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GUATEMALA CITY - A 7.4-magnitude earthquake struck off the Pacific coast of Guatemala on Wednesday, killing at least 39 people as it ravaged a small state near the Mexican border, the country's president said.

Guatemalan President Otto Perez Molina said earlier at a press conference at the headquarters of the Conred emergency management agency that around 100 people were listed as missing in San Marcos.

"This was shaky," said Baker, 2, tweeted a behind his house in the nearby state of Quetzaltenango.

Survivors by radio and social media talked of widespread landslides and people trapped.