



**Geo-engineering Extreme Events Reconnaissance**

*Turning Disaster into Knowledge*

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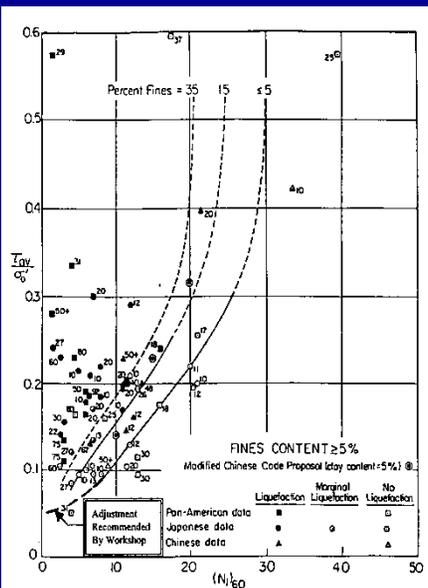
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# NEED

Geo-engineering is an experience-driven field.

The importance of detailed mapping and surveying of damaged areas relative to general surveys cannot be overemphasized.

They provide the hard data of the well-documented case histories that drive the development of many of the empirical procedures used in practice and shape our understanding.



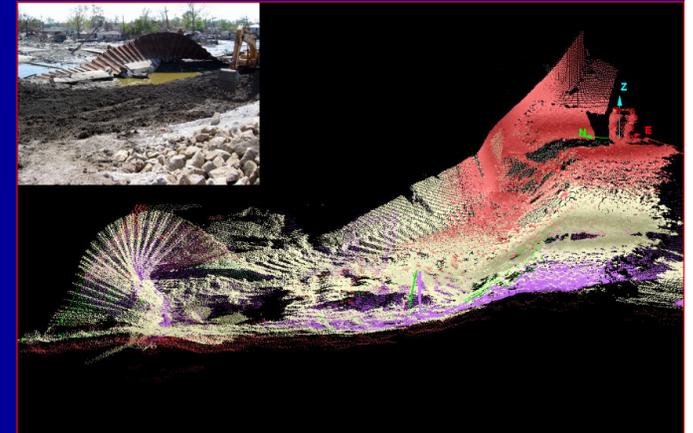
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# OBJECTIVES

GEER has developed an effective approach to conducting NSF-sponsored post-events reconnaissance.

Continue to develop and implement new technologies

Document the geo-engineering effects of extreme events to advance the profession's understanding





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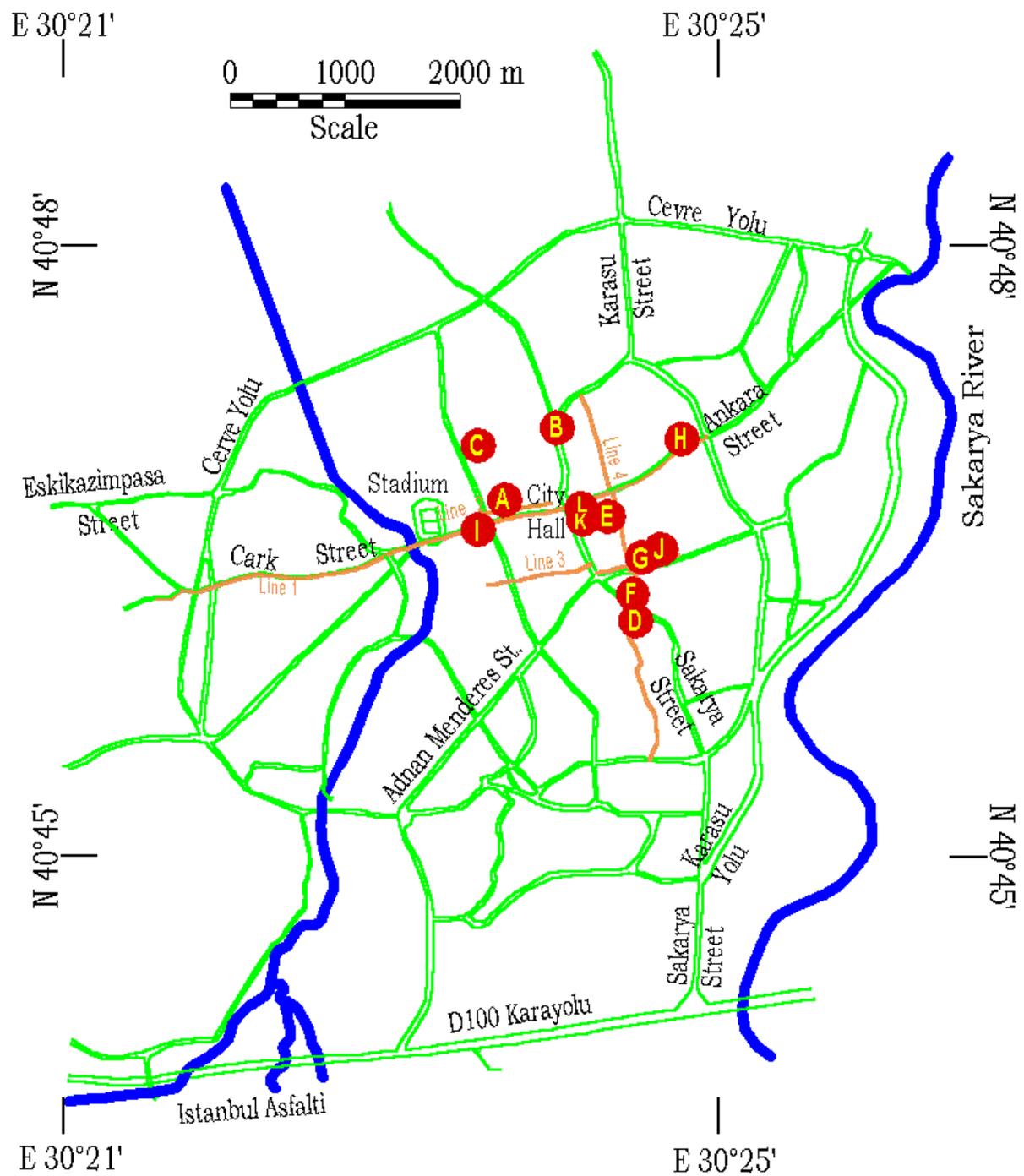
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## NSF-Sponsored Geotechnical Engineering Reconnaissance

- 1999 Kocaeli, Turkey EQ (Ansal et al. 1999)
- 1999 Chi-Chi, Taiwan EQ (Abrahamson et al. 2001)
- 1999 Duzce, Turkey EQ (Ansal et al. 1999)
- 2001 Bhuj, India EQ (Jain et al. 2002)
- 2001 Nisqually EQ (Bray et al. 2001)
- 2001 Southern Peru EQ (Wartman et al. 2002)
- 2002 Denali EQ (Kayen et al. 2003)
- 2003 Tecoman, Mexico EQ (Wartman et al. 2003)
- 2004 Niigata-ken Chuetsu, Japan EQ (Bardet et al. 2004)
- 2006 Island of Hawaii, EQ (Medley 2006)
- 2007 Niigata-Chuetsu Oki, Japan EQ (Kayen et al. 2007)
- 2007 Ica-Pisco, Peru EQ (Rodriguez-Marek et al. 2007)
- 2008** Sichuan, China EQ (Frost et al. 2009)
- 2008** Achaia-Ilia, Greece EQ (Margaris et al. 2008)
- 2008** Iwate-Miyagi Nairiku, Japan EQ (Kayen et al. 2008)
- 2008** Hurricanes Gustav & Ike, U.S. (Wooten et al. 2009)
- 2009** L'Aquila, Italy (Stewart et al. 2009)

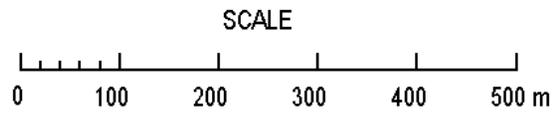
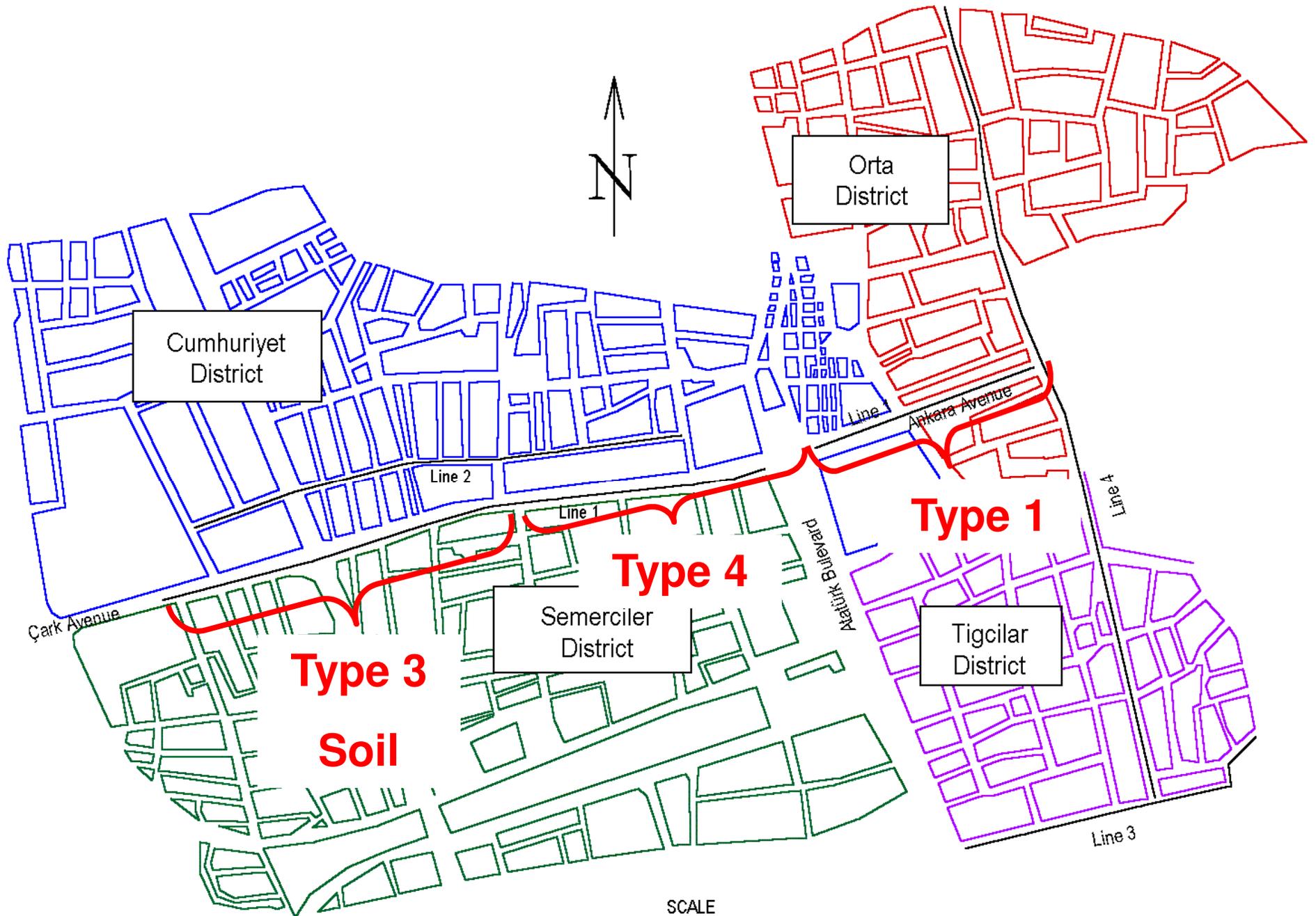


**1999 Kocaeli Earthquake:** A. Ansal, N. Abrahamson, J. Bachuber, J. P. Bardet, A. Barka, M. Baturay, M. Berilgen, R. Boulanger, J. Bray, O. Cetin, L. Cluff, T. Durgunoglu, D. Erten, M. Erdik, D. Frost, I. M. Idriss, T. Karadayilar, A. Kaya, W. Lettis, J. Martin, J. Mitchell, G. Olgun, A. Onalp, T. O'Rourke, W. Paige, E. Rathje, C. Roblee, R. Sancio, W. Savage, R. Seed, P. Somerville, J. Stewart, B. Sunman, B. Swan, C. Synolakis, S. Toprak, D. Ural, R. Witter, M. Yashinski, T. Yilmaz, L. Youd

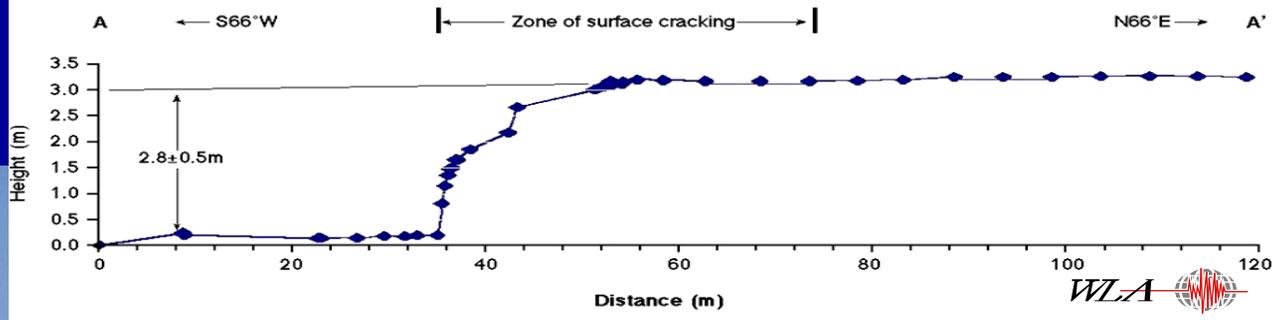


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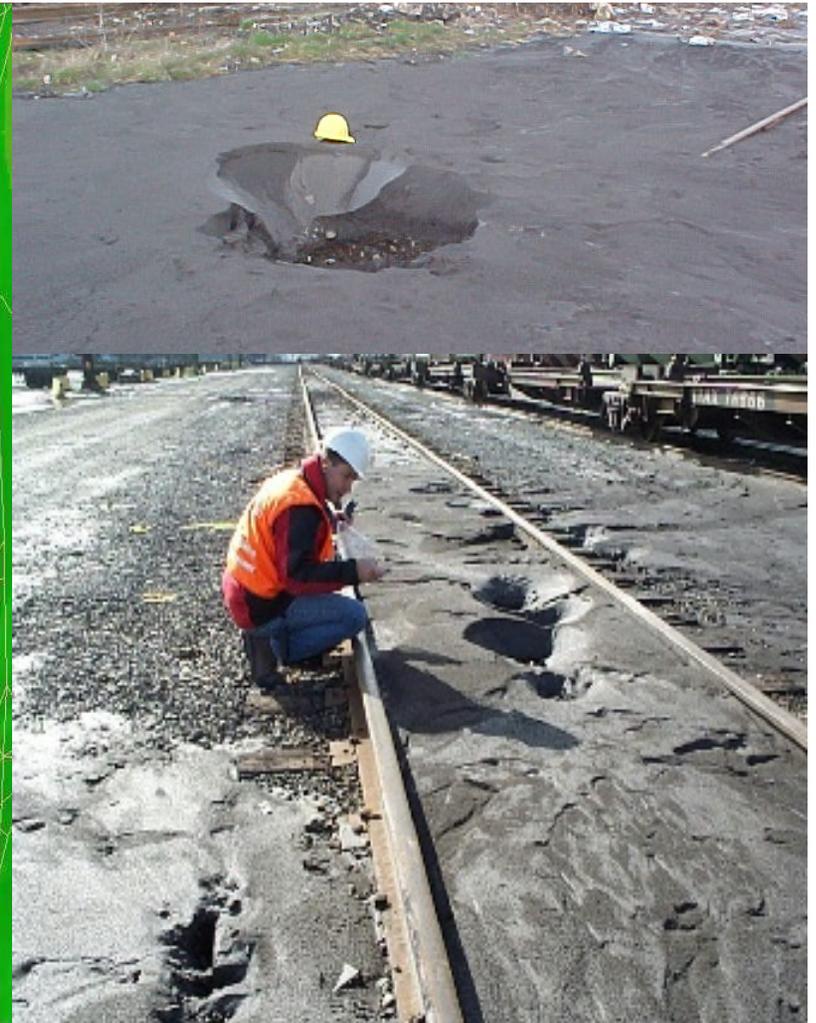
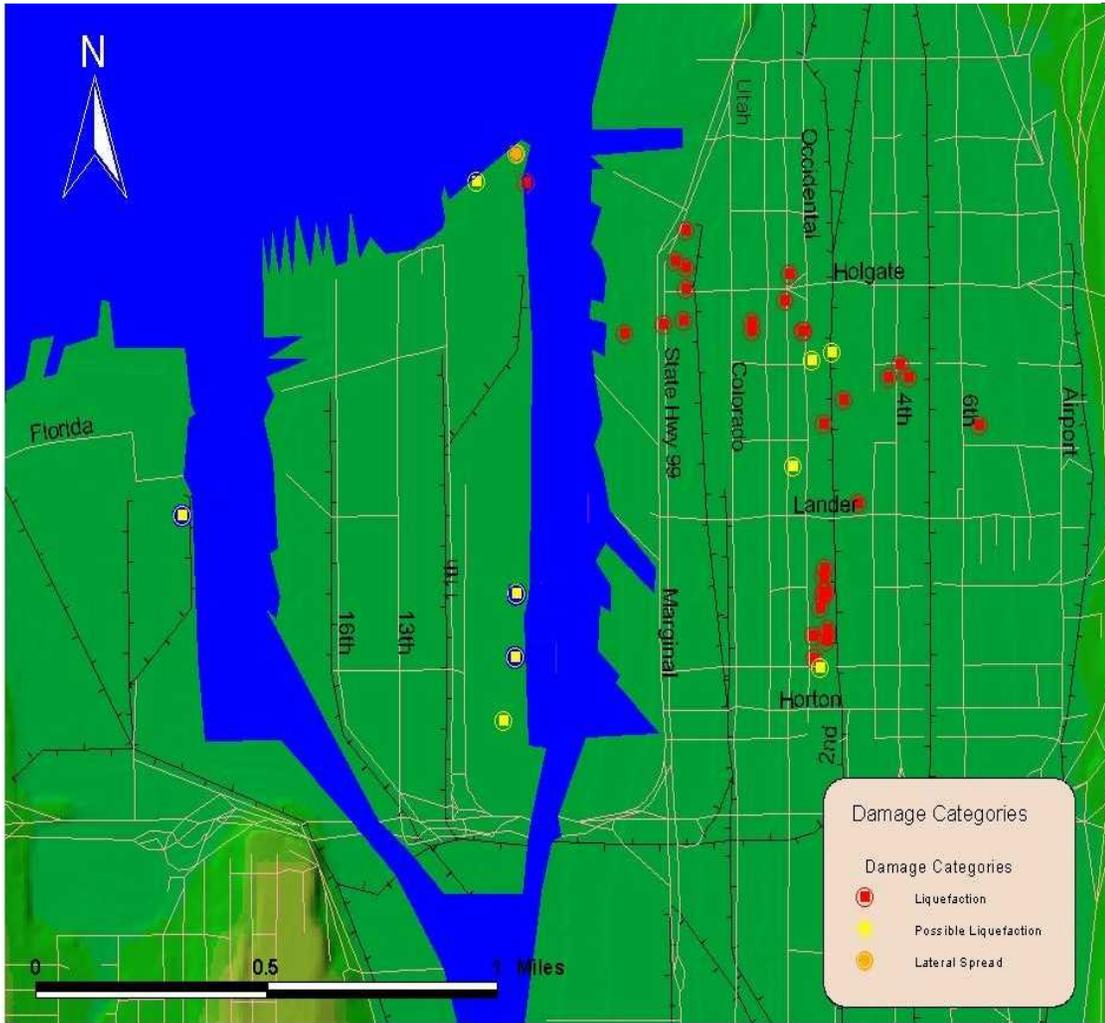
Post-EQs  
Surveys







**1999 Chi-Chi EQ:** N. Abrahamson, J. P. Bardet, R. Boulanger, J.D. Bray, Y.-W. Chan, C.-Y. Chang, S. Chang, C.-H. Chen, L. Cluff, L. Harder, A-B. Huang, S. Huang, J.W. Ju, K. Kelson, S. Kieffer, S. Kramer, M.-J. Kuo, W. F. Lee, H-L. Lin, C-H. Loh, M. McRae, C-Y. Ou, W. Perkins, G. Rix, C. Roblee, R.B. Seed, J.-D. Shen, N. Sitar, J. Stewart, L. Teng, J. I. Sun, D. Wells, R. Wright and M. Yashinsky



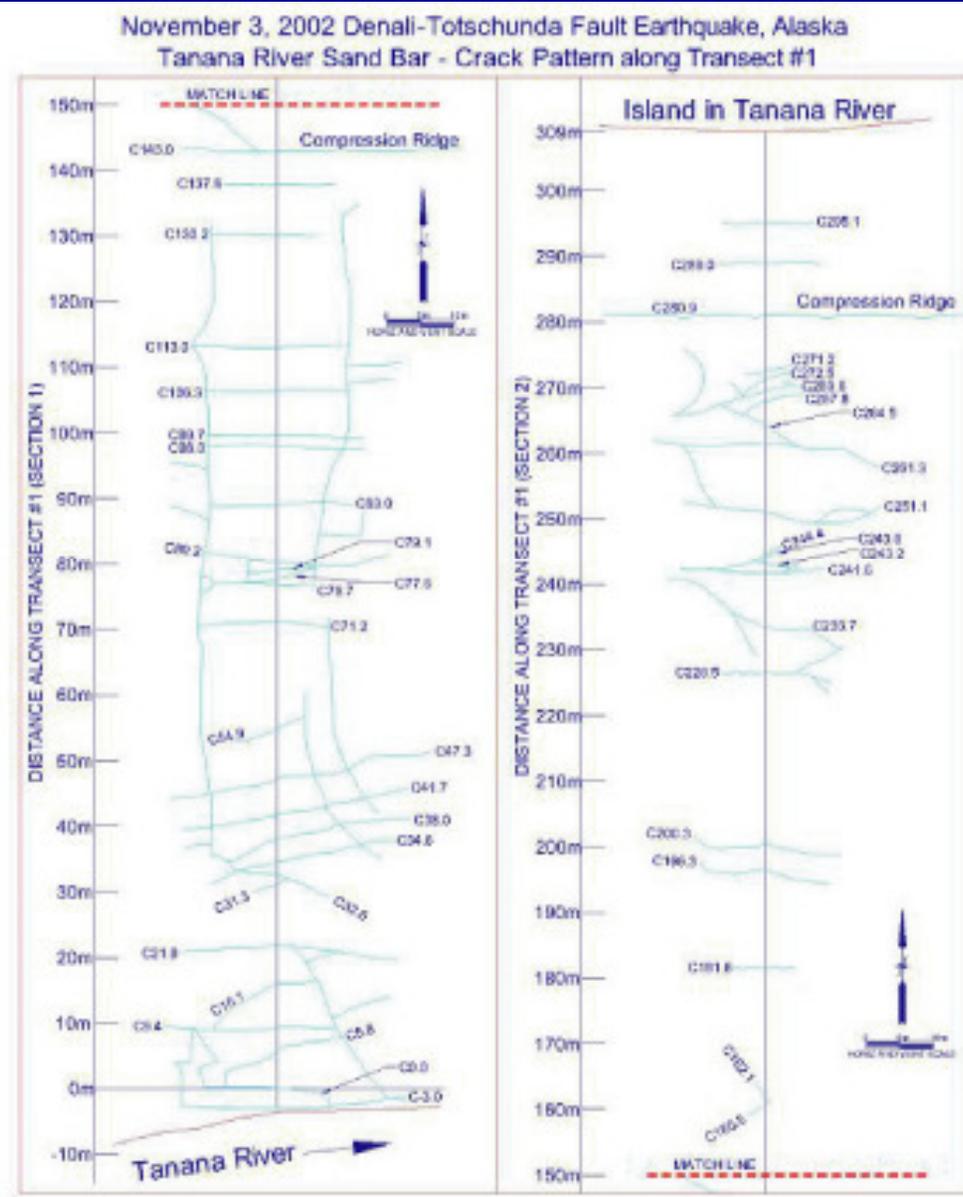
**2001 Nisqually EQ:** J. Bray, R. Sancio, A. Kammerer, S. Merry, A. Rodriguez-Marek, B. Khazai, S. Chang, A. Bastani, B. Collins, E. Hausler, D. Dreger, W. Perkins, & M. Nykamp; with J. Arnold, D. Booth, W. P. Grant, J. Hagedorn, M. Hamm, J. Hubbell, R. Hudson, S. Kramer, R. Mitchell, B. Muhunthan, S. Palmer, M. Vendetti, M. Wallinger, B. Topolski, K. Troost

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# 2002 Denali Earthquake: Detailed Surveying



DGPS & Line-drawn mapping of polygon-shaped lateral spreads: 1.6%-3.8% shear strain toward Tanana river



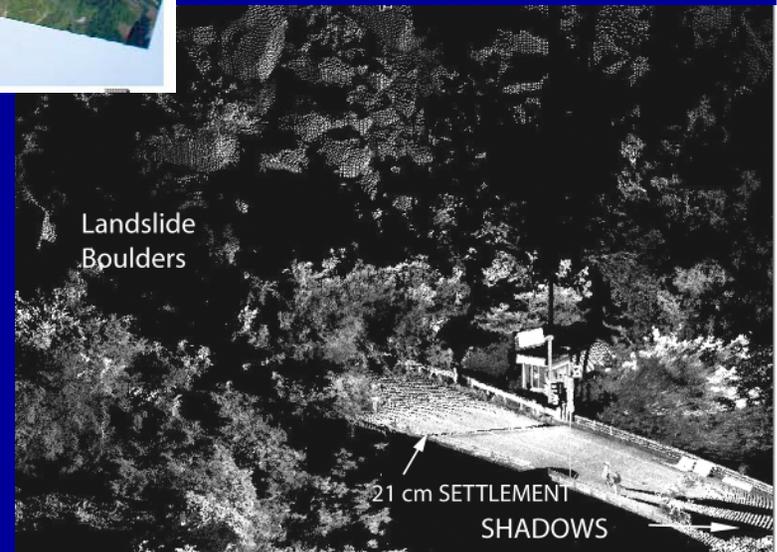
Mapped by Sitar, Kayen, Collins, and others

# 2008 & 2004 Japan EQs: Remote and Advanced Sensing



LiDAR:  
Rathje et al. 2004

Remote Sensing: Kayen et al. 2008



## GEER Research Accomplishments

1. Use of new technologies for reconnaissance
2. Use of existing technologies in an improved coordinated manner to document performance
3. Better training of those involved in reconnaissance efforts, both in terms of effectiveness and safety; provide access to equipment required for state-of-the-art surveying
4. Timely and accurate results for the post-EQ survey efforts in terms of web-based short reports, data files, and final reports
5. A systematic mechanism for geo-engineers to respond effectively to extreme events through NSF support

## SOME KEY ISSUES

### - Opportunities and Challenges:

- Coordination with EERI-LFE, USGS, ASCE, USACE, and other organizations
- Advanced reconnaissance tools: LiDAR, GIS integration, GoogleEarth, GPS/video/picture, satellite and remote sensing, digital topographic and geologic maps, & electronic collection
- Role of the practitioner
- Rapid dissemination of post-event reconnaissance data
- Development of quantitative data
- Systematic collection and archiving of post-event data
- GEER response plan and funding
- Site access
- ***Multi-hazards***