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Brief Western Great Basin Earthquake Report

May 11 - 17, 2003

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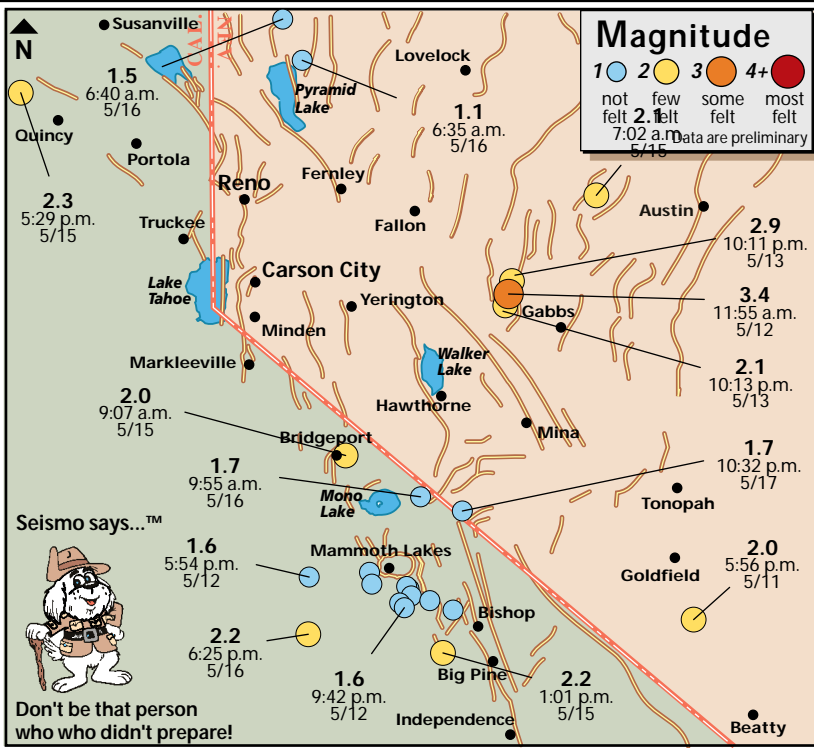


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Magnitude M≥1	1	2	3+	Total
Regional (w/o Mammoth)	5	8	1	15
Last week	8	3	1	12
Mammoth Lakes region	8	0	0	8
Last week	10	2	0	12

- ▼ The number of earthquakes increased slightly from the previous week, but it was not enough to raise the total above the 20 quake-per-week mark – a level not attained for the past four weeks. The intensity of seismicity increased a little, posting nine quakes measuring M 2.0 or stronger, including one in the M 3.0 range. It was the third week in a row that a quake has registered this large.
- ▼ The gap in M 4.0+ quakes increased to 16 weeks. Although it is not uncommon for long periods to lapse between M 4.0+ quakes in Nevada, what is unusual is that only one event has occurred in the last ten months.
- ▼ The largest earthquake measured M 3.4 and occurred at 10:11 p.m. on Tuesday, May 13, northwest of Gabbs near the Churchill-Mineral County line west of Highway 361. Felt? It was accompanied by two aftershocks (largest: M 2.9).
- ▼ A couple of small events occurred north of Pyramid Lake.
- ▼ Activity near Mammoth Lakes remained uncommonly quiet, posting its 8th straight week below the 20 quake-per-week mark, this week falling to the single-digit level.

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