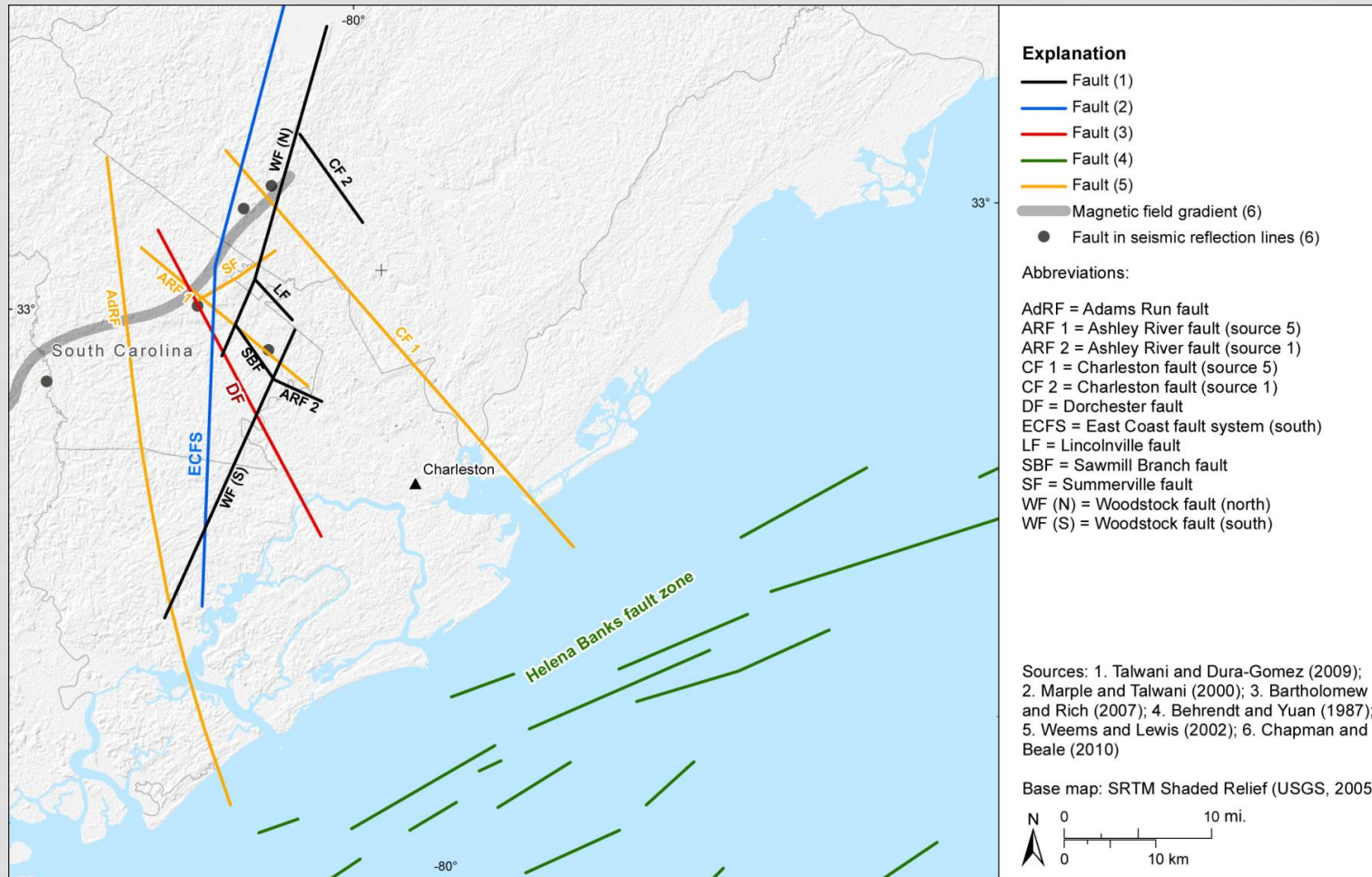


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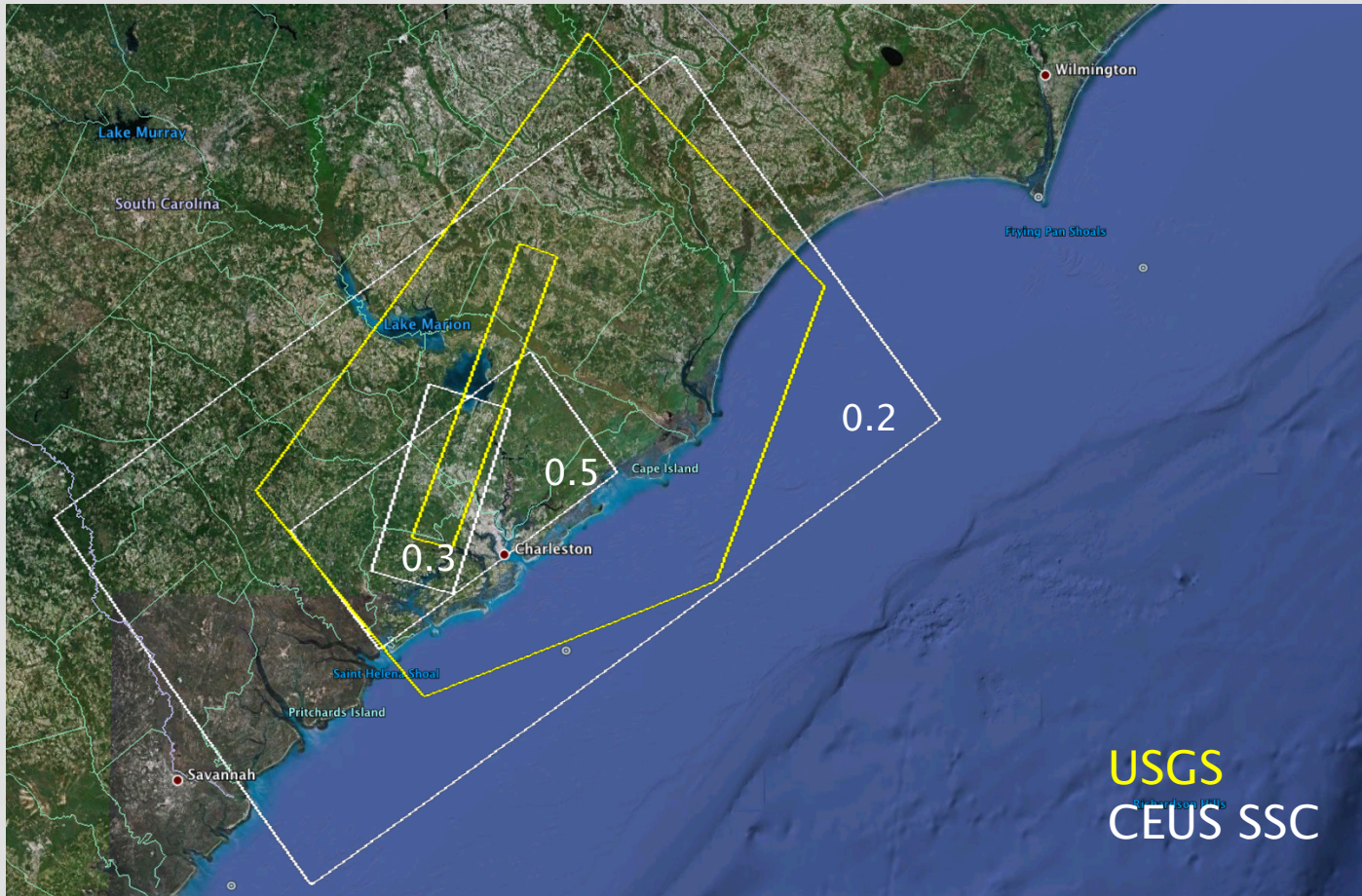
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## USGS AND CEUS SSC COMPARISON

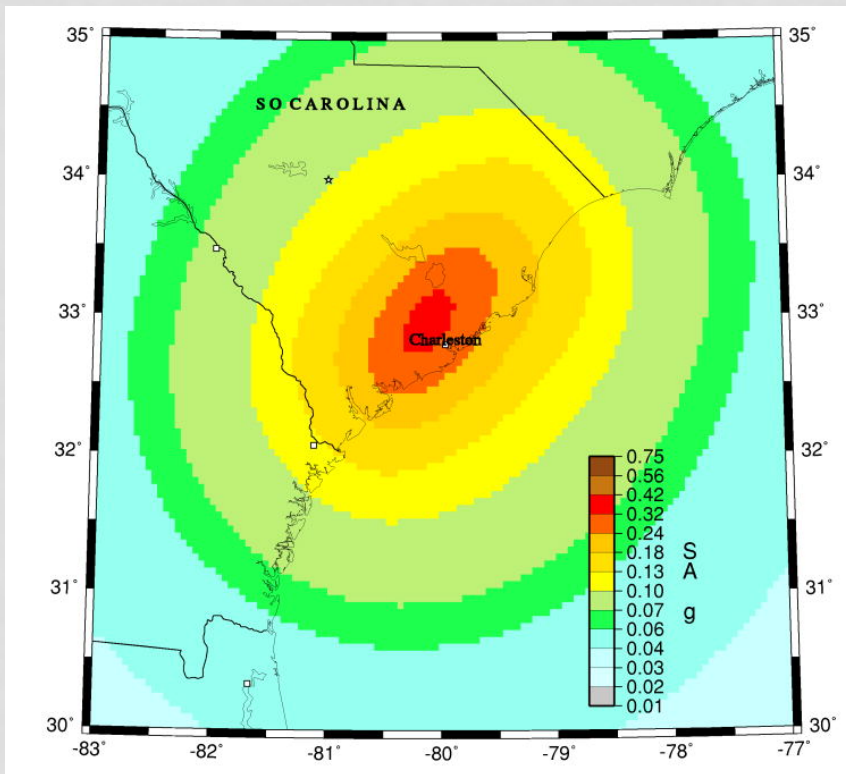
	<b>2008 USGS</b>	<b>CEUS SSC</b>
Source	Narrow 1,400 km <sup>2</sup> (0.5) Broad 22,000 km <sup>2</sup> (0.5)	Narrow 1,900 km <sup>2</sup> (0.3) Local 5,000 km <sup>2</sup> (0.5) Regional 39,000 km <sup>2</sup> (0.2)
Characteristic M	M6.8 (0.2) M7.1 (0.2) M7.3 (0.45) M7.5 (0.15)	M6.7 (0.1) M6.9 (0.25) M7.1 (0.3) M7.3 (0.25) M7.5 (0.1)
Recurrence	550 yr	480 yr (0.8) 480 yr (0.04) 770 (0.06) 910 yr (0.06) 1100 yr (0.04)
Earthquake occurrence model	Poisson	Poisson (0.9) Brownian Passage Time (0.1)

# CEUS SSC VS. USGS CHARLESTON SOURCE, S.C.

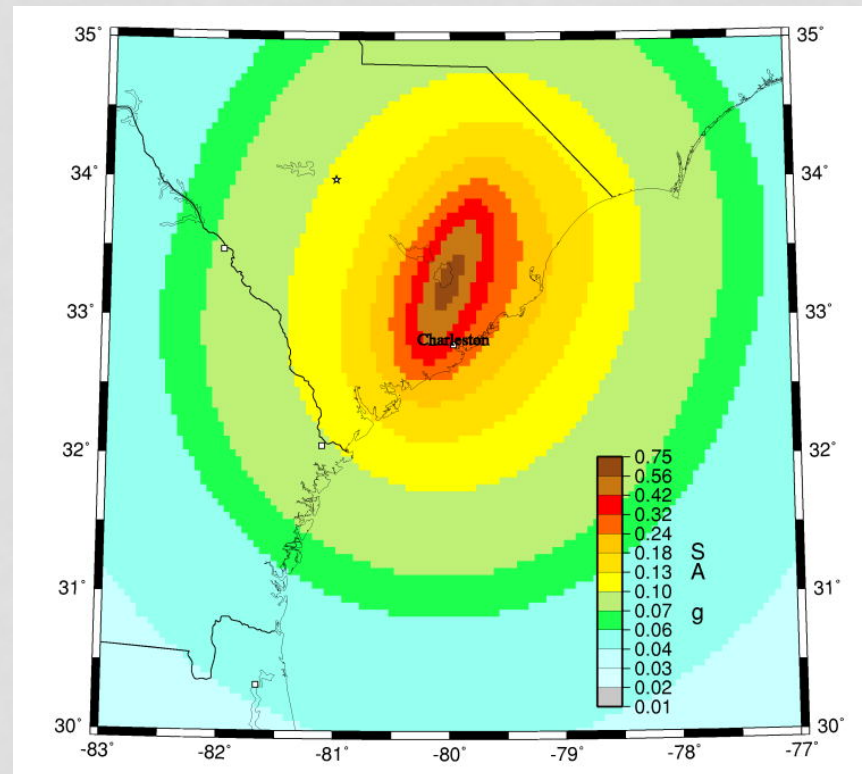


# 1-HZ SPECTRAL ACCELERATION 2% PE IN 50 YR

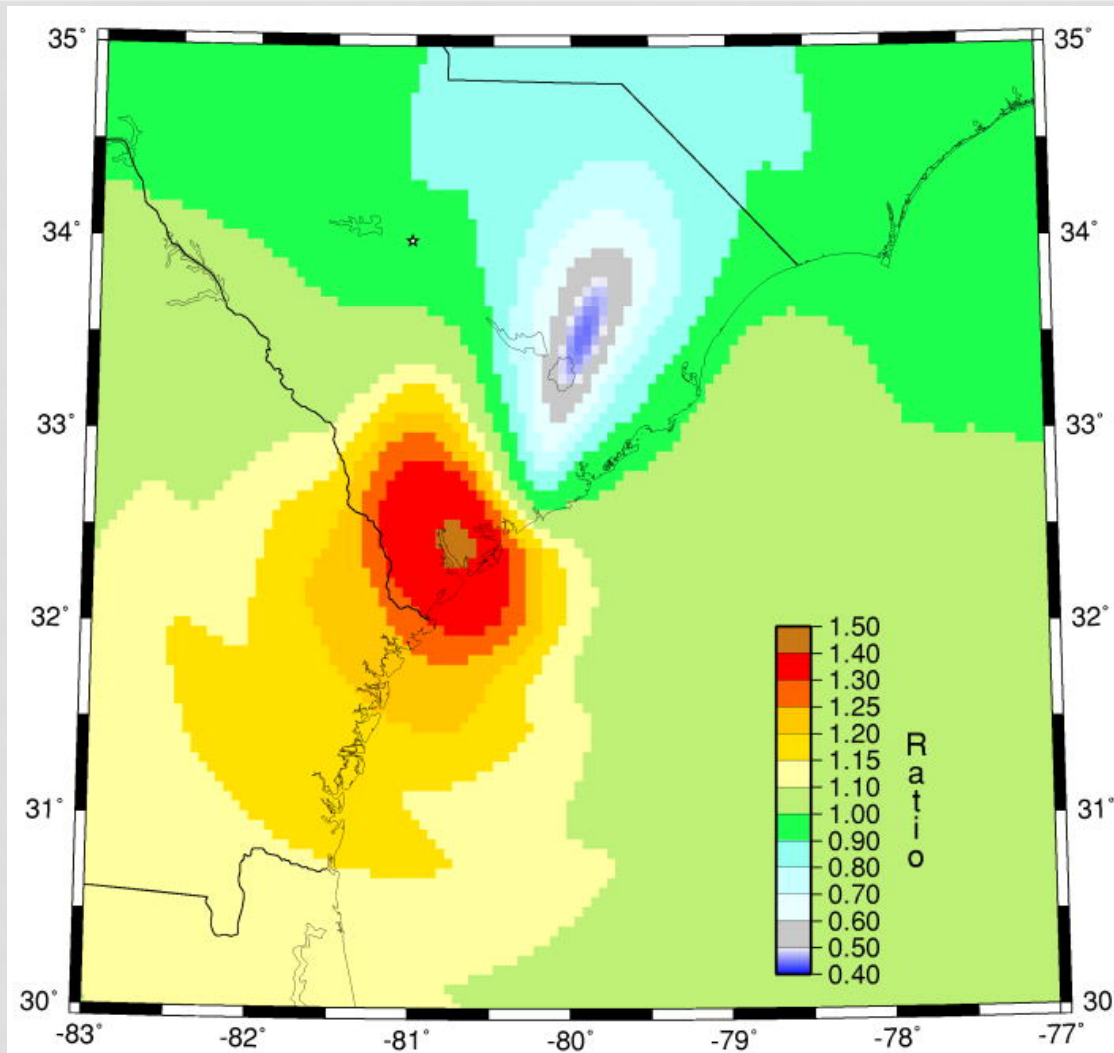
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## USGS zones

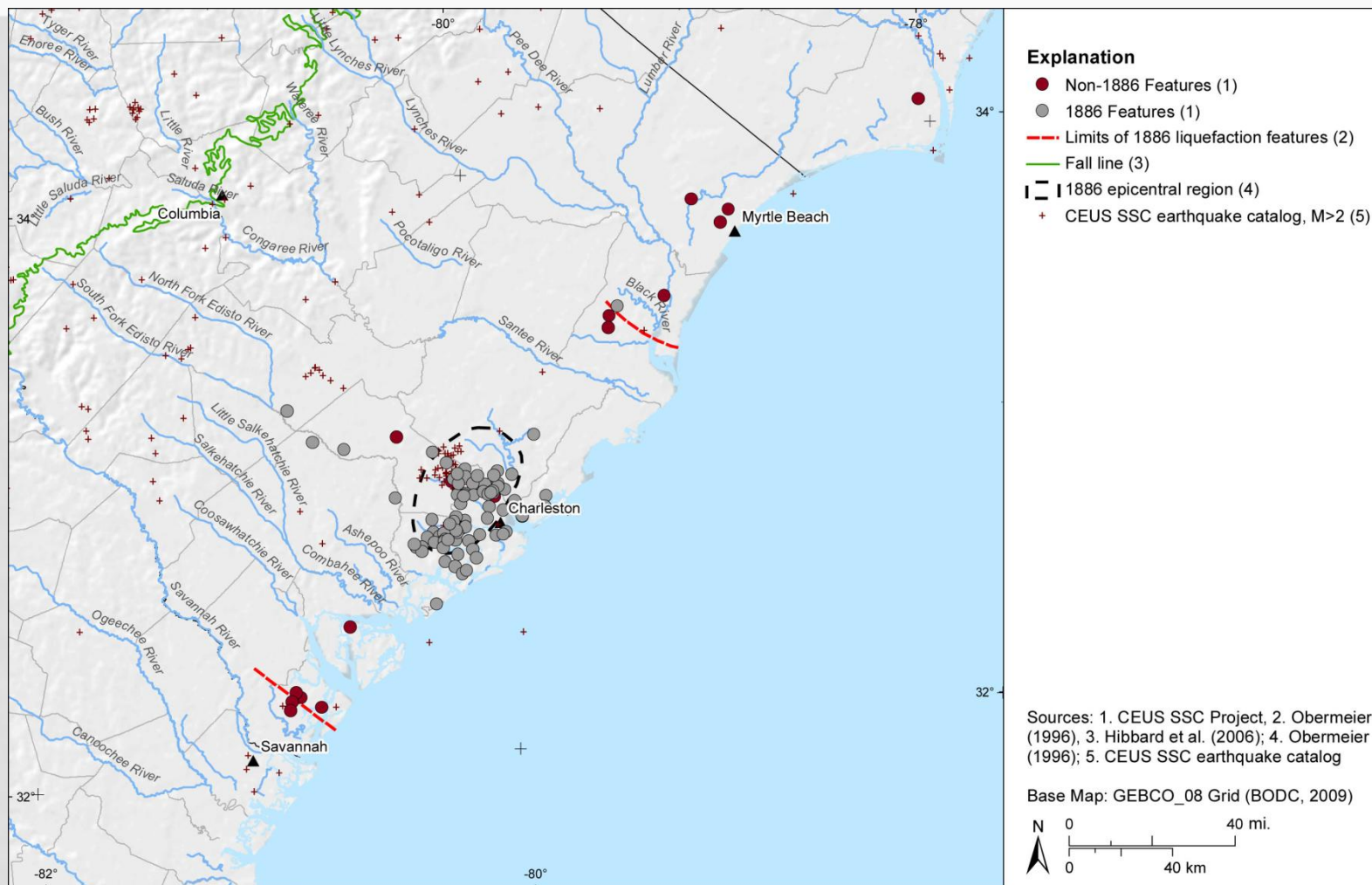


# RATIO MAP CEUS SSC/USGS



1-Hz SA  
2% PE in 50 yr  
Vs30 760 m/s

# CHARLESTON PALEOLIQUÉFACTION



# CEUS CHARLESTON SPACE-TIME DIAGRAM

Contemporary ages only

All ages

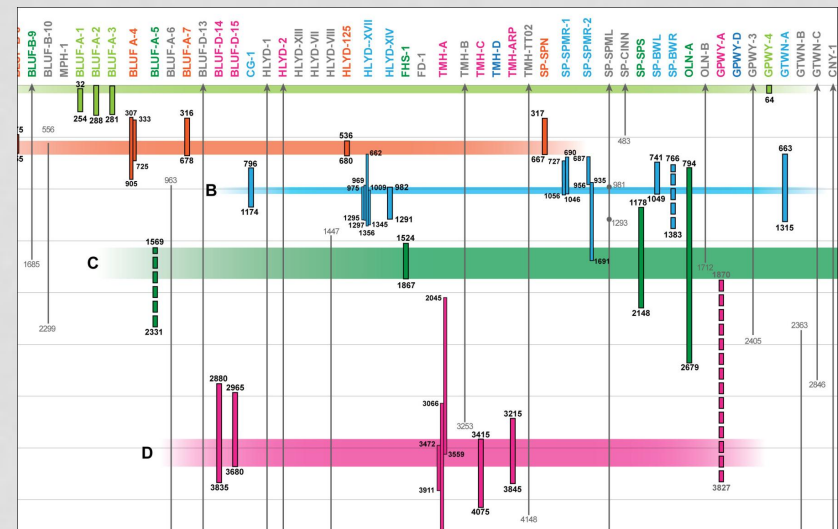
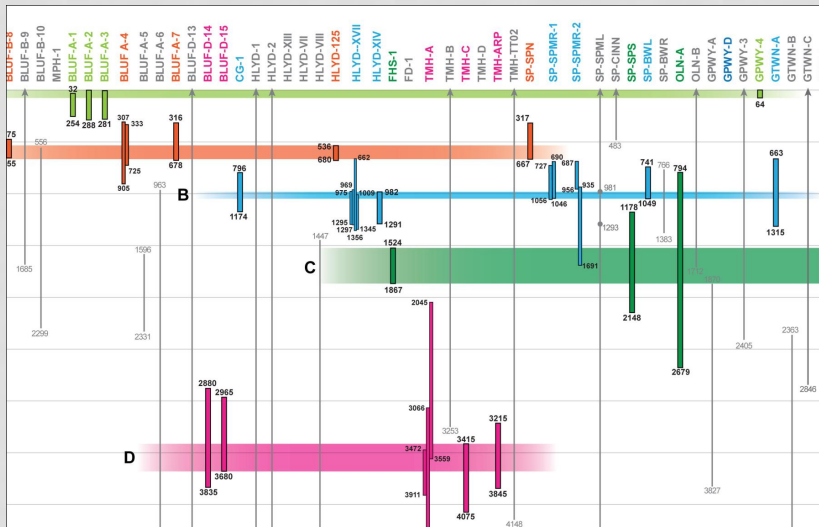


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# AGE UNCERTAINTY FOR CHARLESTON PALEOLIQUFACTION

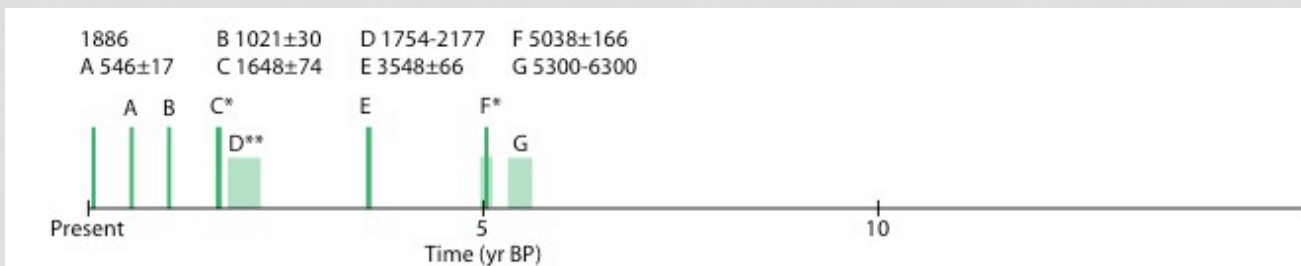
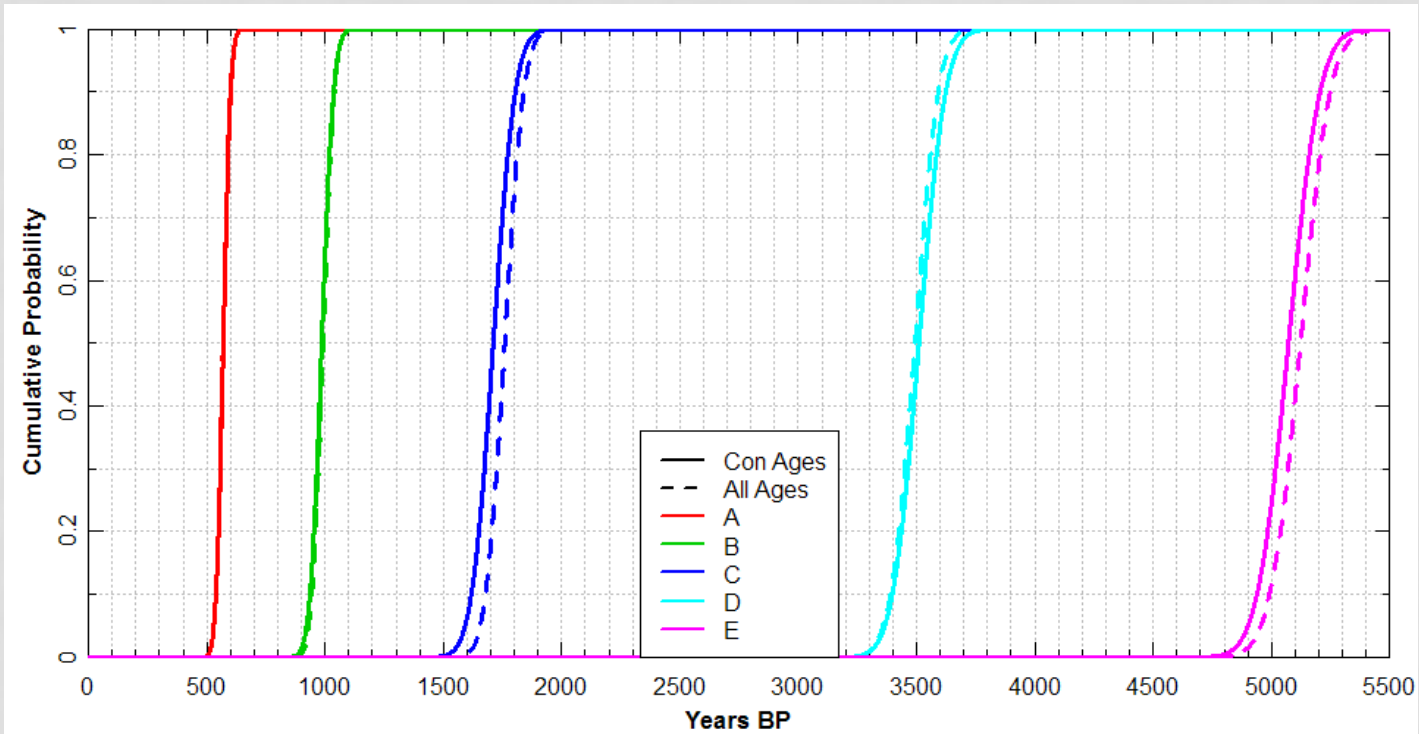
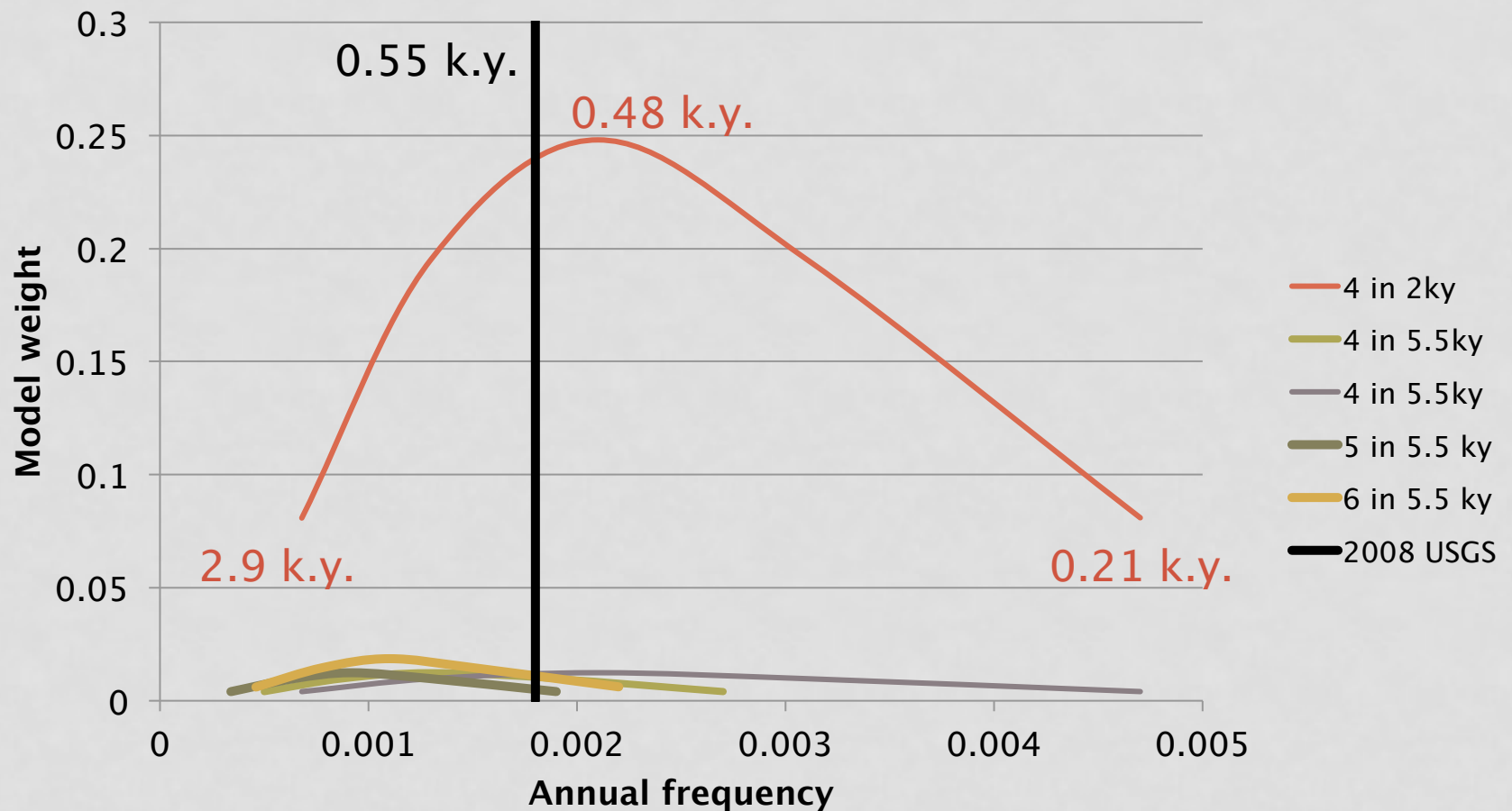


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# ANNUAL FREQUENCY OF MAXIMUM EARTHQUAKE, CHARLESTON SOURCES



# QUESTIONS

- Should the USGS modify their Broad and Narrow zones that were used in prior maps?
- Is the modeled 550 yr return time appropriate to use in the update?

# WABASH VALLEY FAULT SYSTEM

SSC Model: Mmax Zones Branch

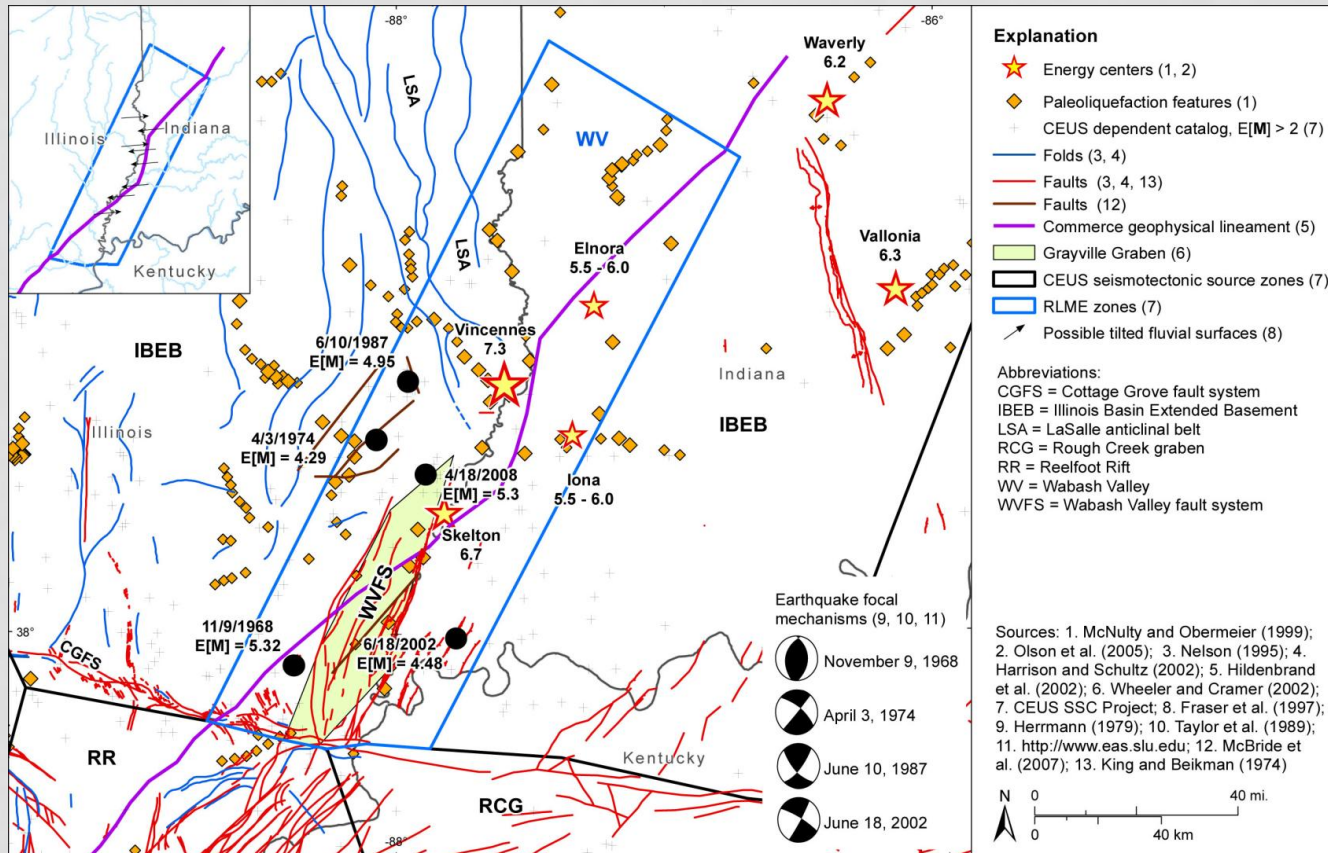


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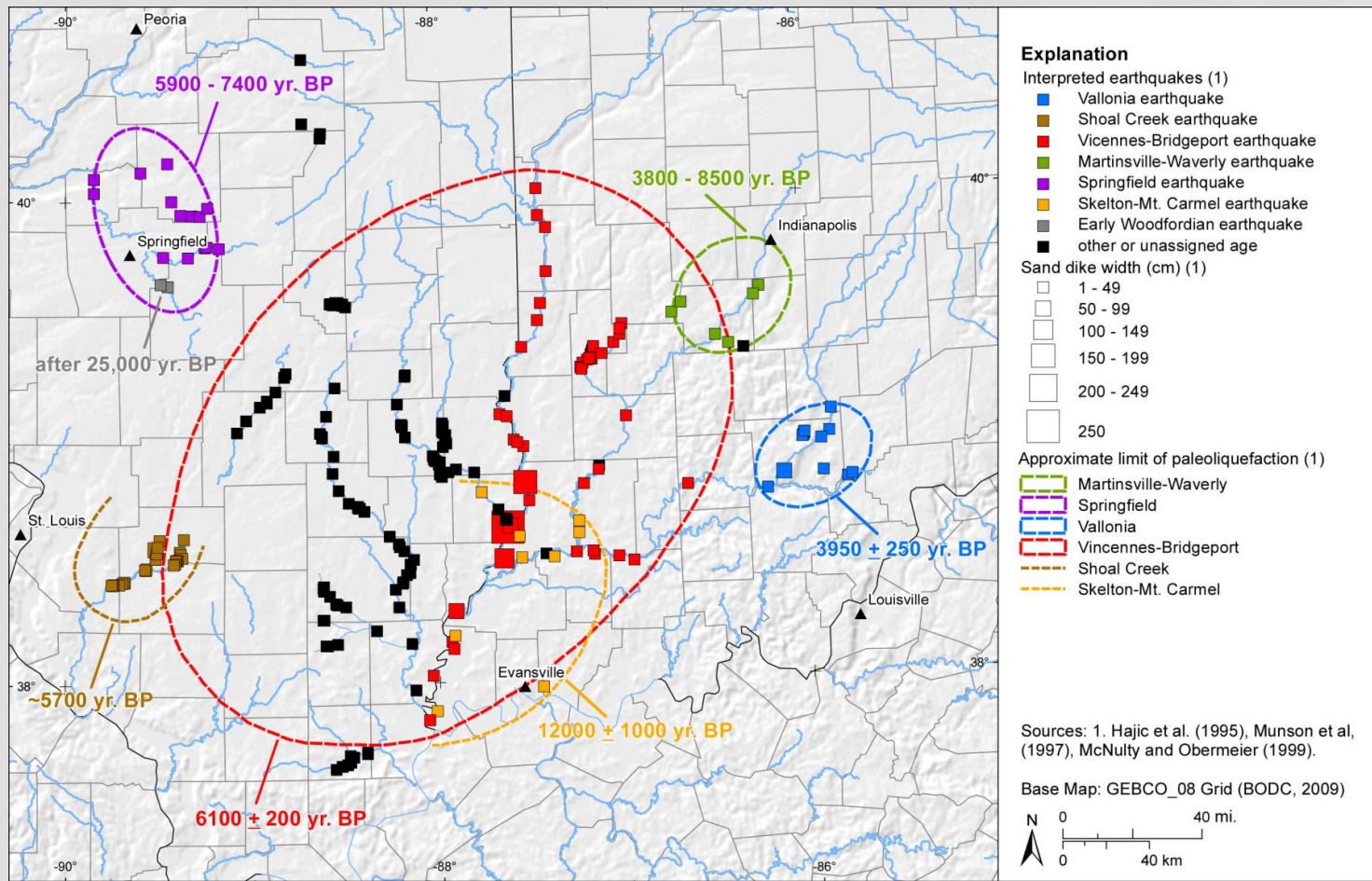
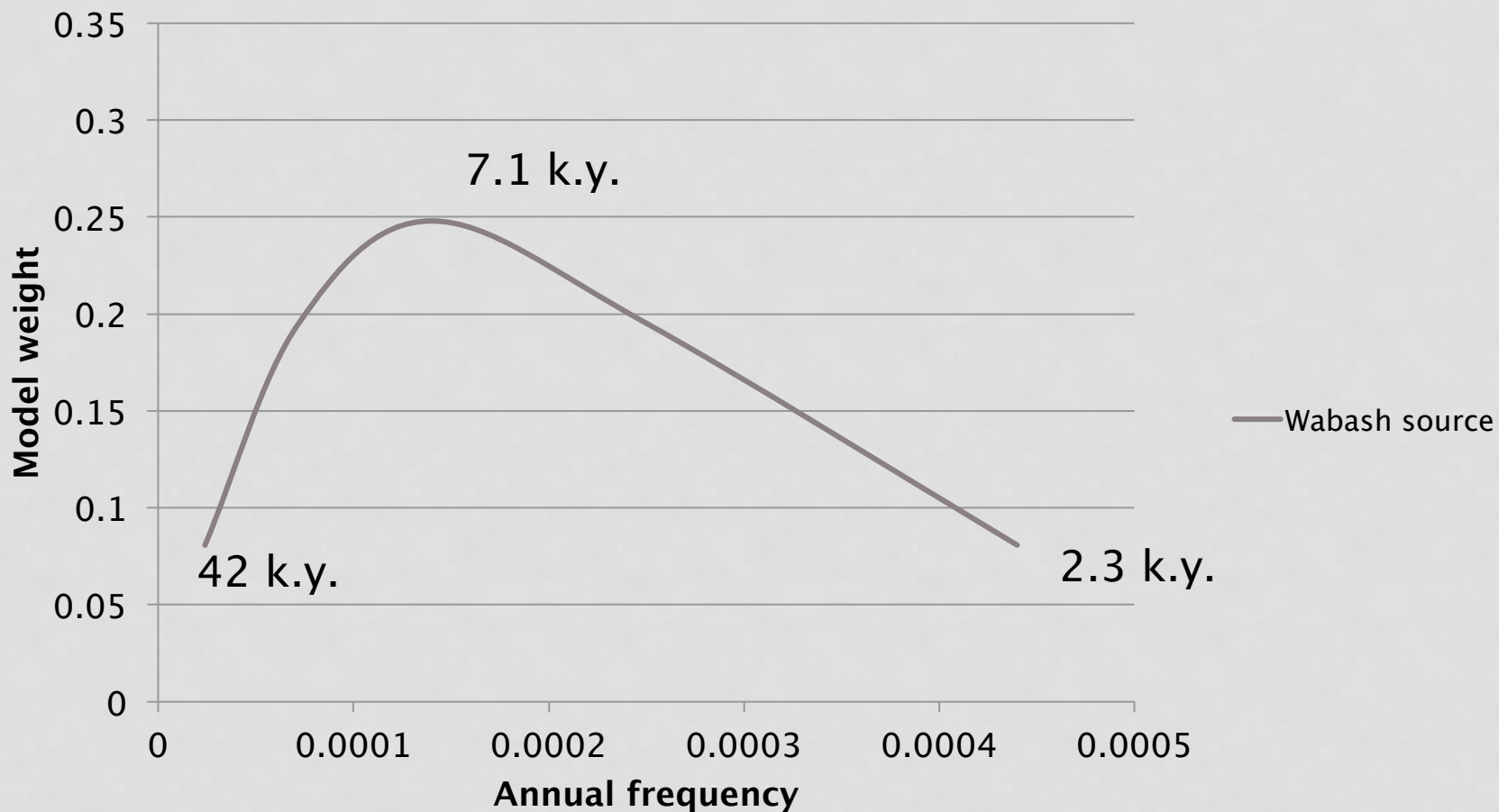


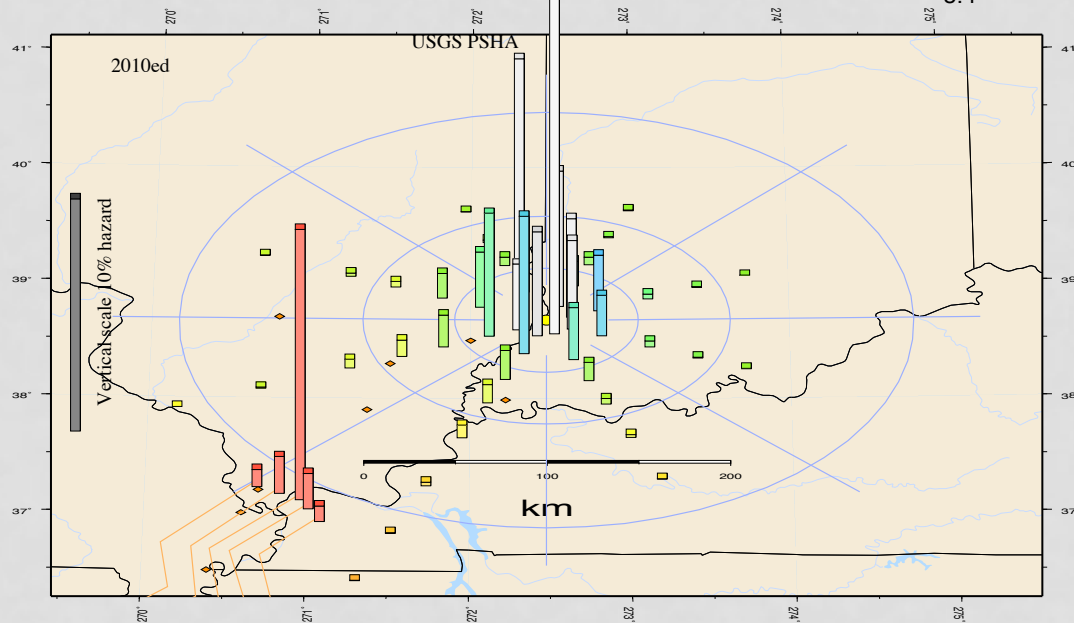
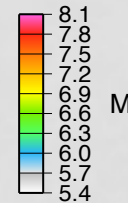
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# CEUS-SSC WABASH SOURCE



# DEAGGREGATION--VINCENNES

Vincennes Geographic Deagg. Seismic Hazard  
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PGA Exceedance Return Time: 2475 year  
Max. significant source distance 269. km.  
Deep-focus hazard plotted at equiv. radial distance  
Gridded-source hazard accum. in 45° intervals  
Rock site. Vs30(m/s) = 760.0



2012 Jan 27 17:36:55 Site Coords:-87.5240 38.6796 (yellow disk) Vs30= 760.0. Max annual ExcdRate .6110E-04 (column height prop. to ExRate). Diamonds: historical earthquakes. Red M=6,WUS. Orange M=5,CEUS



# MARIANNA ZONE, ARK.

- geologic record of earthquake induced liquefaction older than NMSZ features
- northwest-trending lineament defined by (1-4-m-wide) sand blows near Daytona Beach
  - possibly fault controlled 17 km (M6.5)
- 3 or 4 Holocene earthquakes between 5 and 9.6-10.2 ka
- some sand blows are comparable to NMSZ
- M6.7-7.7
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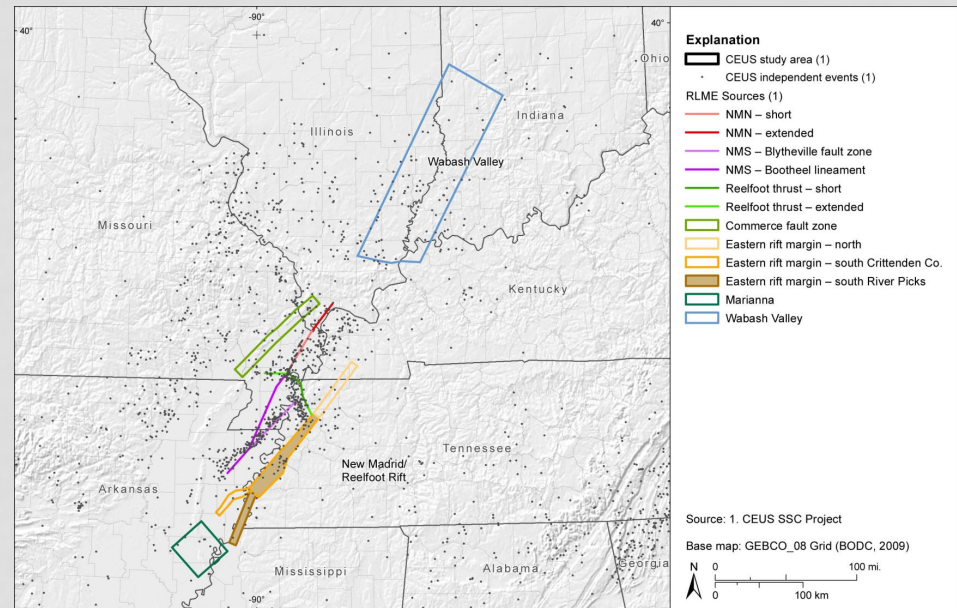


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# PRELIMINARY CONCLUSIONS

- Five generations of sand blows and related feeder dikes in Marianna area
- Weathering characteristics, stratigraphic and structural relations of features, and dating of buried soils suggest that liquefaction features formed during paleoearthquakes ~ 4.8, 5.5, 6.8, 9.9, and 9.9–38 ka
- Marianna sand blows are likely due to local, not New Madrid, earthquakes:
  - Very large size of liquefaction features
  - Lack of similarly large features that formed in AD 1811–1812, 1450, and 900

# DAYTONA BEACH LINEAMENT

- many large sand blows
- severe ground failure
- may be surface expression of fault at depth; perhaps western member of White River FZ

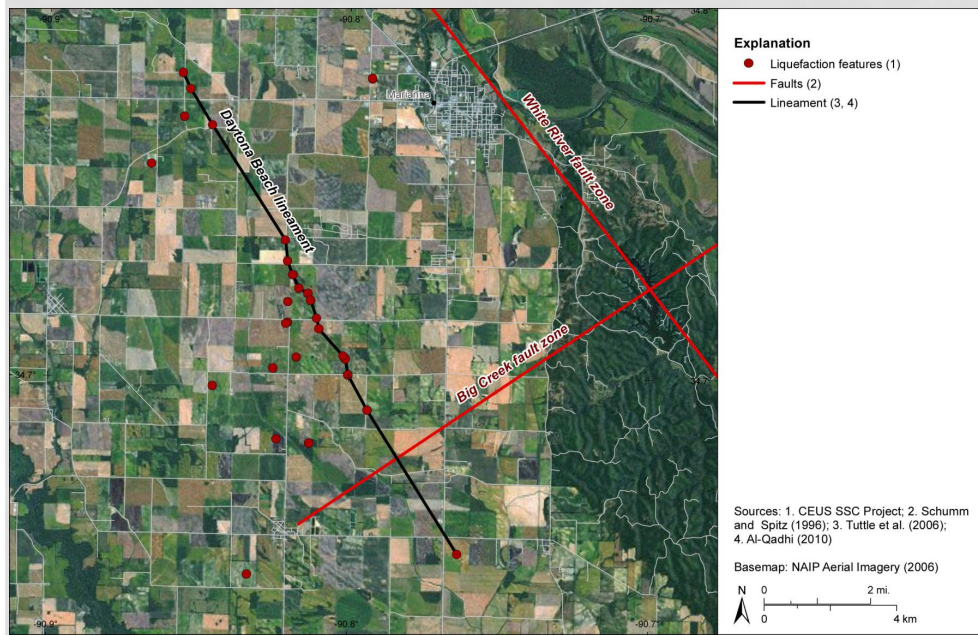


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# PRELIMINARY CONCLUSIONS

- Marianna sand blows are likely due to local, not New Madrid, earthquakes:
  - Very large size of liquefaction features
  - Lack of similarly large features that formed in AD 1811–1812, 1450, and 900
- Some liquefaction evidence of complex faulting perhaps involving White River FZ and Eastern Margin Reelfoot Rift FZ
- Marianna paleoearthquakes were probably very large ( $M \geq 7$ ); but warrants further study
- Findings suggest max average recurrence time of  $\sim 1.7$  k.y. and clustered behavior with minimum active period of  $\sim 5$  k.y.
- Implication – currently “quiet” members of Reelfoot Rift fault system may produce very large earthquakes in future

# MARIANNA PALEOLIQUEFACTION

- Five generations of sand blows and related feeder dikes in Marianna area
- Field identification degree of weathering stratigraphic & structural relations dating of buried soils
- Paleoliquefaction formed about 4.8, 5.5, 6.8, 9.9, and 9.9–38 ka

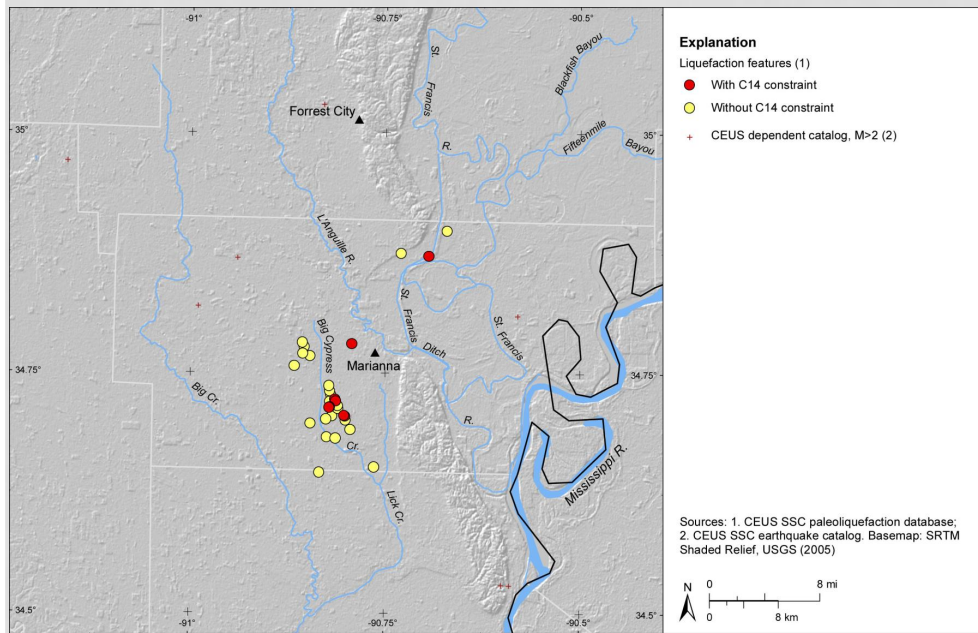


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# ESTIMATED TIME OF PALEOLIQUEFACTION FORMATION

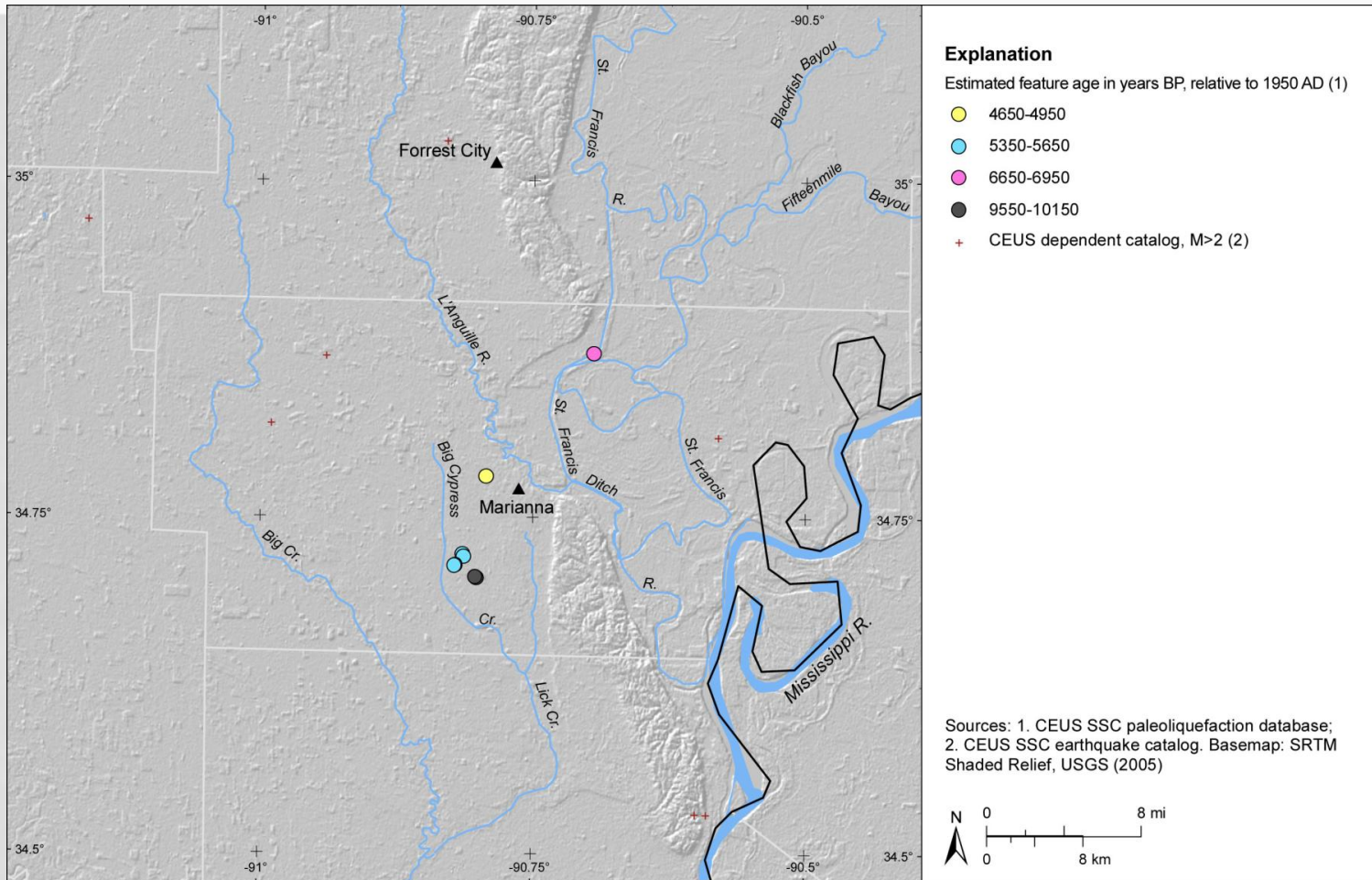
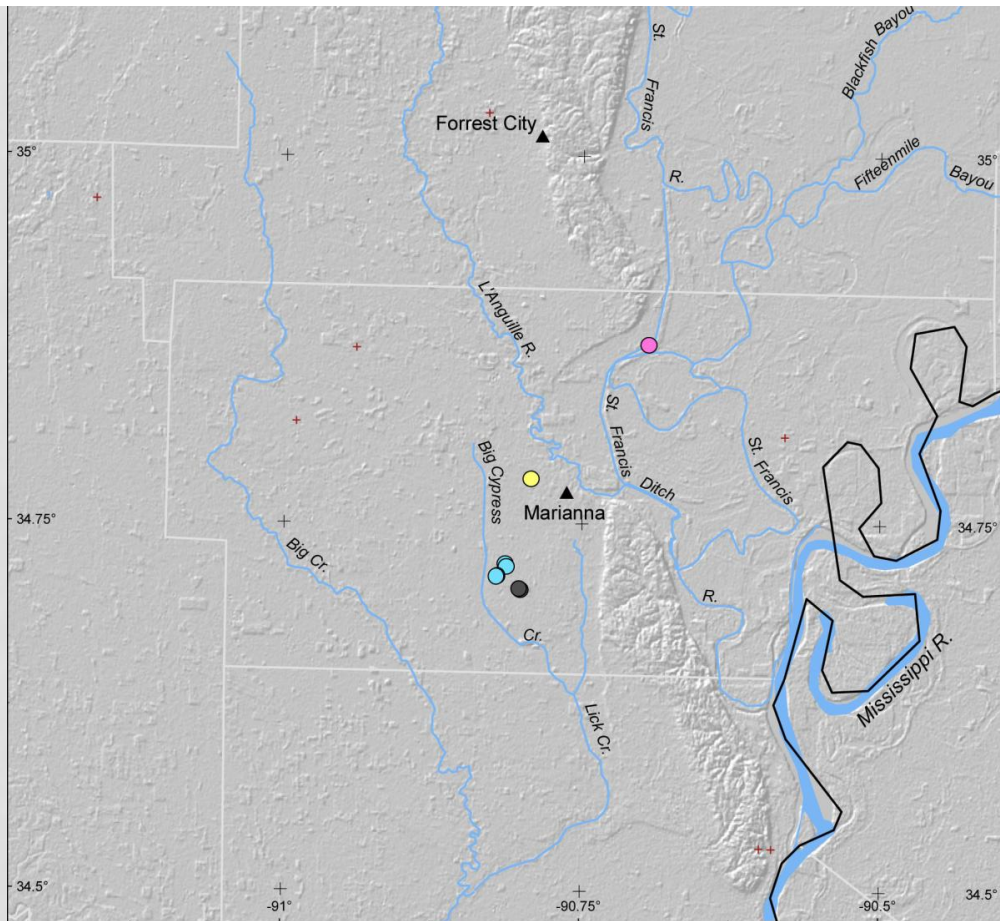
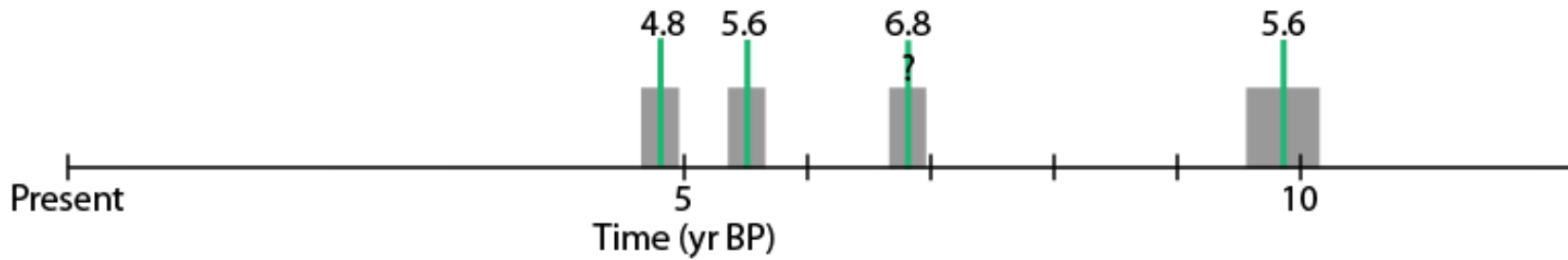


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**Explanation**

Estimated feature age in years BP, relative to 1950 AD (1)

- 4650-4950
- 5350-5650
- 6650-6950
- 9550-10150
- + CEUS dependent catalog, M>2 (2)

Sources: 1. CEUS SSC paleoliquefaction database; 2. CEUS SSC earthquake catalog. Basemap: SRTM Shaded Relief, USGS (2005)

Scale: 0 to 8 mi / 0 to 8 km