

SEISMO-WATCH

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Seismic activity was slightly reduced this week with 30 events registering greater than 1.0. The strongest earthquake measured 3.5 and occurred late Saturday evening about 3 miles northwest of Parkfield. This quake was centered in nearly the same location as a 3.9 event last October 26. The Parkfield segment of the San Andreas Fault Zone is an area where geologists have predicted a major earthquake to occur. Although this quake triggered an alert for the area, a major quake did not occur and the alert was lifted.

- A 2.9 quake with a few tremors occurred on the east side of the Santa Clara Valley near Gilroy.
- On Thursday, March 11, a 2.6 quake was recorded east of Salinas near Bluerock Mountain.
- A minor 2.6 event occurred southeast of Coalinga in the Kettleman Hill and a weak 2.0 was measured near Huron in the San Joaquin Valley.
- A minor 2.0 tremor occurred along the central San Andreas Fault Zone south of San Benito. Minor activity was also measured west of Tres Pinos. Two small tremors occurred in Scotts Valley.

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