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Brief Central California Earthquake Report

March 22 - 28, 2001

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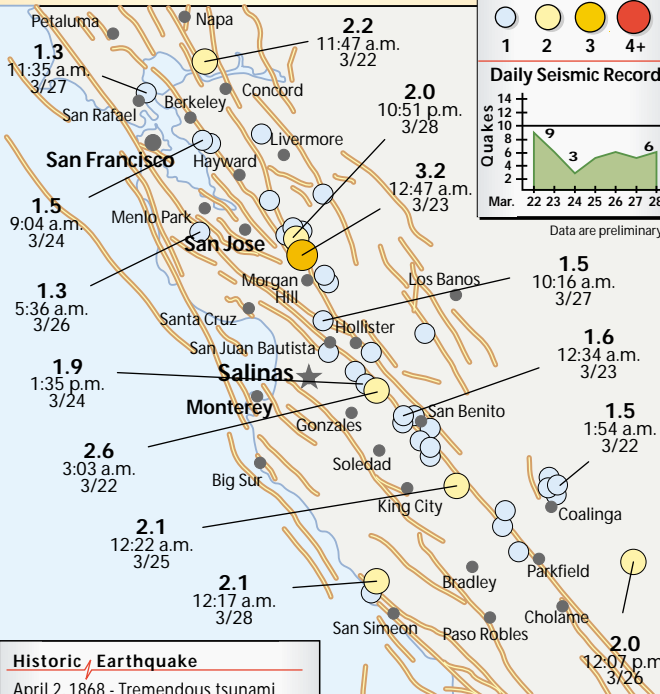
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Magnitude M \geq 1	1	2	3+	Total
This Week	33	6	1	40
Previous week	47	2	1	50

▼ The number of seismic events in Central California declined, falling by ten quakes and to the lower 40 eq/wk mark. Not since the last week of January, eight weeks ago, has seismicity been this light. The intensity of seismicity remained about the same as seven tremors measured M2.0 or stronger, including one in the M3 range.

▼ The largest earthquake measured M3.2 and occurred at 12:47 a.m. Friday, March 23 in Santa Clara County near Morgan Hill. It was centered along the Calaveras Fault just as it extends northwest-ward from Santa Clara Valley and separates the Los Buellis Hills from the Diablo Range near Mt. Hamilton. Seismicity along this section of the fault has been elevated this year, already producing 88 quakes including a couple M3s and one as large as M4.4 on February 25. This week's M3.2 event was a single jolt and did not produce any aftershocks. A few miles to the north and at the epicenter of the February 25 M4.4 earthquake was a series of four quakes, the largest of which measured M2.0.

▼ Two of the sixteen quakes between San Juan Bautista and Parkfield were M2s.

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