

# Countermeasures of Gas and Water Supply Systems against Natural Disasters in Japan

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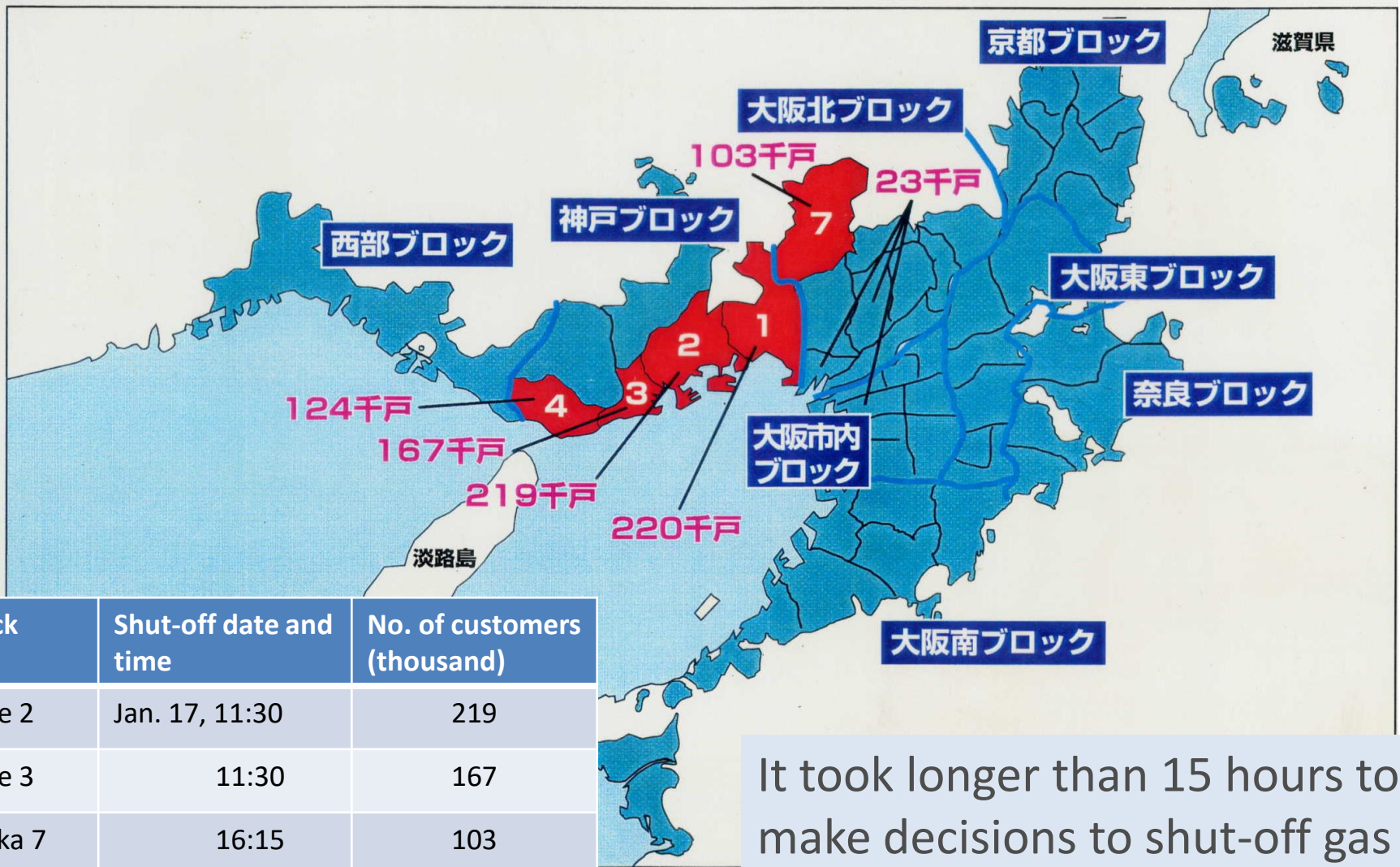
# Damage to Gas Pipes after the 1994 Northridge EQ



Gas from a ruptured supply line burns, and water from a broken water main floods.

Gas supply should be suspended soon when damage to pipes is anticipated.

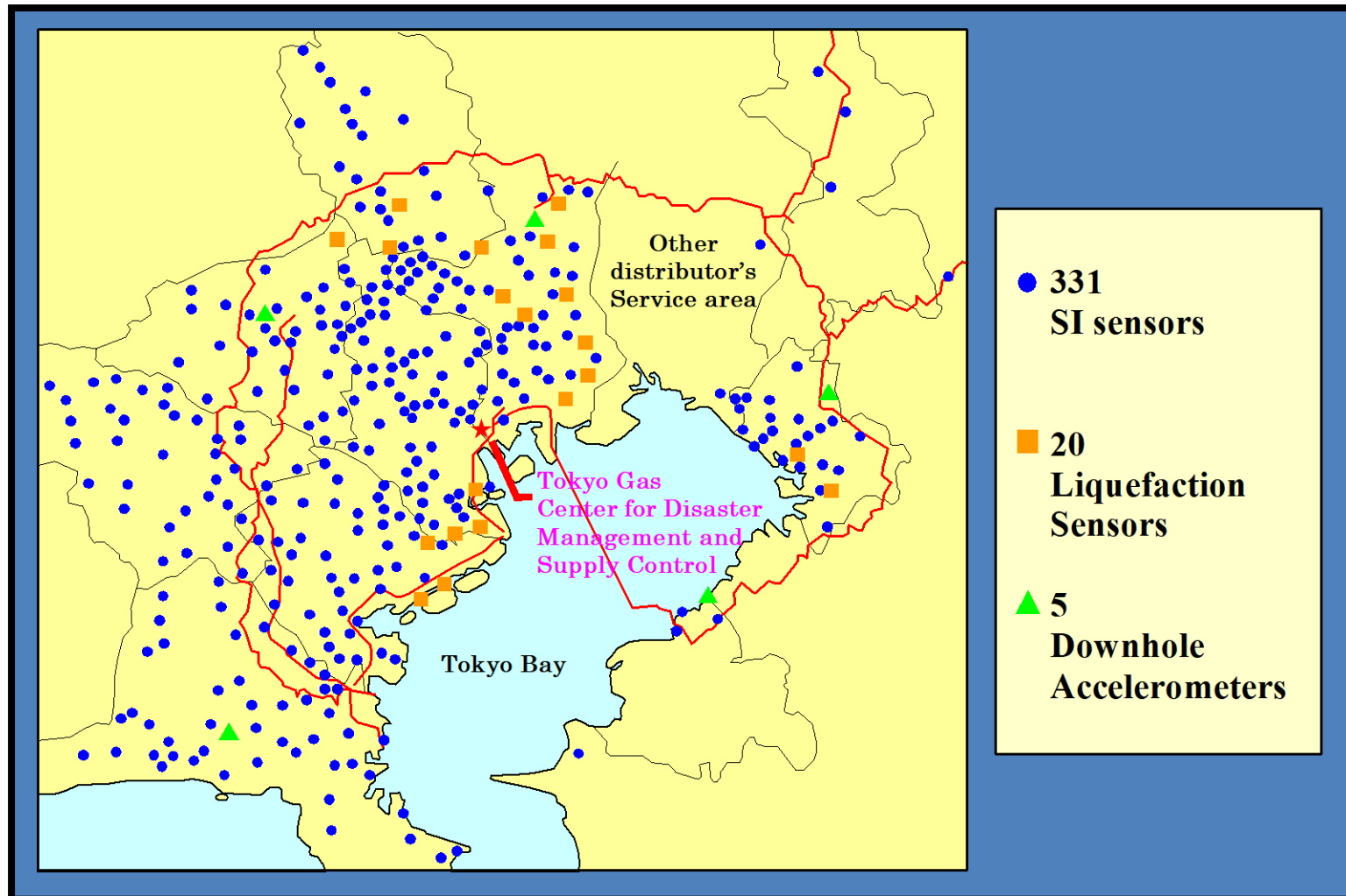
# Supply Shut-off after the 1995 Kobe EQ



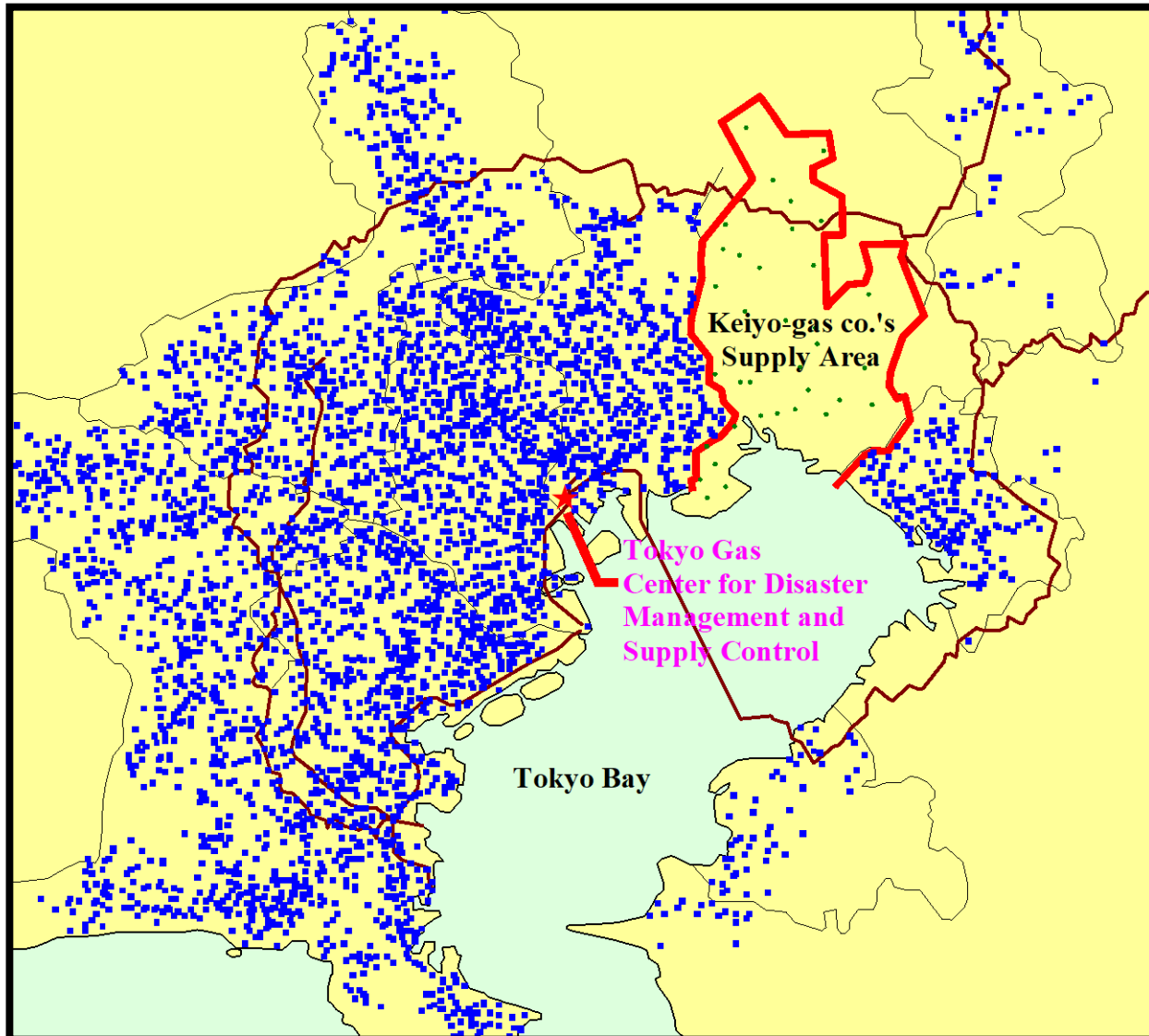
Block	Shut-off date and time	No. of customers (thousand)
Kobe 2	Jan. 17, 11:30	219
Kobe 3	11:30	167
Osaka 7	16:15	103
Kobe 1	19:10	220
Kobe 4	21:00	124

It took longer than 15 hours to make decisions to shut-off gas supply because of the lack of damage information.

# Service Area of Tokyo Gas and Seismic Sensors used in SIGNAL (since 1994)

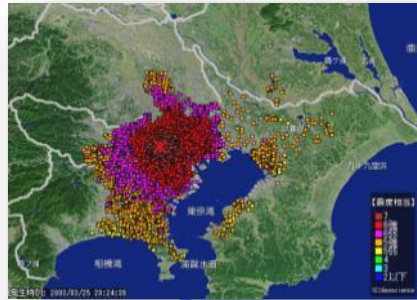
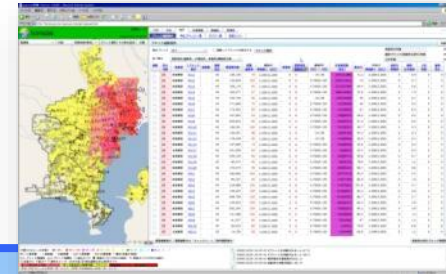
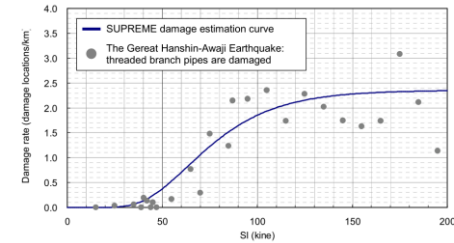


# SUPREME (SUPER-dense REaltime Monitoring of Earthquakes) with 4,000 Seismic Sensors



# SUPer-dense REaltime Monitoring of Earthquakes (SUPREME)

- Emergency shut down decision
- Restoration strategies



Approximately **4,000** district supply governors, from which low pressure gas is transmitted, are all equipped with **SI sensors**

**SUPREME estimates the number of damaged locations** of low-pressure pipeline based on the distribution of **SI values**.



# The 2011 off the Pacific Coast of Tohoku Earthquake

0 min

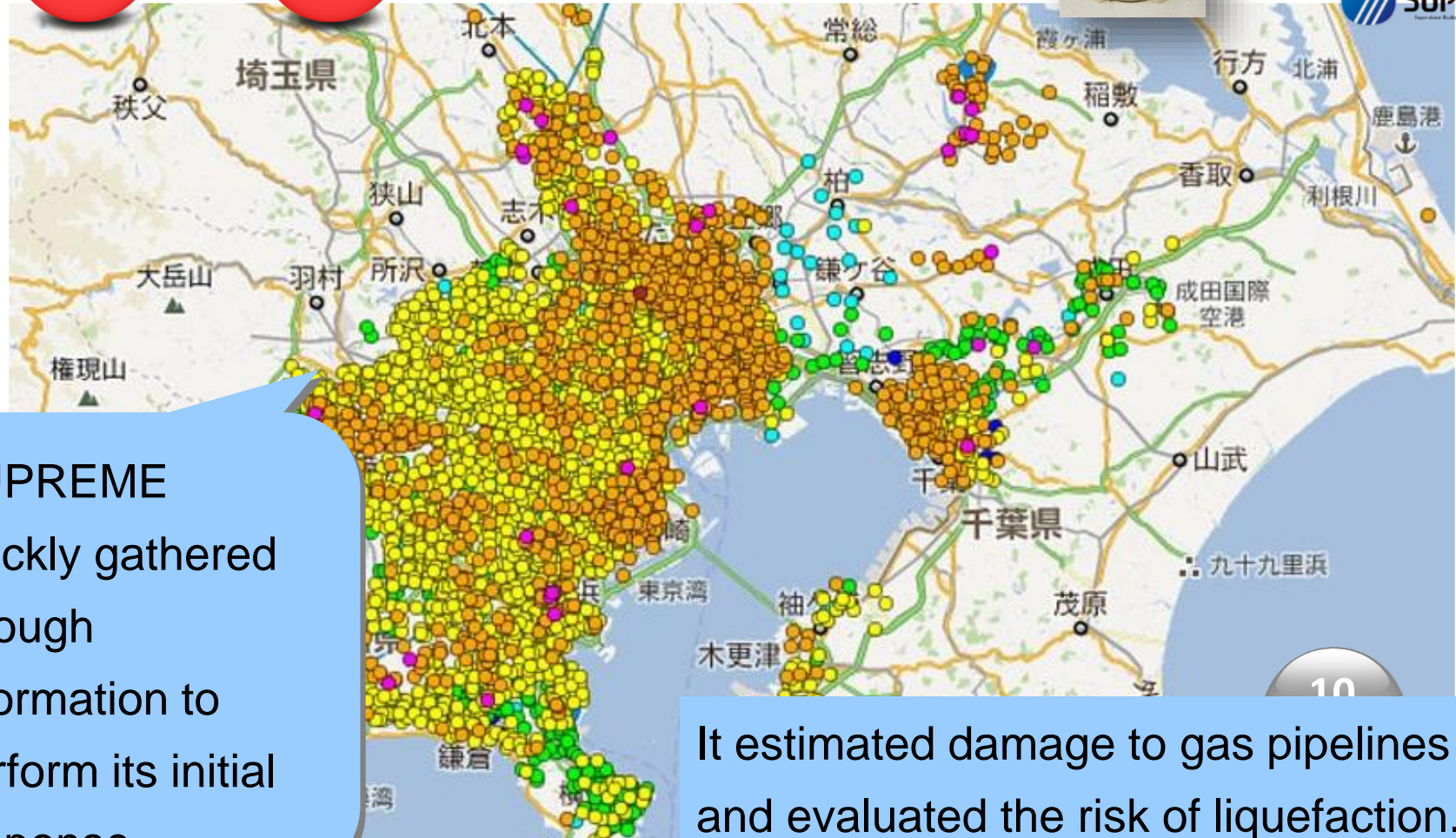


5 min

Collecting earthquake information was almost over



**SUPREME**  
Superior Earthquake Monitoring Equipment

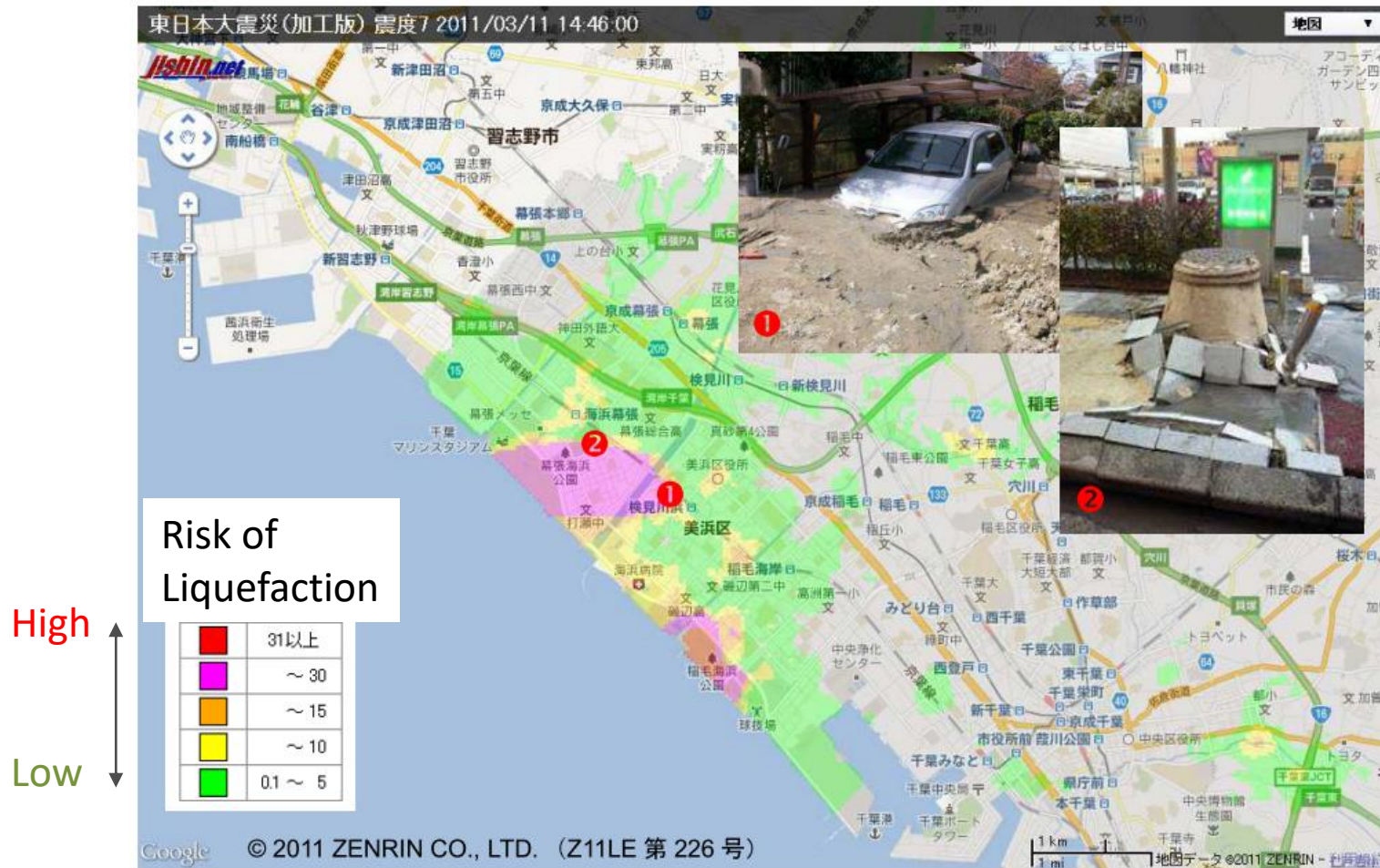


SUPREME quickly gathered enough information to perform its initial response

It estimated damage to gas pipelines and evaluated the risk of liquefaction.



# Estimated risk of liquefaction



The estimated results are similar to the actual state, and the effectiveness of liquefaction estimation is confirmed.

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# Damage to Water Pipes during Recent Earthquakes in Japan

2011 Tohoku Japan EQ.  
Steel pipe ( $\phi$  2400 mm) deployed in 1981



2016 Kumamoto EQ.  
Steel pipe ( $\phi$  1350 mm) deployed in 1982



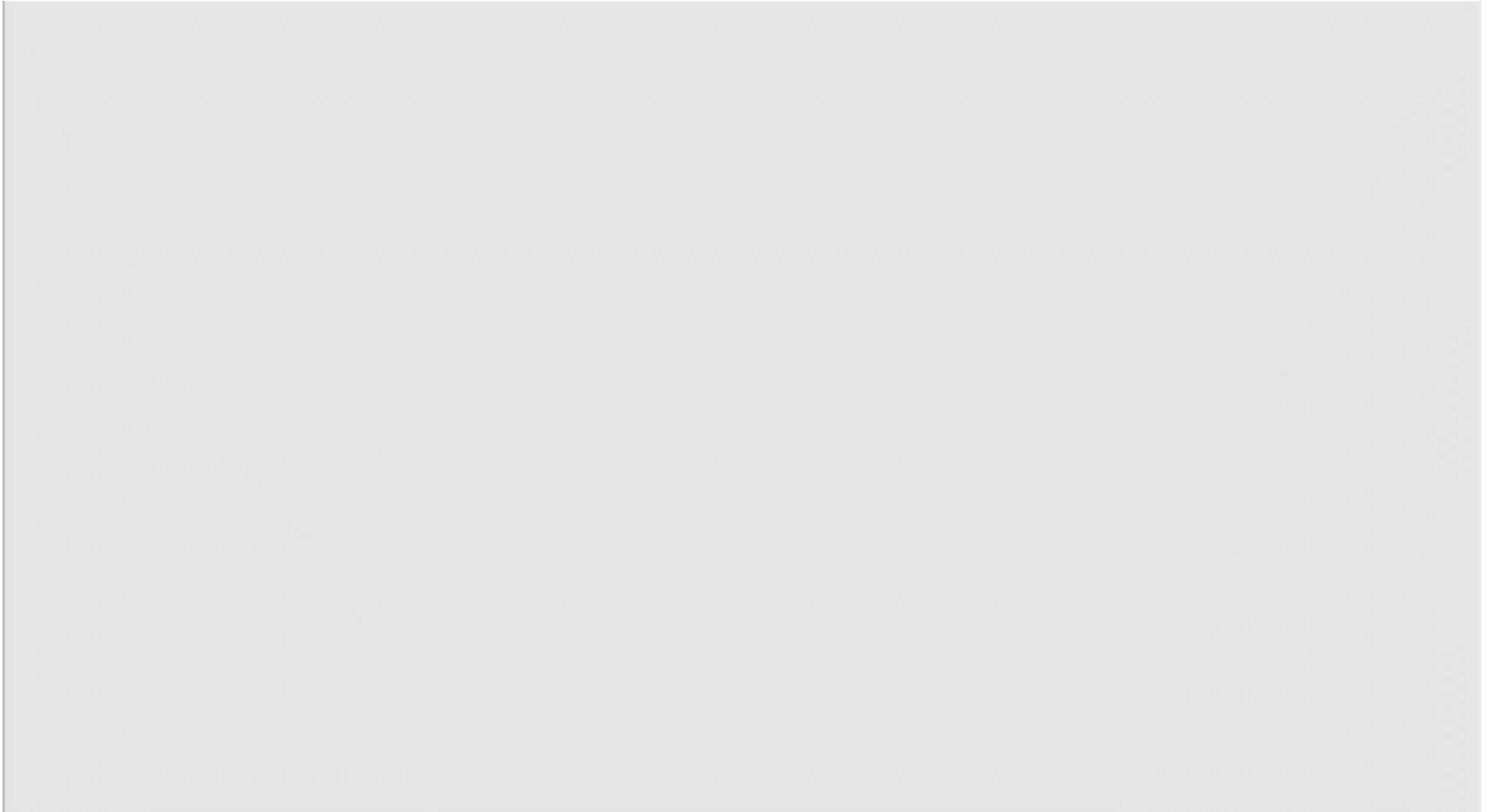
2011 Tohoku Japan EQ.  
Ductile cast iron pipe (K-type,  $\phi$  500 mm)  
deployed in 1974



- ✓ Old types of water pipes were sometimes damaged during recent earthquakes in Japan.
- ✓ Newly deployed water pipes with earthquake-resistant joints were completely safe against large earthquakes.

# Deformation Test of DIPs with Earthquake-Resistant Joints

<https://www.kubota.com/innovation/our-stories/earthquake-resistant-pipes.html>

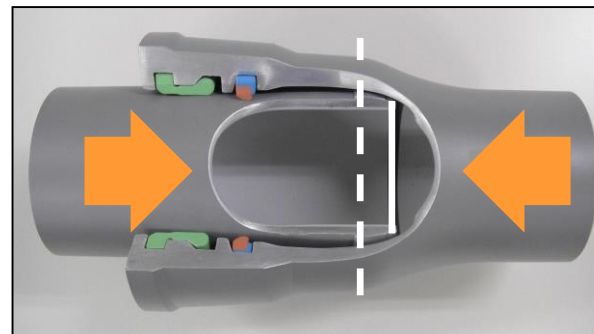
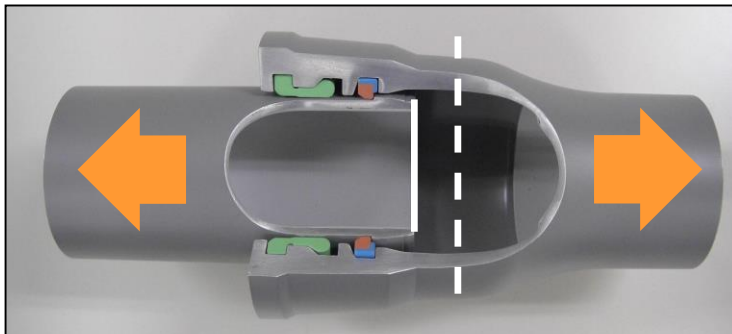
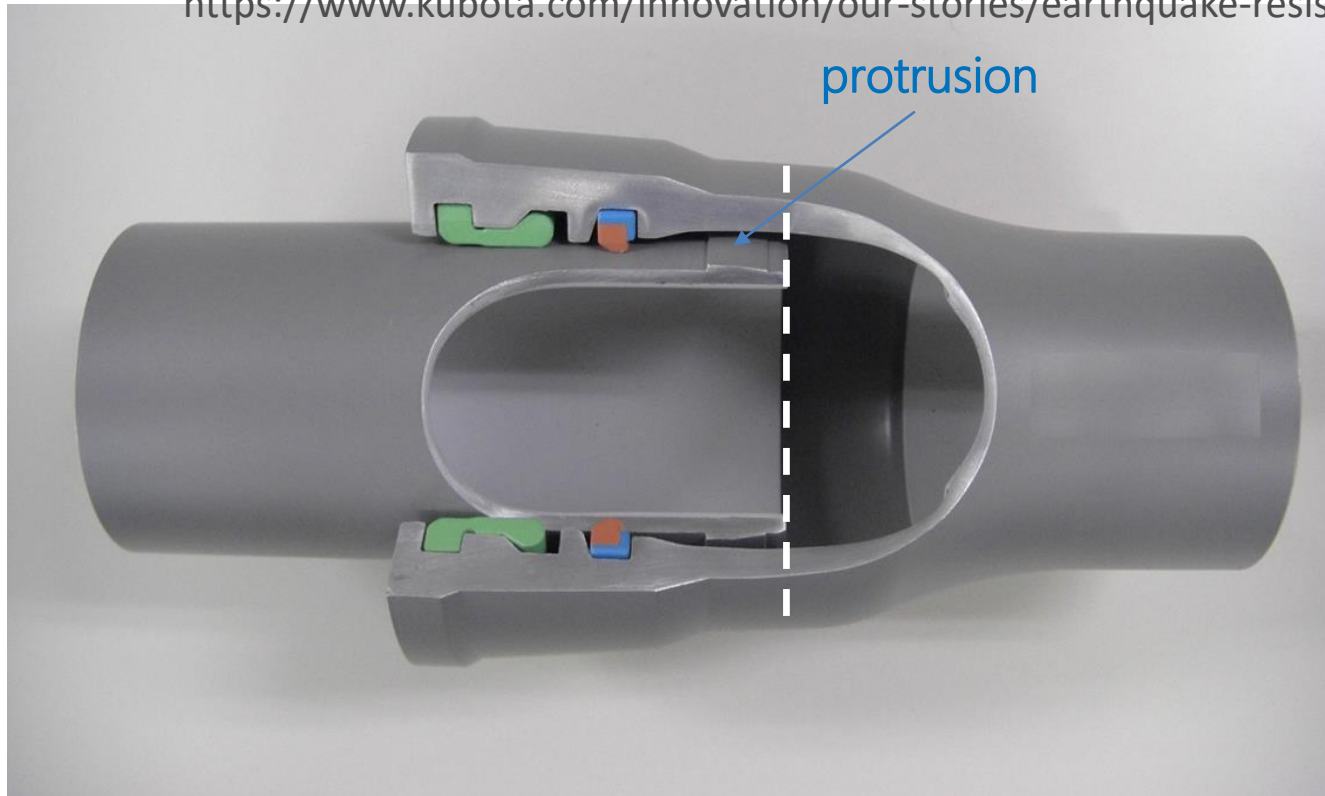


Ductile cast iron pipe (GENEX,  $\phi$  300 mm)

The joints are fine under the extreme large deformation.

# Mechanism of DIPs with Earthquake-Resistant Joints

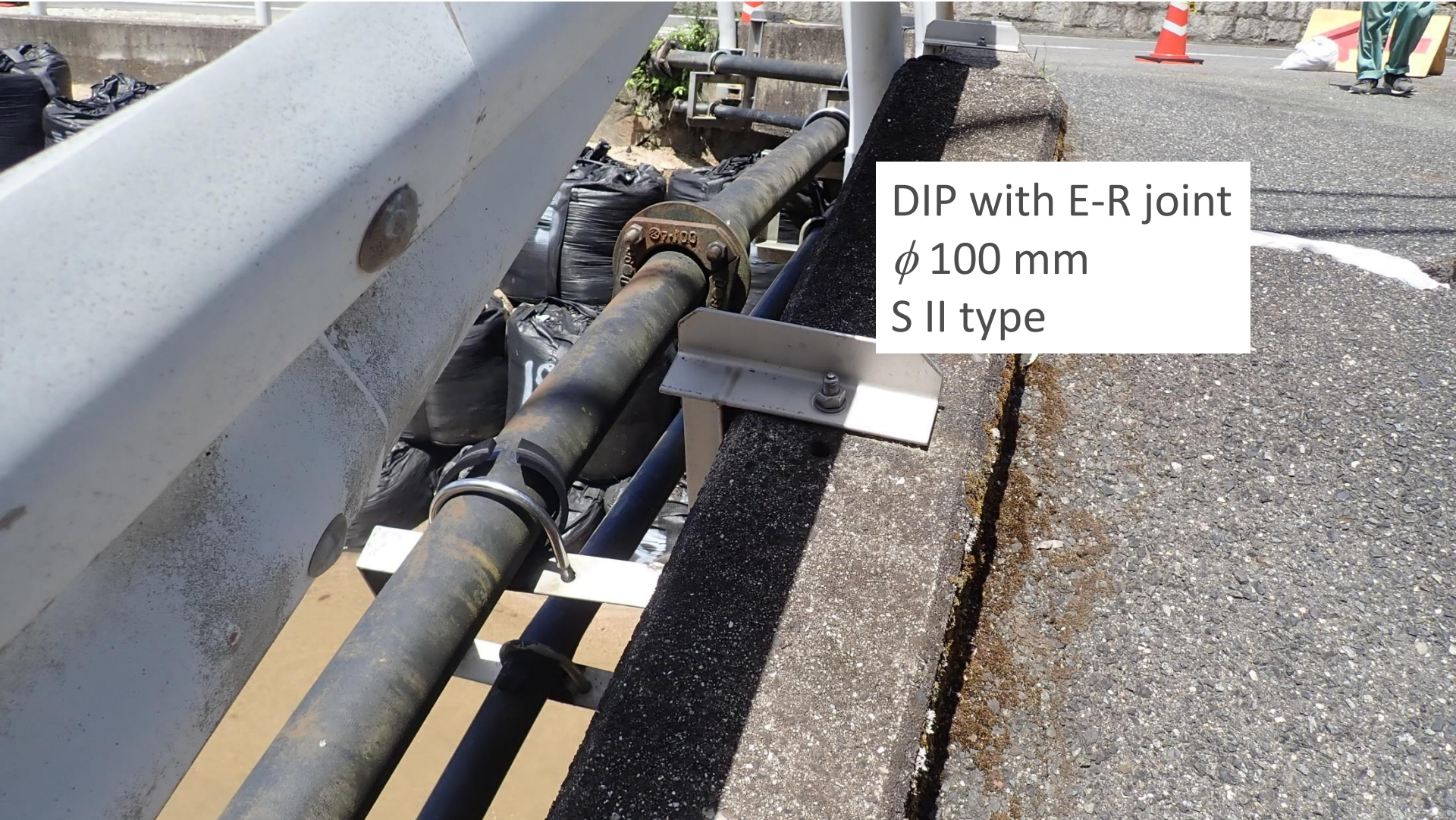
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The pipes are not slipped out.

# 2018 Western Japan Floods and Rain

Aki Ward, Hiroshima City

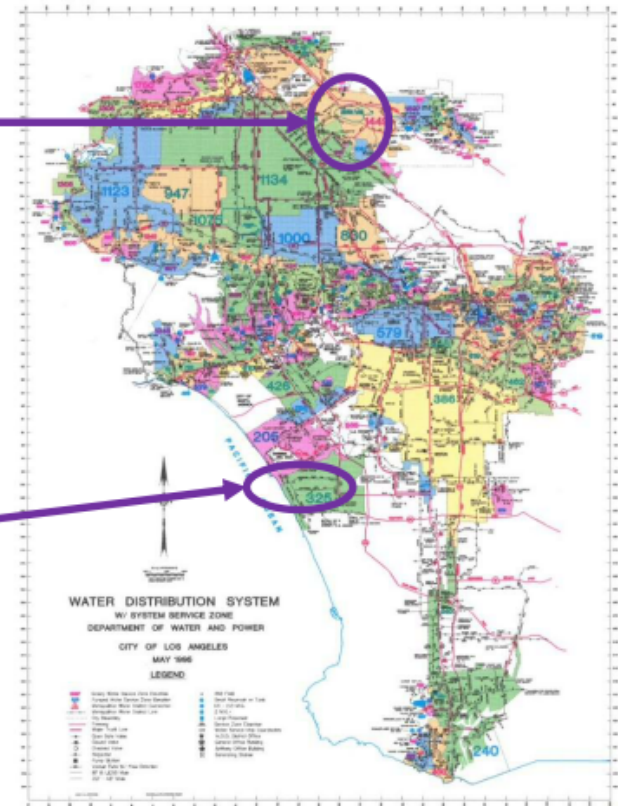


DIP with E-R joint  
 $\phi$  100 mm  
S II type

## Current ERDIP projects in LA

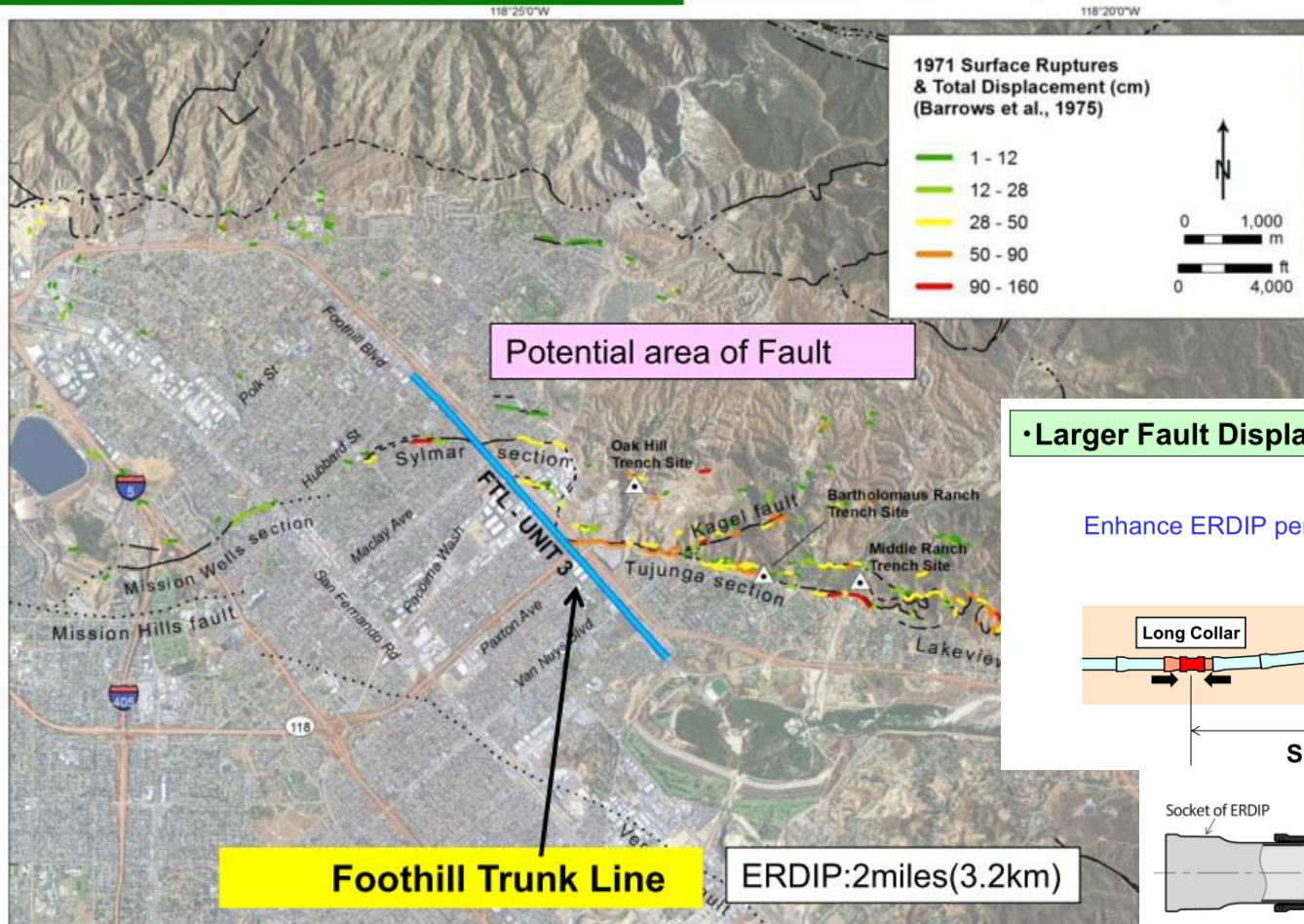
### Trunk Line

- Foothill trunk line project  
[Crossing 1971 fault rupture]
  - Pipe size: 54"  $\phi$ 1350 mm
  - Pipe length: 2 miles 3.2 km
- Century project (Planning)  
[Crossing fault and liquefaction zone]
  - Pipe size: 48"
  - Pipe length: 2 miles



# Earthquake-Resistant DIPs Deployed in USA

## 54" Foothill trunk line project (Installing)

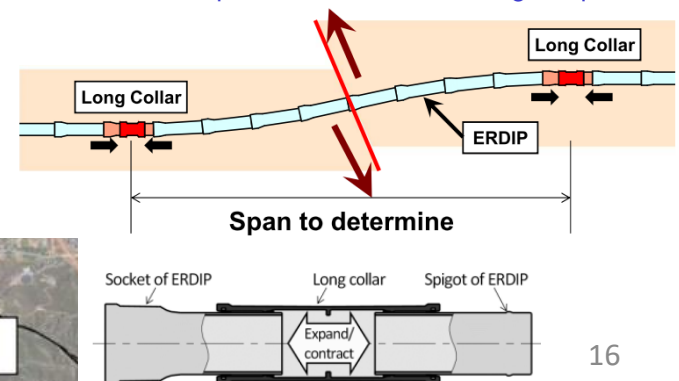


1971 San Fernando earthquake

• Larger Fault Displacement

Install Long Collars.

Enhance ERDIP performance to absorb large displacement.





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# Summary

Countermeasures of gas and water pipeline system against natural hazards in Japan are introduced.

- Real-time earthquake disaster mitigation system SUPREME was activated during the 2011 Tohoku Japan earthquake, and the initial responses of Tokyo Gas were properly performed.
- The DIPs with earthquake-resistant joints are fine under the extremely large ground deformations. Hence, they are safe against not only earthquakes but also floods.

Thank you very much!