## Geologic hazards issues in Kentucky

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### Geologic hazards

• Seismic hazards

• Landslides

• Sinkholes (Water Section)

• Others

Where is the highest seismic hazard or design requirement in the Continent US?

### NEHRP 0.2 sec Spectral Response Acceleration for the U.S. (2% PE in 50 yrs.) – the USGS hazard map



(2009 NEHRP Provisions)

#### ASCE\_7-10 Design Ground Motion









100 0 100 200 300 400 500 Kilometers T. 200 ------ 100 ------ 60 -- 25 ----- 25 ---as with a constant sp ne acceleration of 150% f gravity. Hachares point  $\square$ 

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500 Miles

of gravity

Figure 22-1 Ss Risk-Targeted Maximum Considered Earthquake (MCER) Ground Motion Parameter for the Conterminous United States for 0.2 s Spectral Response Acceleration (5% of Critical Damping), Site Class B.

### **Development of NEHRP Provisions**



#### **Click on Station to see current Seismic Recordings**

#### **Kentucky Seismic and Strong-Motion Network**



http://www.uky.edu/KGS/geologichazards/equake3.htm



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#### EarthScope – Largest Research Project in Earth Science (NSF)



We are working with OIINK group (IU, Purdue, UIUC, IGS, ISGS)

#### http://earthquake.usgs.gov/hazards/



USGS is updating the seismic hazard maps – draft maps are due June 2013 (10 to 50% reduction for the NMSZ)

## Landslide Hazard





## Landslide Information Map Service



- Known landslide locations
- Areas susceptible to debris flows
- Landslides located from LiDAR and aerial photography
- LiDAR hillshade layer (where available)



## Landslide Hazard Research











#### A Citizen's Guide to Unstable Slopes in the Greater Cincinnati Area

April 9, 2013 version Ohio Indiana Study Kentucky Cincinnati

Paul E. Potter, Mark Bowers, J. Barry Maynard, Matthew M. Crawford, Gerald A. Weisenfluh, and Tim Agnello. Joint landslide publication with the University of Cincinnati, Indiana Geological Survey, and Ohio Geological Survey

The Kope and Its Problems



# Question?

## Comment?

# Suggestion?