

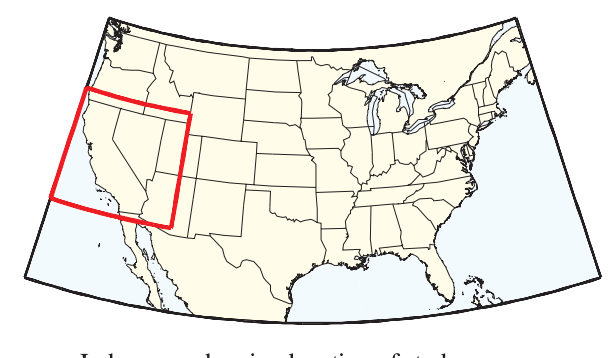
**Explanation**

%g	400
	320
	240
	160
	120
	100
	80
	60
	40
	36
	32
	28
	24
	20
	16
	12
	8
	4
	0

+ 6.2 Point value of spectral response acceleration expressed as a percent of gravity

— 10 — Contour of spectral response acceleration expressed as a percent of gravity

Note: contours are irregularly spaced



Index map showing location of study area

**DISCUSSION**

The acceleration values contoured are the random horizontal component. Reference site condition is firm rock, defined as having an average shear-wave velocity of 760 m/sec in the top 30 meters, corresponding to the boundary between NEHRP site classes B and C.

In some situations, particularly in areas of high ground-motions (e.g., along the San Andreas Fault) there are discontinuous chains, or islands, of high ground-motion values. This is an artifact of the grid spacing used in the calculations. In most cases these chains should be replaced with continuous bands of high ground-motion values enclosing the chains.

Documentation, gridded values, and ARC/INFO coverages used to make the maps are available at <http://geohazards.cr.usgs.gov/>

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MAP I - HORIZONTAL SPECTRAL RESPONSE ACCELERATION FOR 0.3 SECOND PERIOD (5% OF CRITICAL DAMPING)  
WITH 2% PROBABILITY OF EXCEEDANCE IN 50 YEARS**

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