Cat Alert:

California Earthquake

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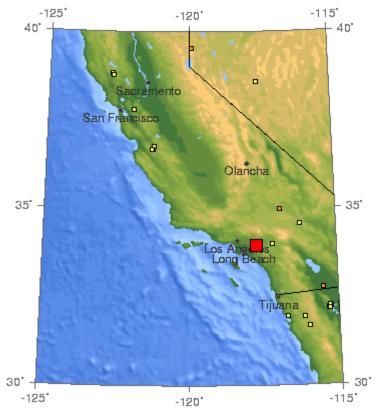


Magnitude 5.8 quake shakes southern California

A moderate earthquake rattled southern California less than an hour ago, with local residents reporting a rolling motion. A graphic of the earthquake's epicenter from the USGS is shown here.

The magnitude 5.8 quake was centered two miles (three kilometers) southwest of Chino Hills, California, or 29 miles (47 kilometers) east-southeast of downtown Los Angeles at 1:42 pm CDT (11:42 am PDT). The quake occurred 12.3 kilometers below the earth's surface. No immediate reports of damage have surfaced, but buildings reportedly swayed in downtown Los Angeles. The quake was reportedly felt in San Diego and slightly in Las Vegas. At least five aftershocks have occurred in the last 15 minutes ranging from magnitude 2.7 to magnitude 3.8.

Further details will be included in this week's Weekly Cat Report to be released on Friday unless reports of major damage come into news agencies.



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