to 100 year time frame)
 - Pipelines Subject to Permanent Ground Displacement
 - Transmission, Backbone and Essential/Critical Pipelines
- Continuation of Critical Facility Upgrades (tanks, pump stations, etc., 20 year time frame)
- Isolation and Control (10 year time frame)
 - Reservoirs
 - Distribution System
- Emergency Preparedness and Response Planning Augmentation (10 year time frame)
 - Stockpiling Resources Needed to Respond
 - Emergency Drinking Water Supply

QUESTIONS?

