

# 12.540 Principles of the Global Positioning System Lecture 24

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# OVERVIEW

- Examination of results from Earthscope
- Reference frame definition: SNARF
- High-rate GPS results
- Episodic Tremor and Slip (ETS) events
- Two types of water events.
- Tools

# PBO GPS Data Analysis

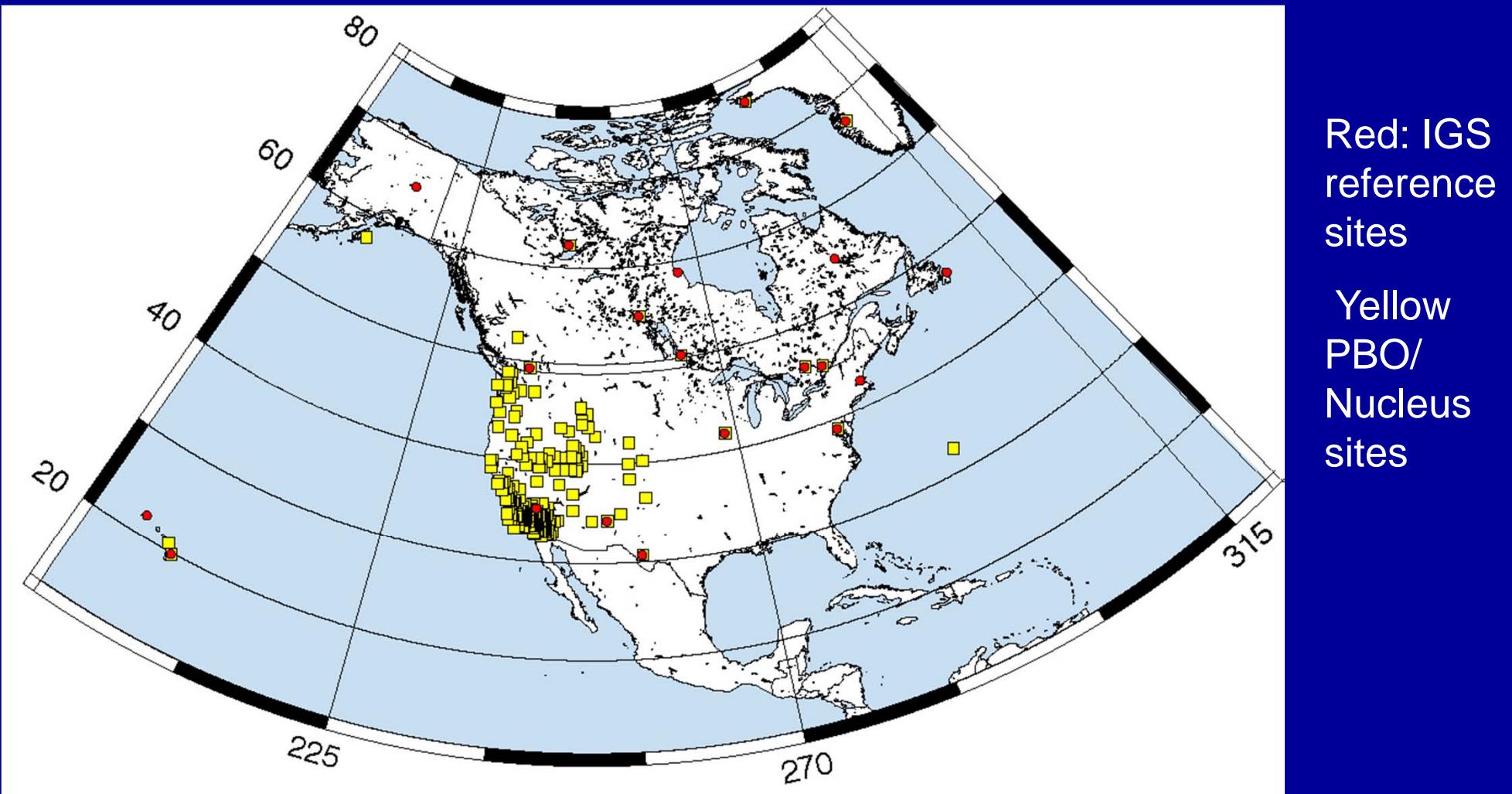
- ACs (NMT and CWU) are routinely generating PBO GPS data products
  - Rapid Sinex files: 24 hour latency
  - Final Sinex files: 6-13 day latency, weekly run started after IGS final products become available
  - Supplemental Sinex files: 12-week latency, weekly run. Includes missed sites and a 3-4 tie sites from final runs to link network. Tests show performance similar to finals. Bias fixing not quite so good due typically to wider site spacing.
  - Supplemental runs also add sites to original final submission (until re-processing generates new set of final runs).
  - SINEX and RMS files ftp' d to MIT
  - Recently campaign processing (Bob Smith) added to processing first as an additional run similar to the supplemental runs and once caught up, included in the supplementals.
  - Added USGS processing of SCIGN sites (SCEC funding). Results appear in combined product.

# PBO Combination Analysis

- ACC:

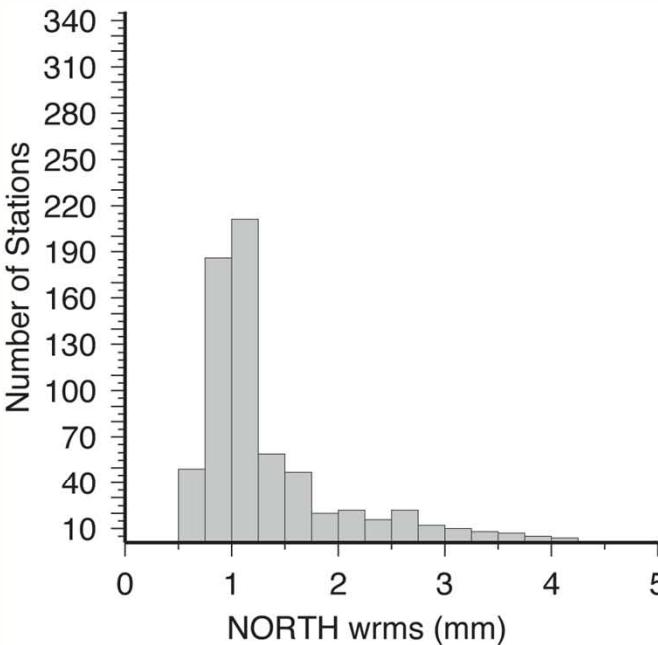
- Rotates, translates, and scales each AC to PBO SNARF reference frame; check and correct meta data (when possible)
- Combine AC results and transforms combined product to PBO SNARF (Stable North America Reference Frame)
- Outlier checks and report generated that is emailed to
- SINEX and time-series files sent to UNAVCO via LDM
- The PBO realization of SNARF is updated about once-per-year: Requires re-submission of all frame defined sinex files and time series files. Latest version 20070919173418. At 6-month intervals updates are made for new stations. (Reference frame sites are not updated in these incremental updates and thus the time series and SINEX do not need release.)

# PBO SNARF Reference Frame

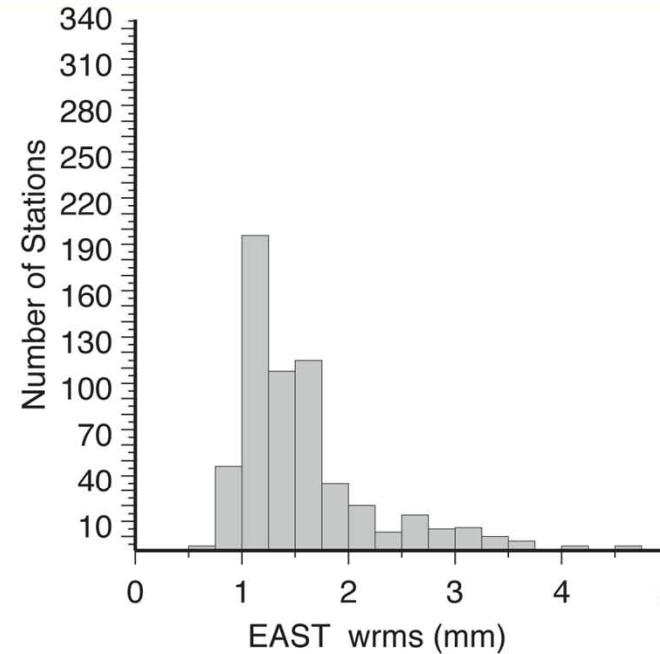


254 sites used to estimate daily rotation, translation and scale onto the North America Frame. Outlier detection during estimation.

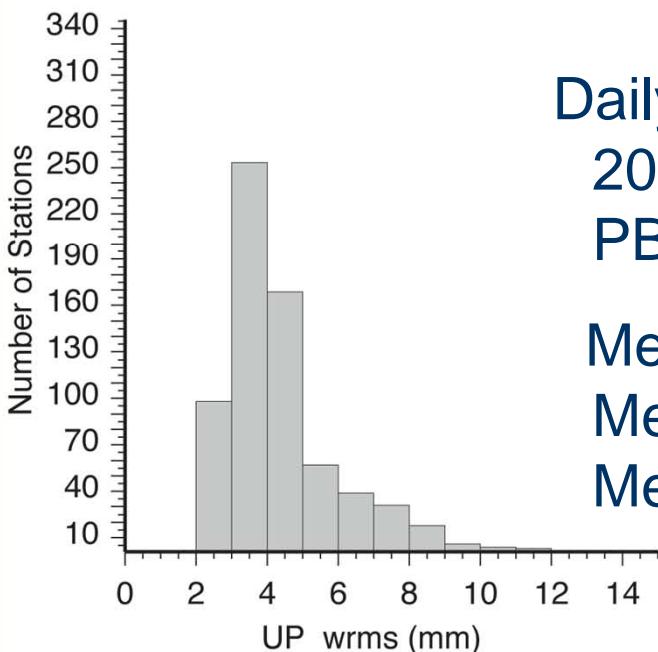
# RMS daily scatter: PBO Sites



Mean (mm) : 1.5 Sigma (mm) : 1.5 Stations: 691  
 50% < 1.1 (mm) 70% < 1.4 (mm) 95% < 3.3 (mm)



Mean (mm) : 1.7 Sigma (mm) : 1.6 Stations: 691  
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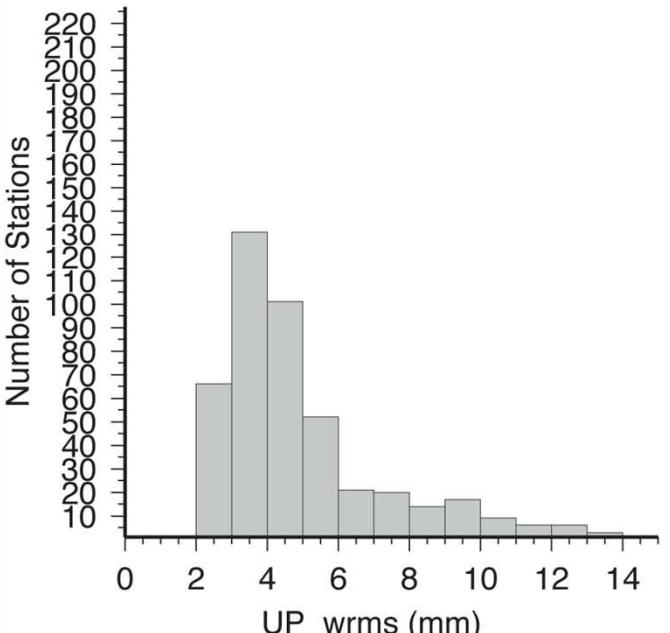
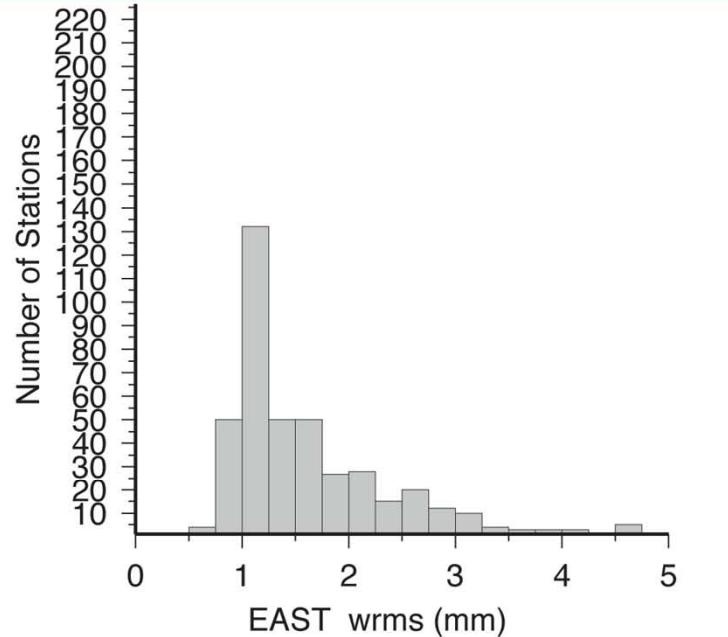
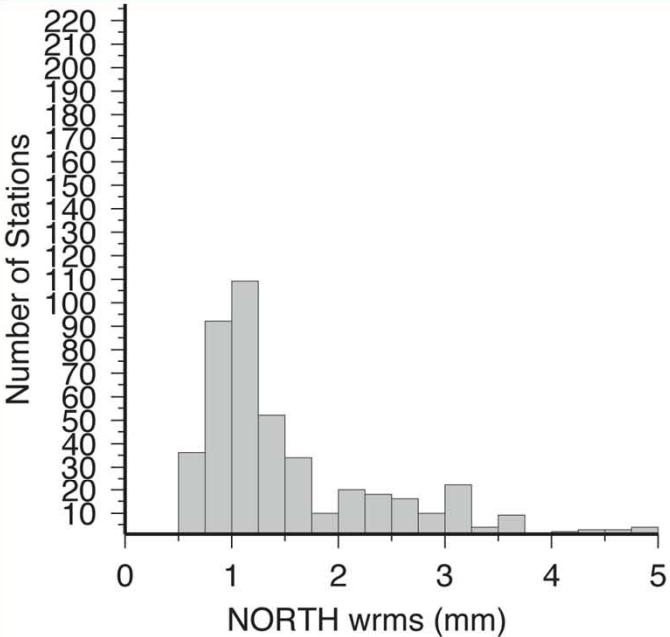


Daily RMS Scatters for 2004-  
 2007.9 Combined solution for  
 PBO Sites

Median North 1.1 mm  
 Median East 1.4 mm  
 Median Height 3.9 mm

Mean (mm) : 4.5 Sigma (mm) : 2.3 Stations: 691  
 50% < 3.9 (mm) 70% < 4.6 (mm) 95% < 8.1 (mm)

# Daily RMS Scatters: Nucleus Sites

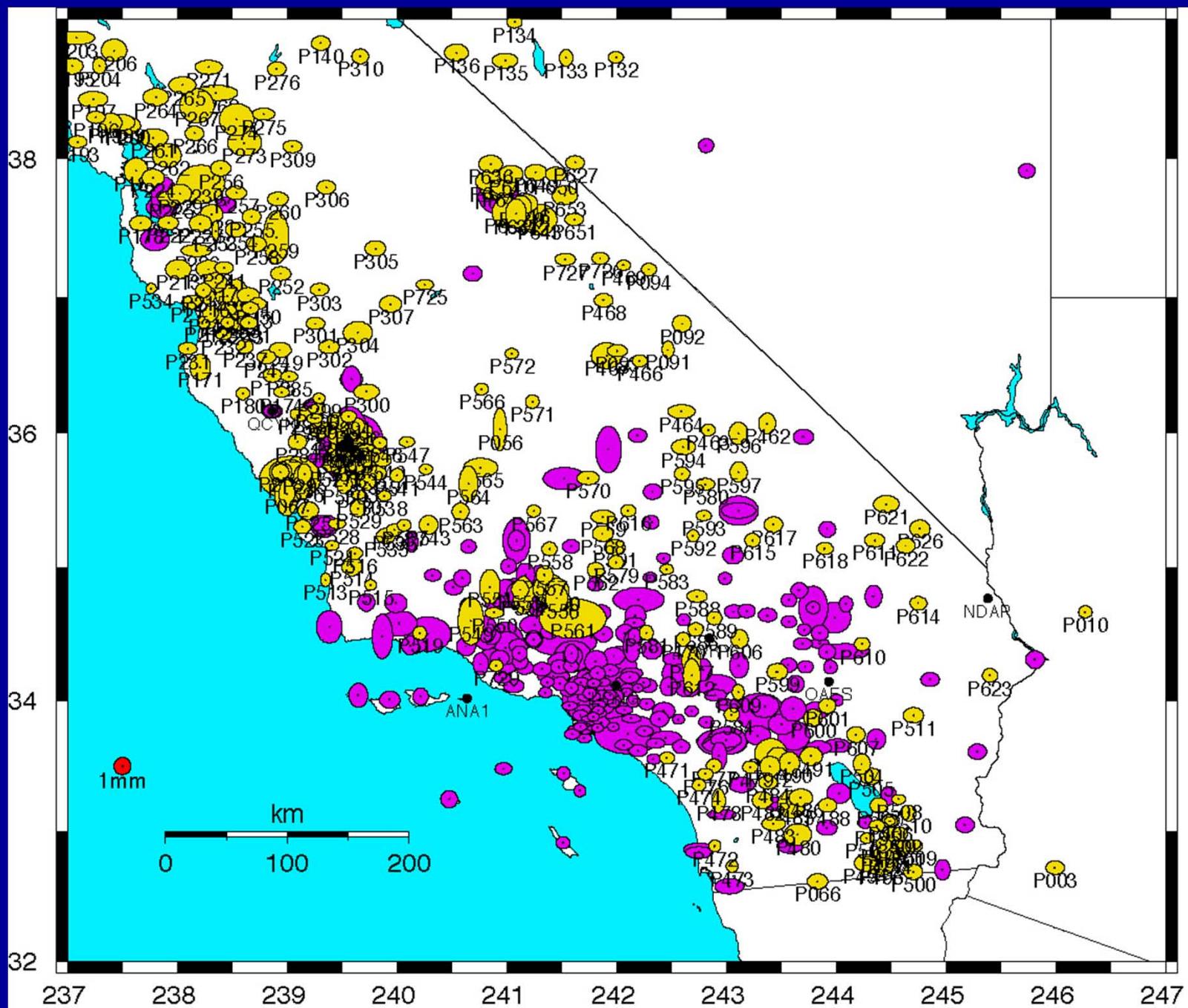


Daily RMS Scatters for  
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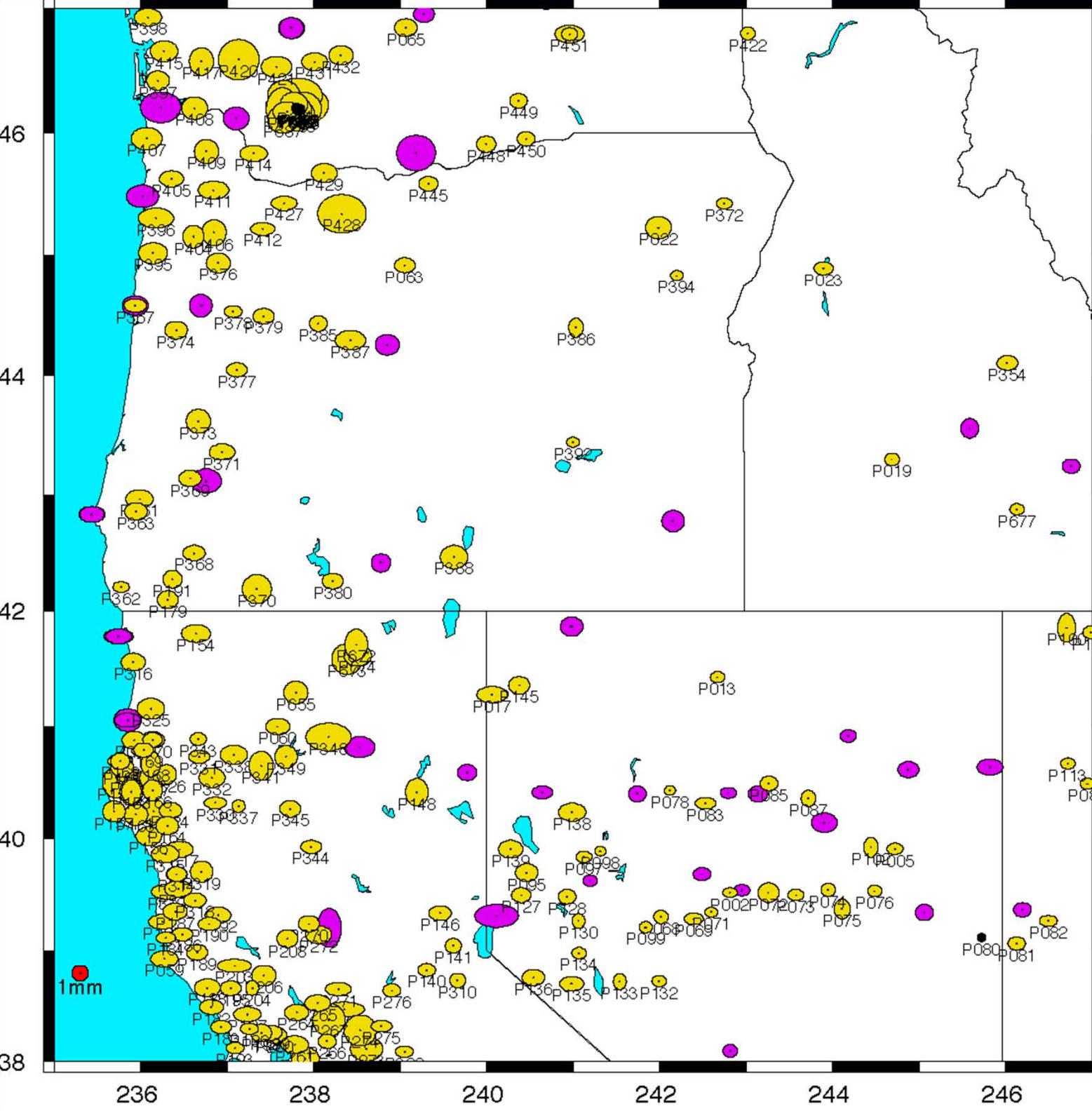
Median North      1.2 mm  
Median East        1.4 mm  
Median Height     4.2 mm

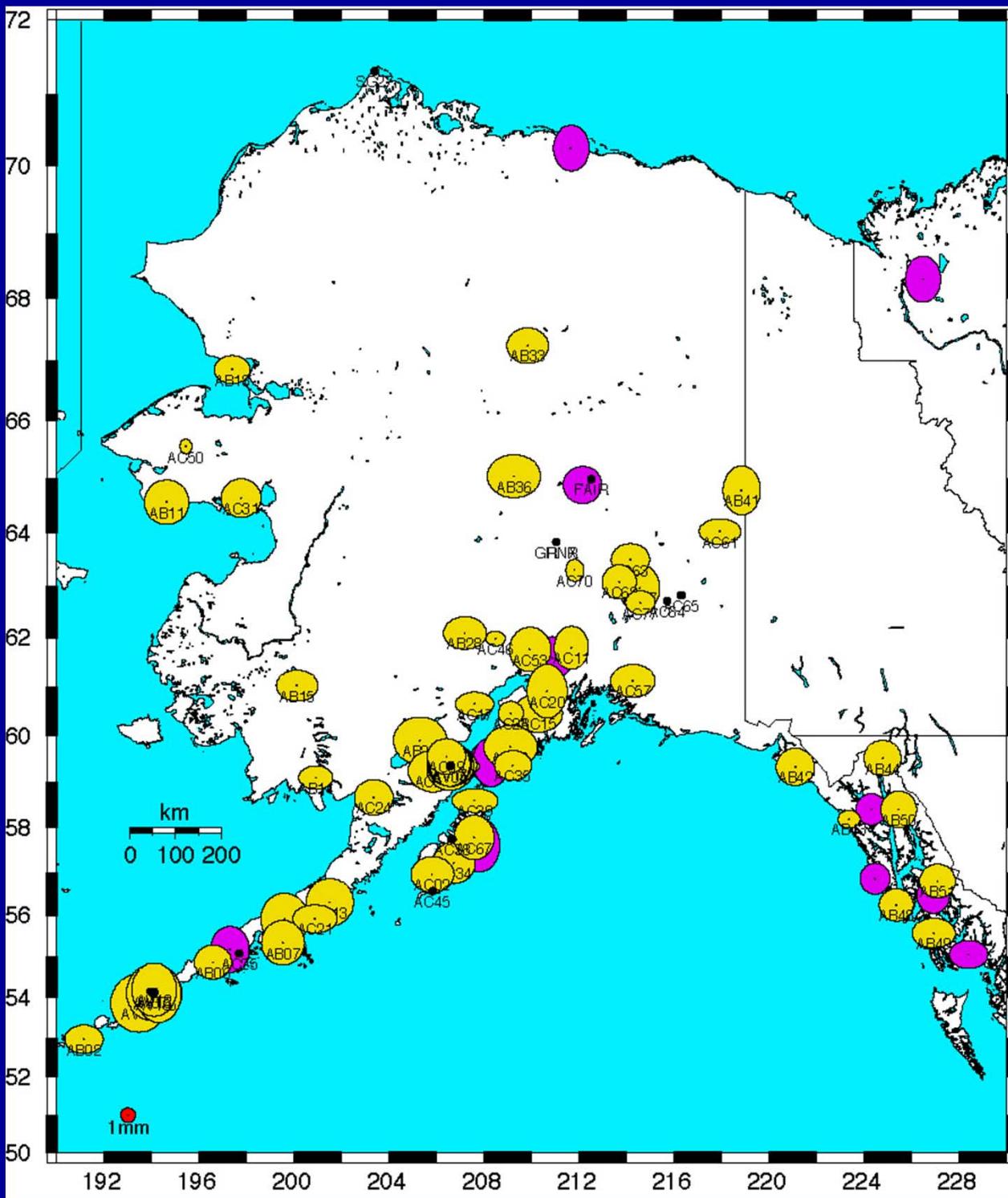
Nucleus are pre-existing GPS sites that will be merged into PBO at the end of construction (10/2008).

RMS scatters for Nucleus sites (purple) and PBO sites (yellow), RMS scatter > 3 mm (black, 1mm). Red circle shows 1 mm RMS scatter



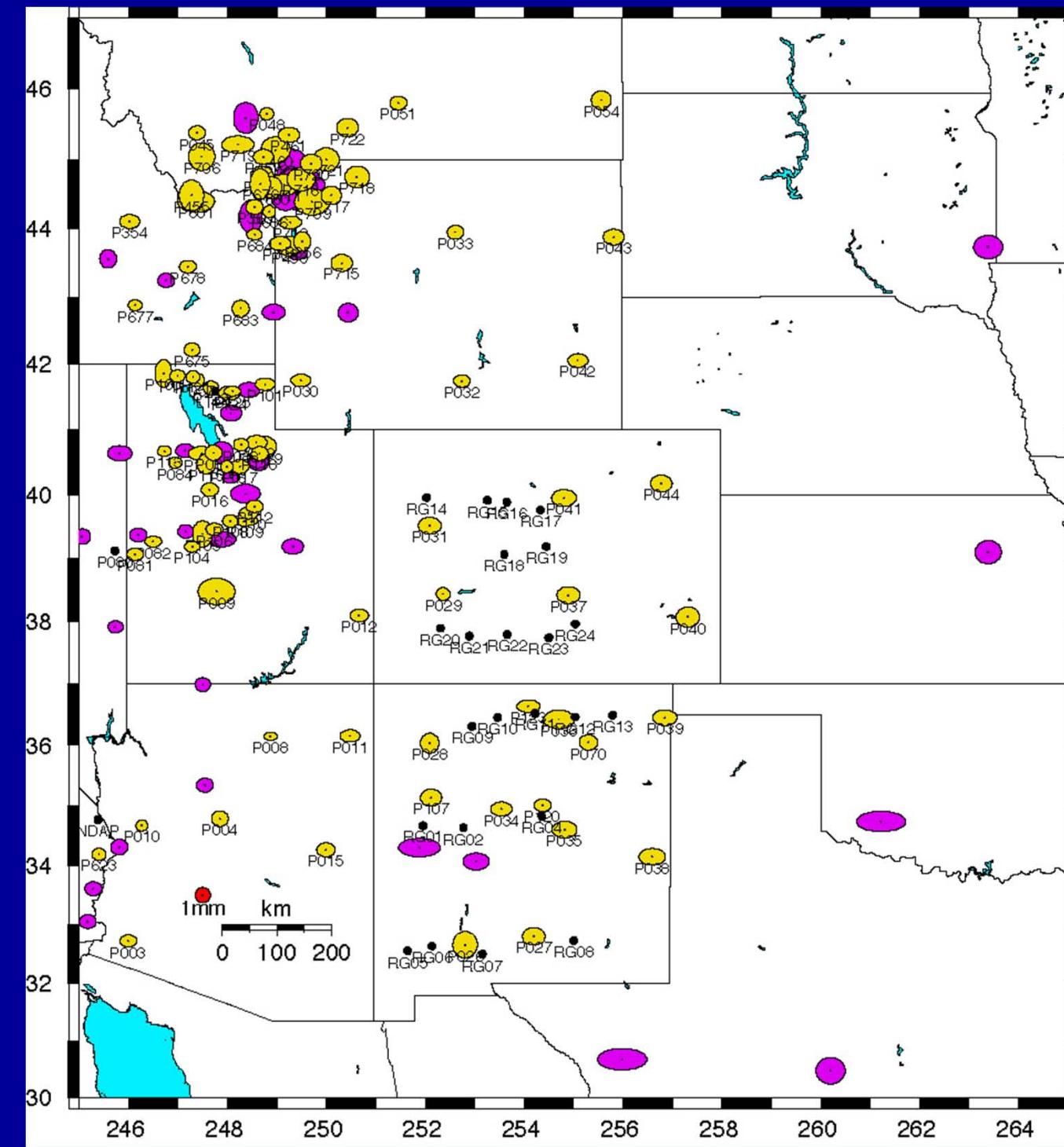
# Northern California sites





## Alaskan Sites

RMS scatter of these sites is higher than CONUS; regional frame stabilization yields only small improvement.

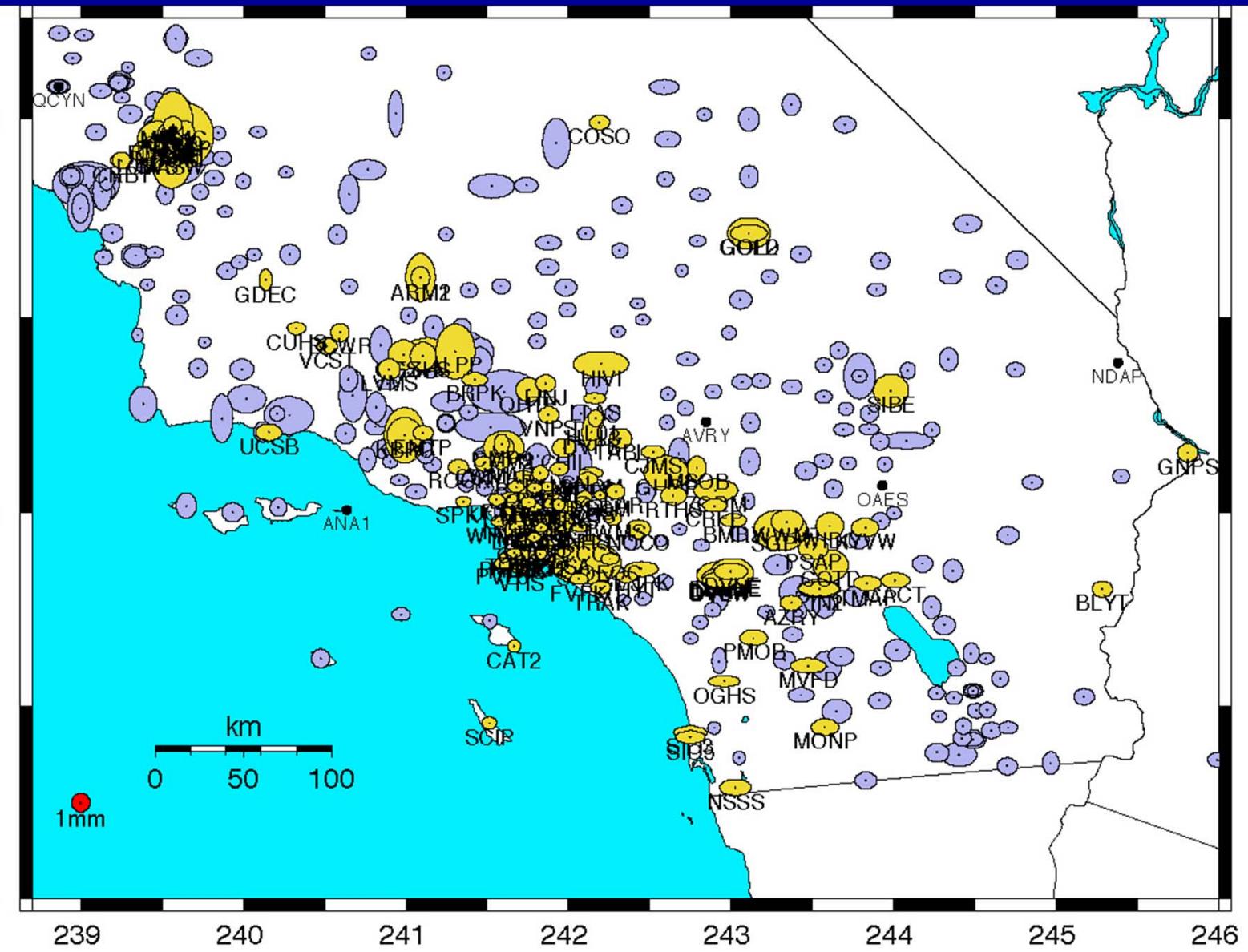


# Central US

The RG sites are mostly only processed by CWU and the results are very noisy.

Only one the RG sites is meant to be processed by CWU.

# SCIGN site analysis:

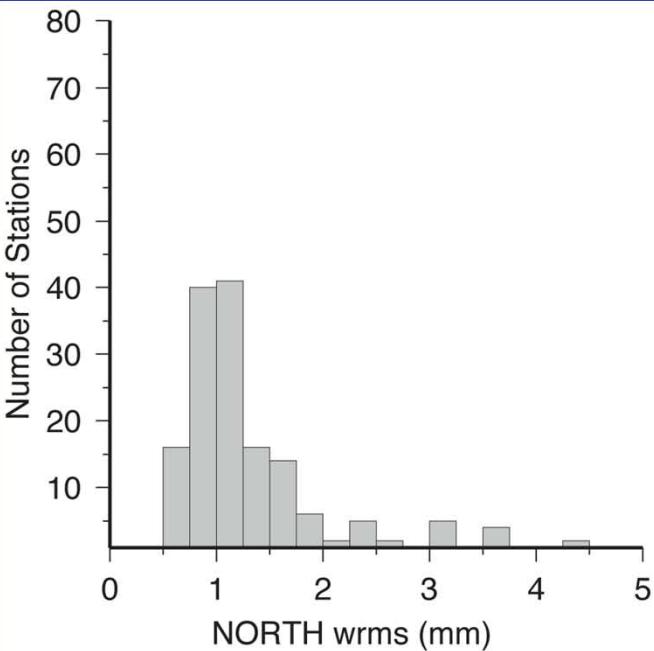


These results have implications for how well external or campaign processing can be incorporated into PBO.

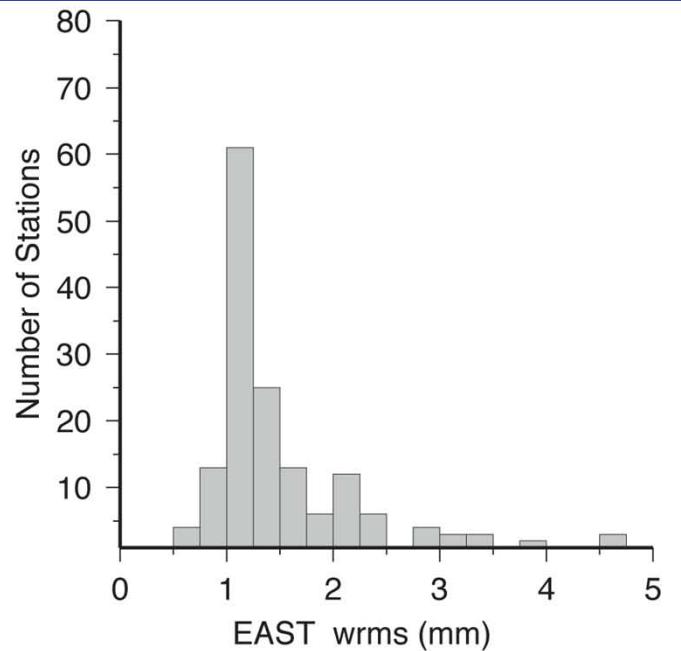
Current analysis looks very good.

# RMS Scatter of merged SGIGN sites

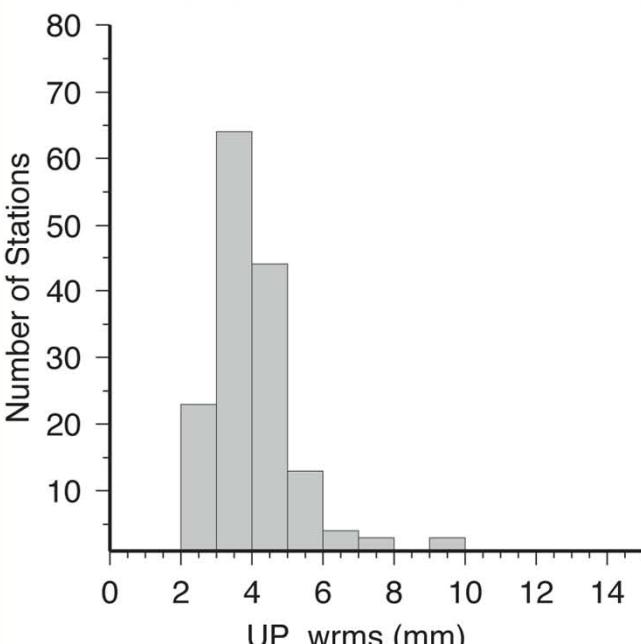
Quality is very similar to other PBO sites.



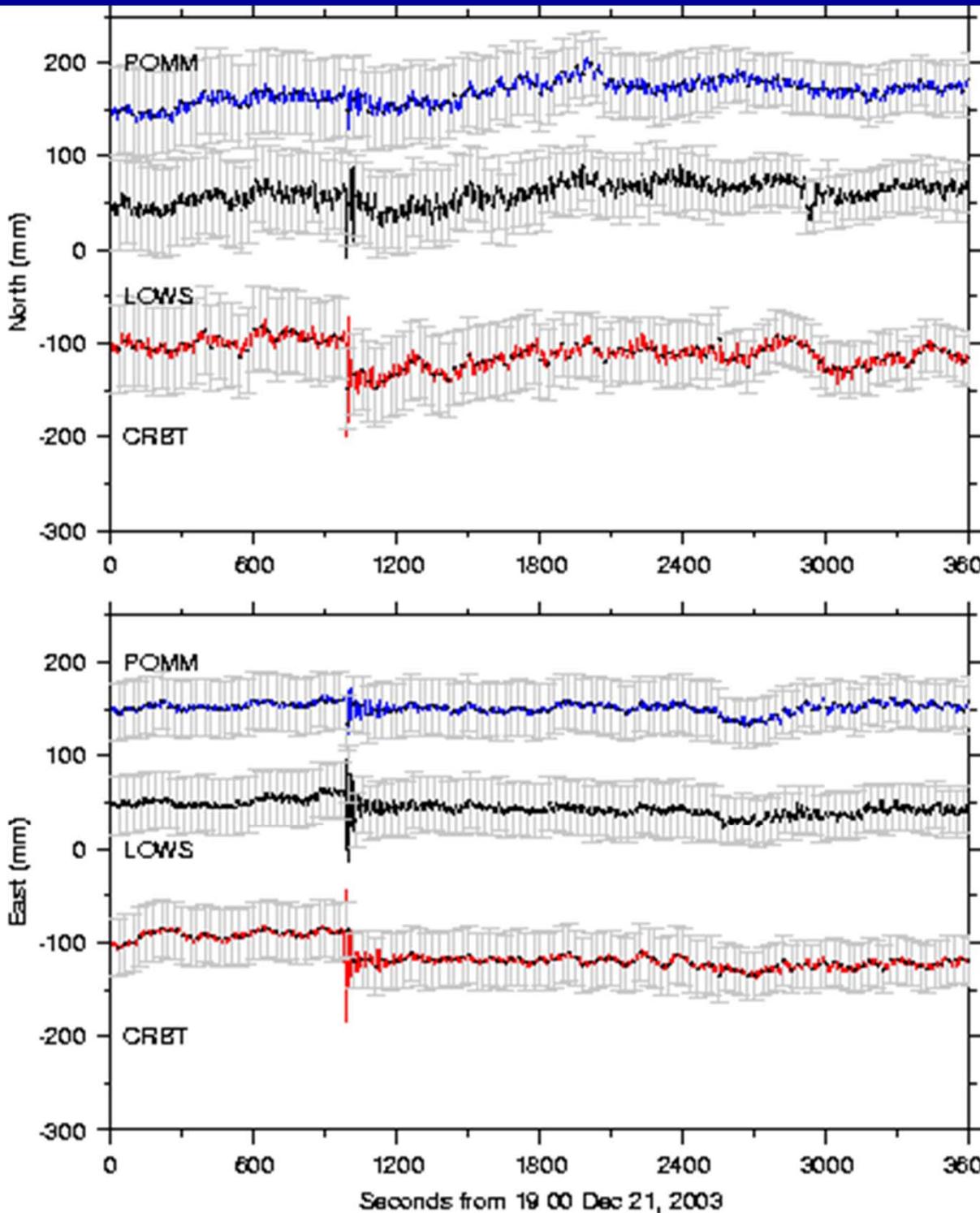
Mean (mm) : 1.5 Sigma (mm) : 1.0 Stations: 160  
50% < 1.1 (mm) 70% < 1.4 (mm) 95% < 3.5 (mm)



Mean (mm) : 1.6 Sigma (mm) : 1.0 Stations: 160  
50% < 1.3 (mm) 70% < 1.7 (mm) 95% < 3.8 (mm)

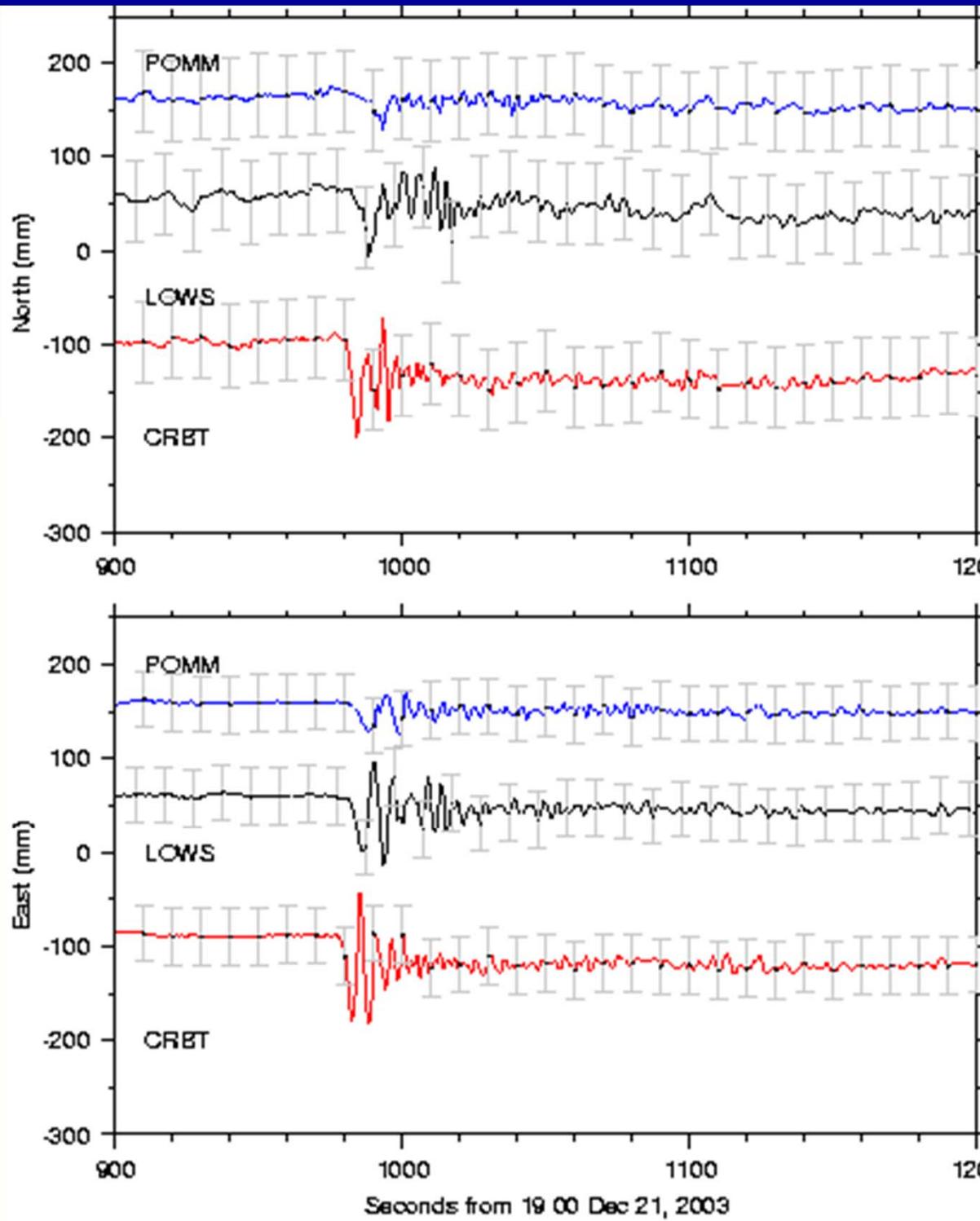


Mean (mm) : 4.4 Sigma (mm) : 2.5 Stations: 160  
50% < 3.8 (mm) 70% < 4.4 (mm) 95% < 9.6 (mm)



Arrival of surface waves from San Simeon Earthquake (1-Hz)

GPS stations around Parkfield operate at 1-Hz sampling rates, which allows us to study surface wave arrivals from nearby and large magnitude earthquakes



## Time zoom of arrivals

In addition to the surface waves, the static co-seismic offset can also be seen here.

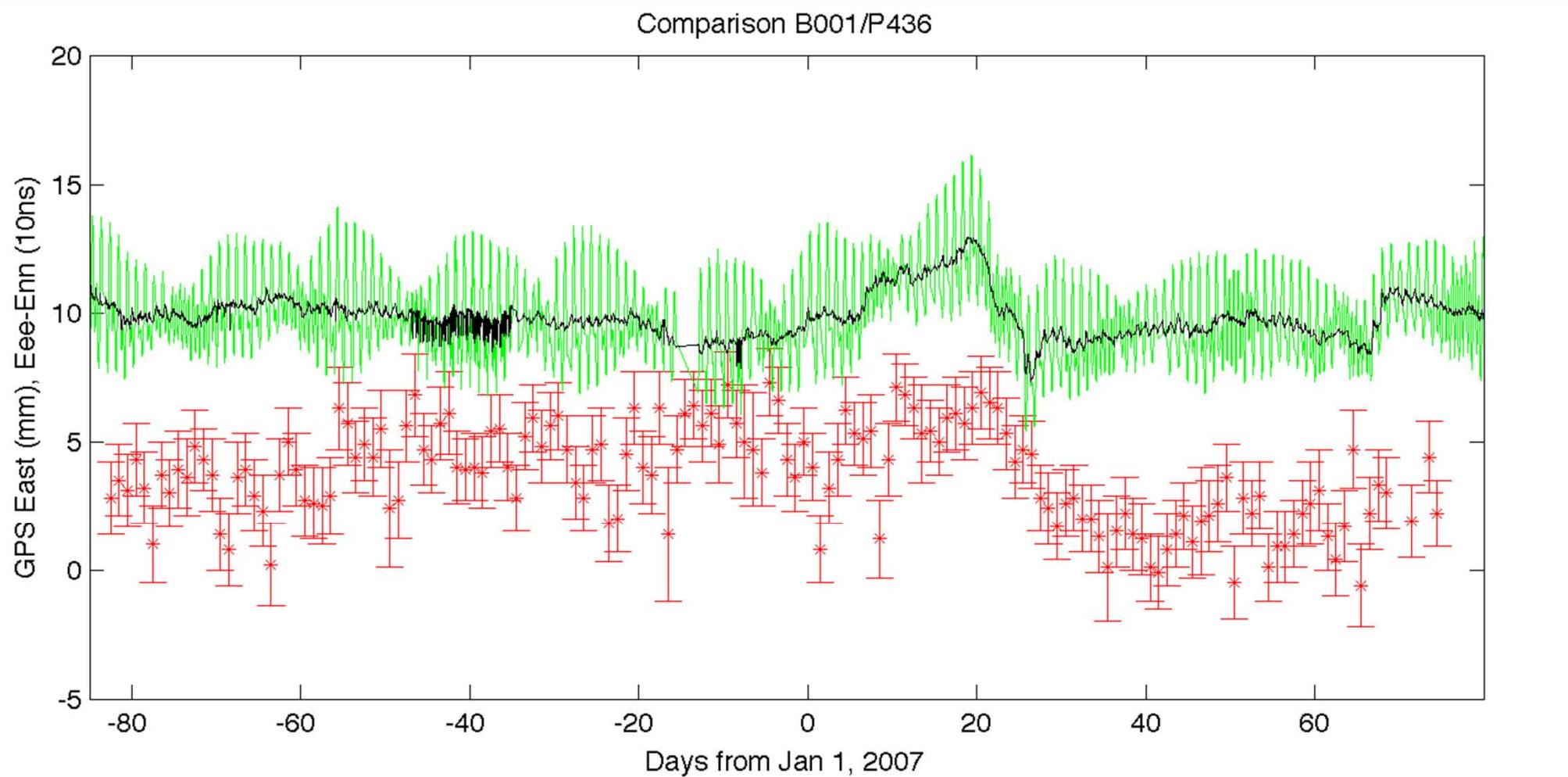
Real time high rate GPS data useful for surveying and engineering communities.

# Episodic Tremor and Slip (ETS) events in Cascadia (Pacific North West)

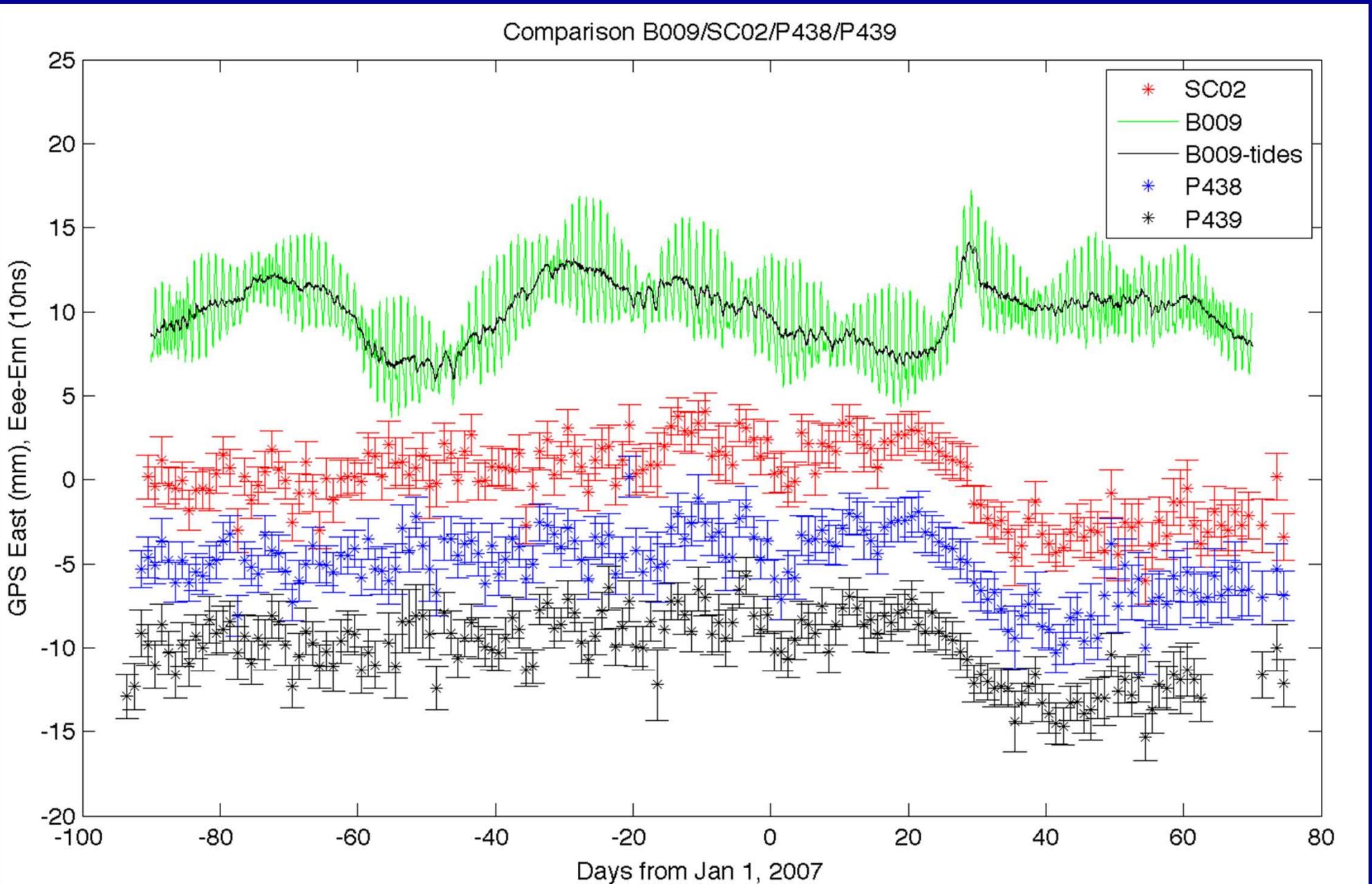
- Examine overlay of strainmeter results and GPS coordinates
- Strainmeters measure small displacements in bore-hole (10-cm diameter) to measure strain ( $\Delta l/l$ ). GPS measures the integrated effects of all strains between site and stable North America.
  - Strain meter data downloaded from:  
<http://pboweb.unavco.org/?pageid=89> level 2 processed data (ASCII form)
  - Files give gauge data calibrated to strain units with corrections offsets, trends and tides.
  - Four gauge readings converted to 3 components of strain in east, north and EN directions (Eee-Enn, Eee+Enn, 2Een) through gauge orientations and least-squares (could test rms here).
  - Eee-Enn strain compared GPS East coordinates after removing polynomial from strain.
  - Data available in a number of formats including SEED

# Borehole strainmeter GPS comparison

Transient appears shorter in strain record? However is this expected from spatially transient strain event: Position will see continued integration

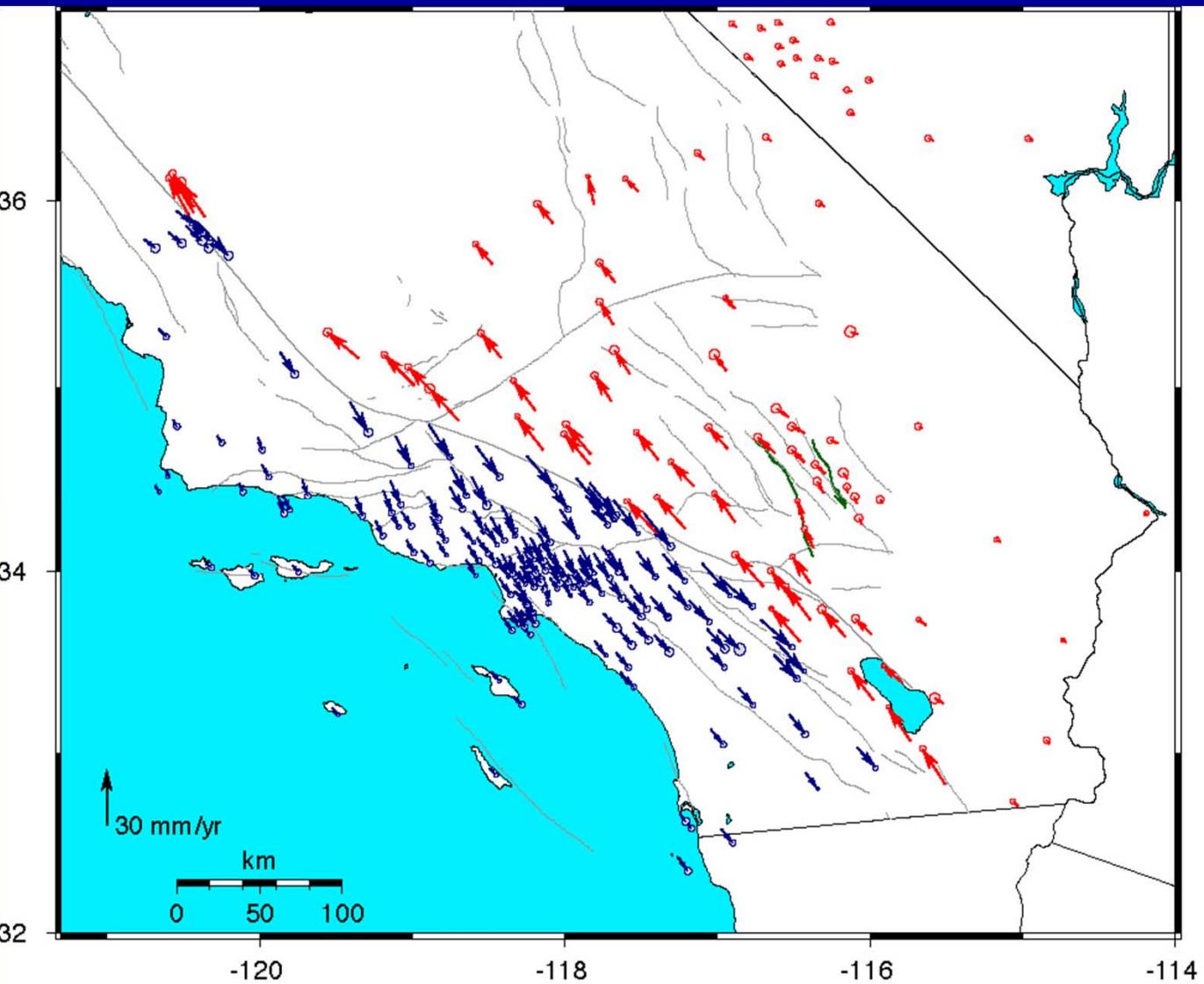


# Comparison in Northern Casadia/Vancouver Island



# Motions in California

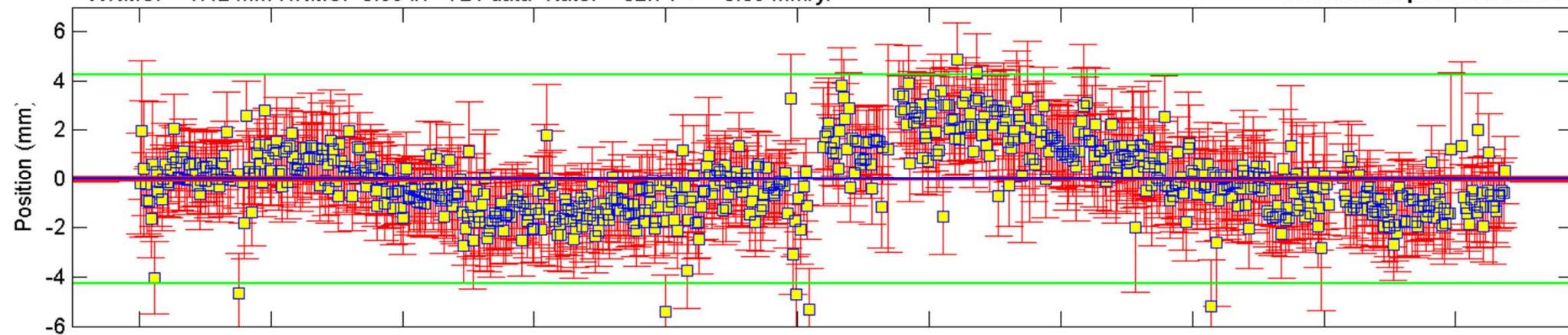
Red vectors relative to North America;  
Blue vectors relative to Pacific



Motion across  
the plate  
boundary is ~50  
mm/yr.  
In 100-years this  
is 5 meters of  
motion which is  
released in large  
earthquakes  
Look at  
motion here<sub>19</sub>

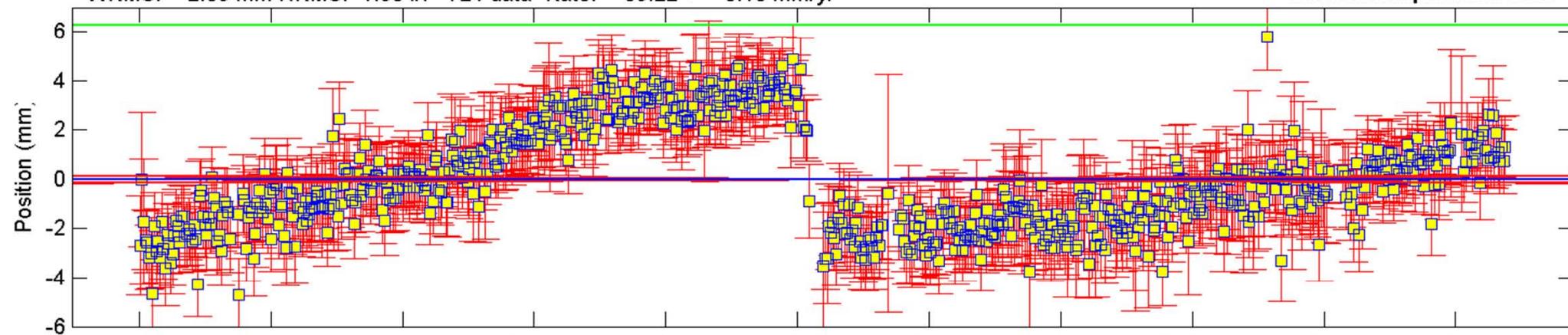
WRMS: 1.42 mm NRMS: 0.95 #: 724 data Rate: 32.74 +- 0.09 mm/yr

Data BBDM.pbo.final North



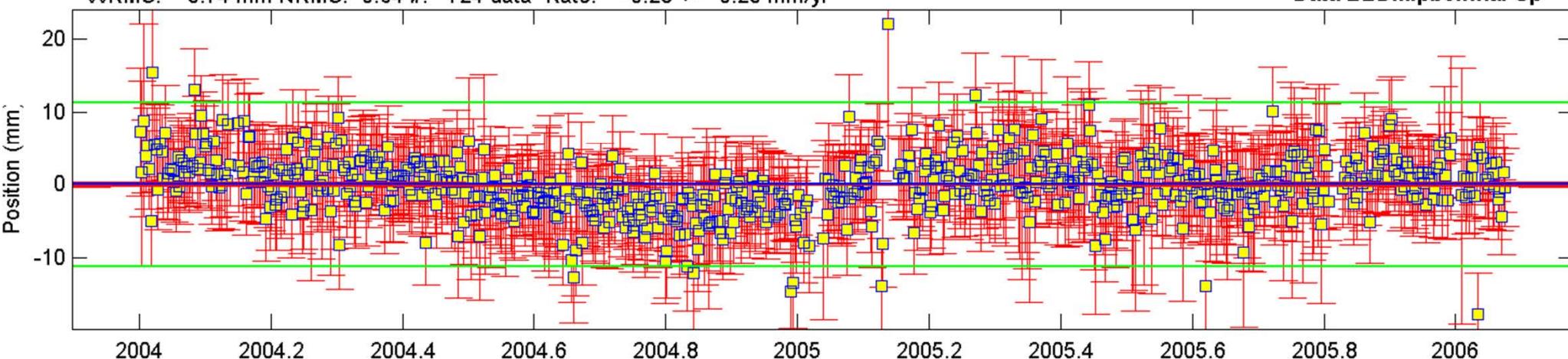
WRMS: 2.09 mm NRMS: 1.50 #: 724 data Rate: -35.22 +- 0.13 mm/yr

Data BBDM.pbo.final East



WRMS: 3.74 mm NRMS: 0.64 #: 724 data Rate: -0.28 +- 0.23 mm/yr

Data BBDM.pbo.final Up

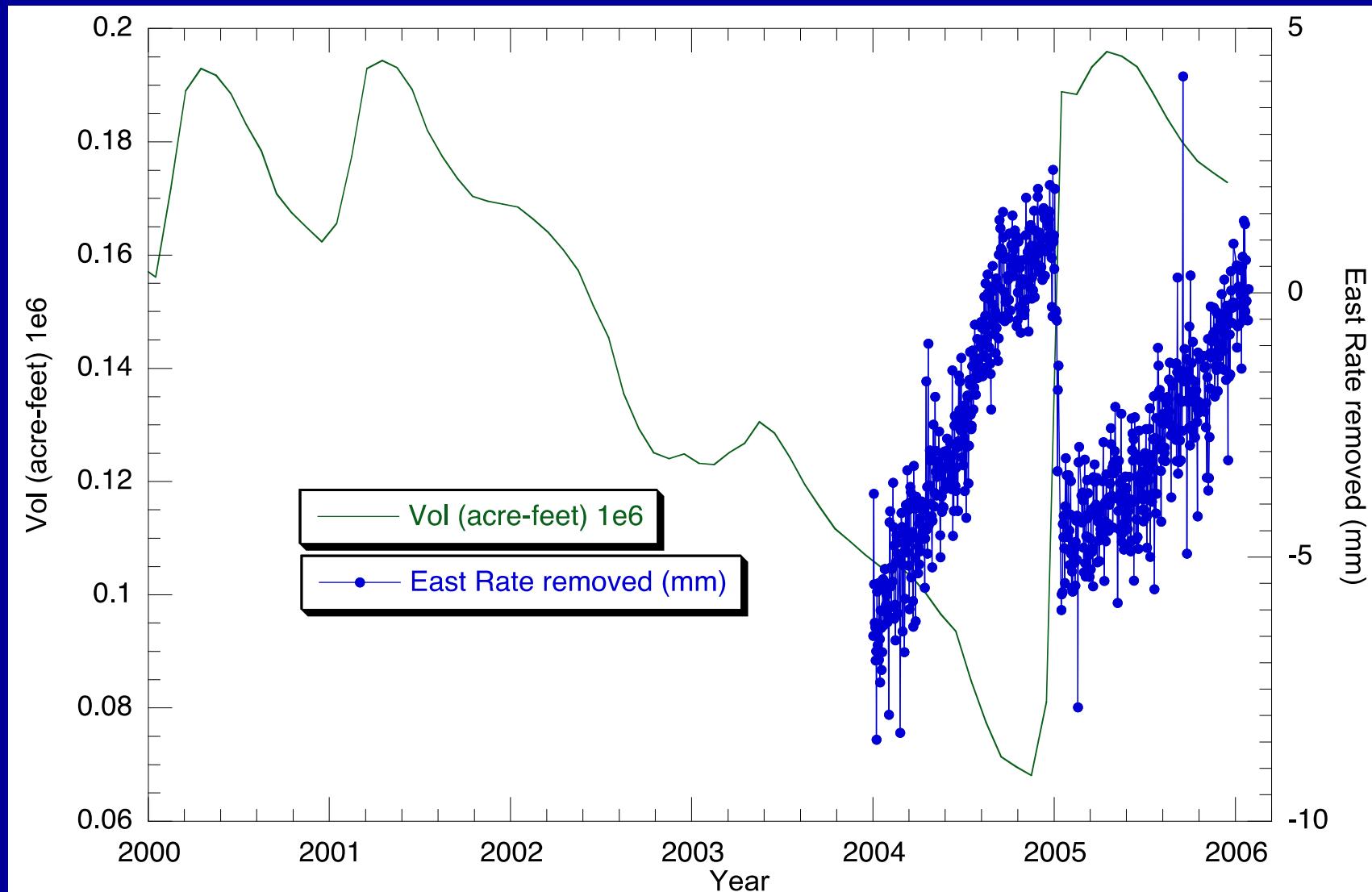


# Site BBDM (using GoogleEarth)

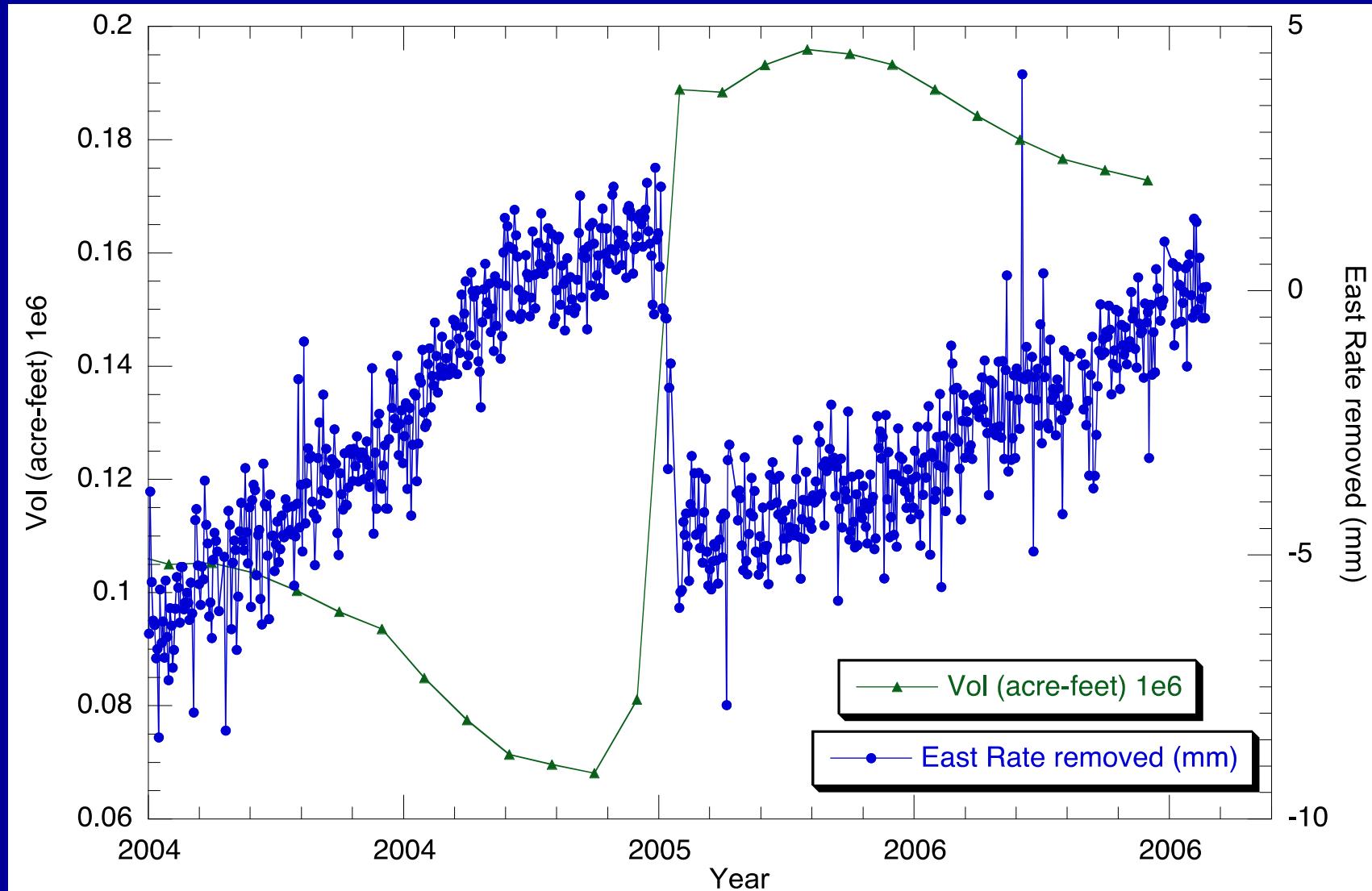
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# Water level in DAM versus site east coordinate



# Closer Look (water change is rapid)



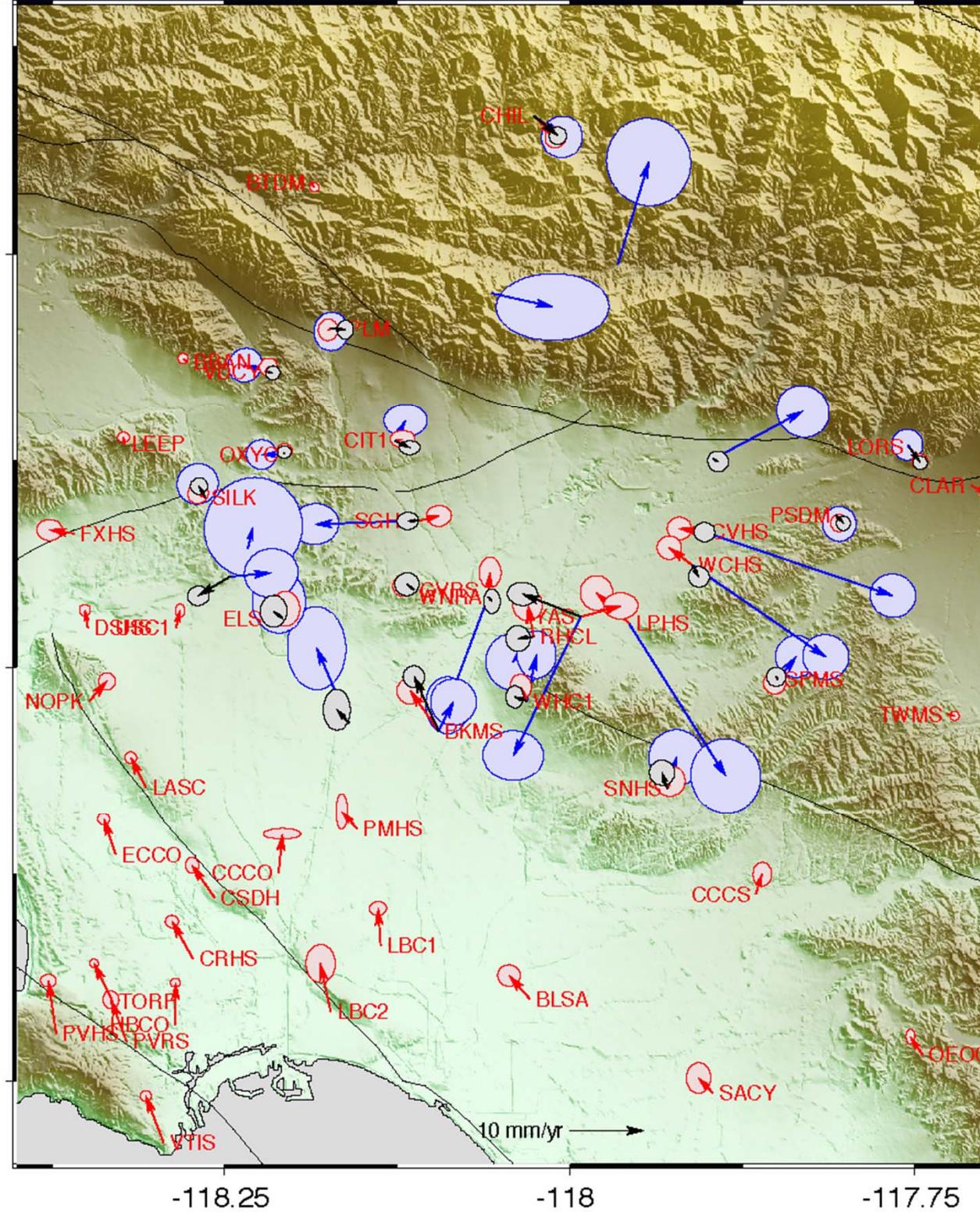
# Another Water effect

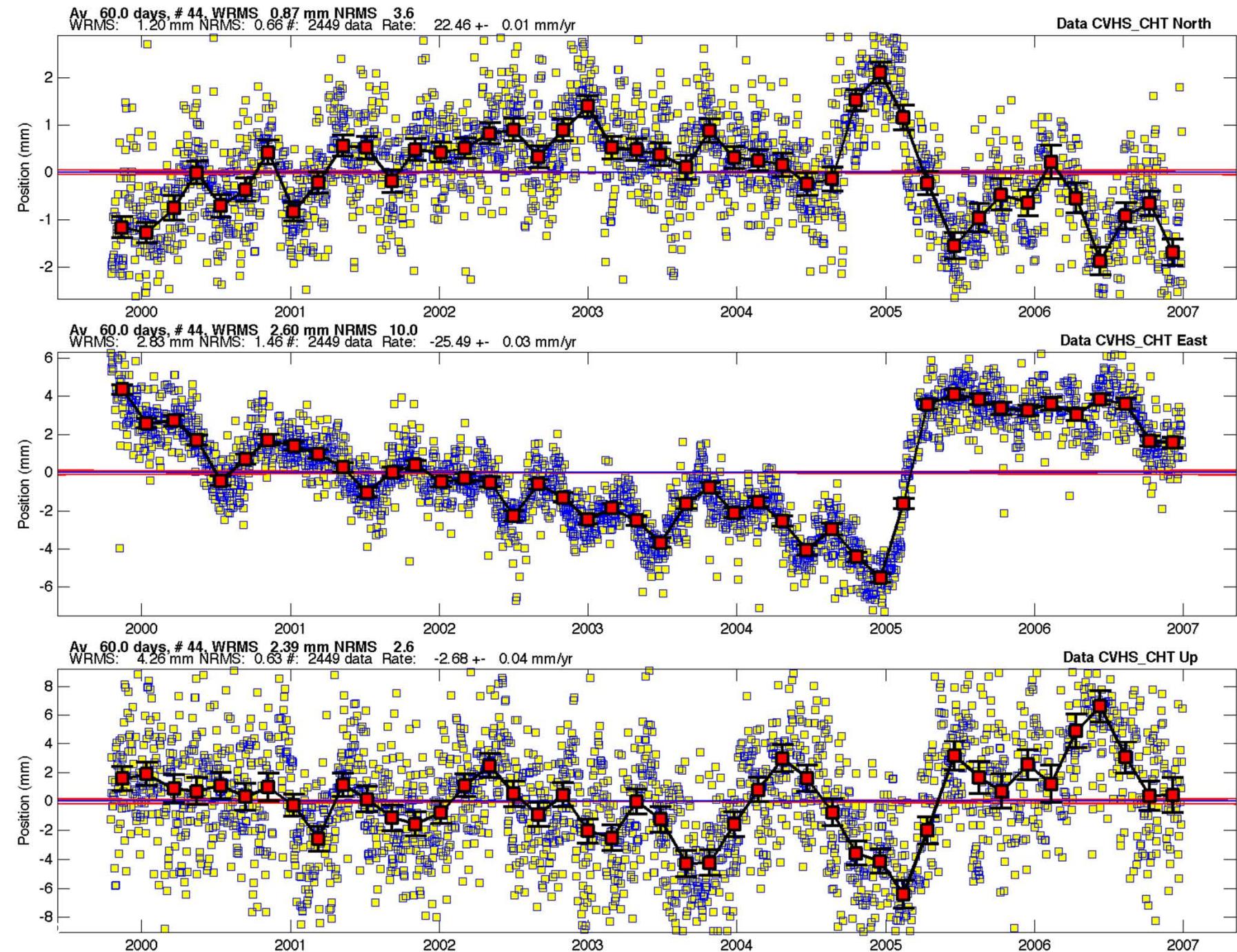
2005-Anomaly  
Baldwin Park Areas

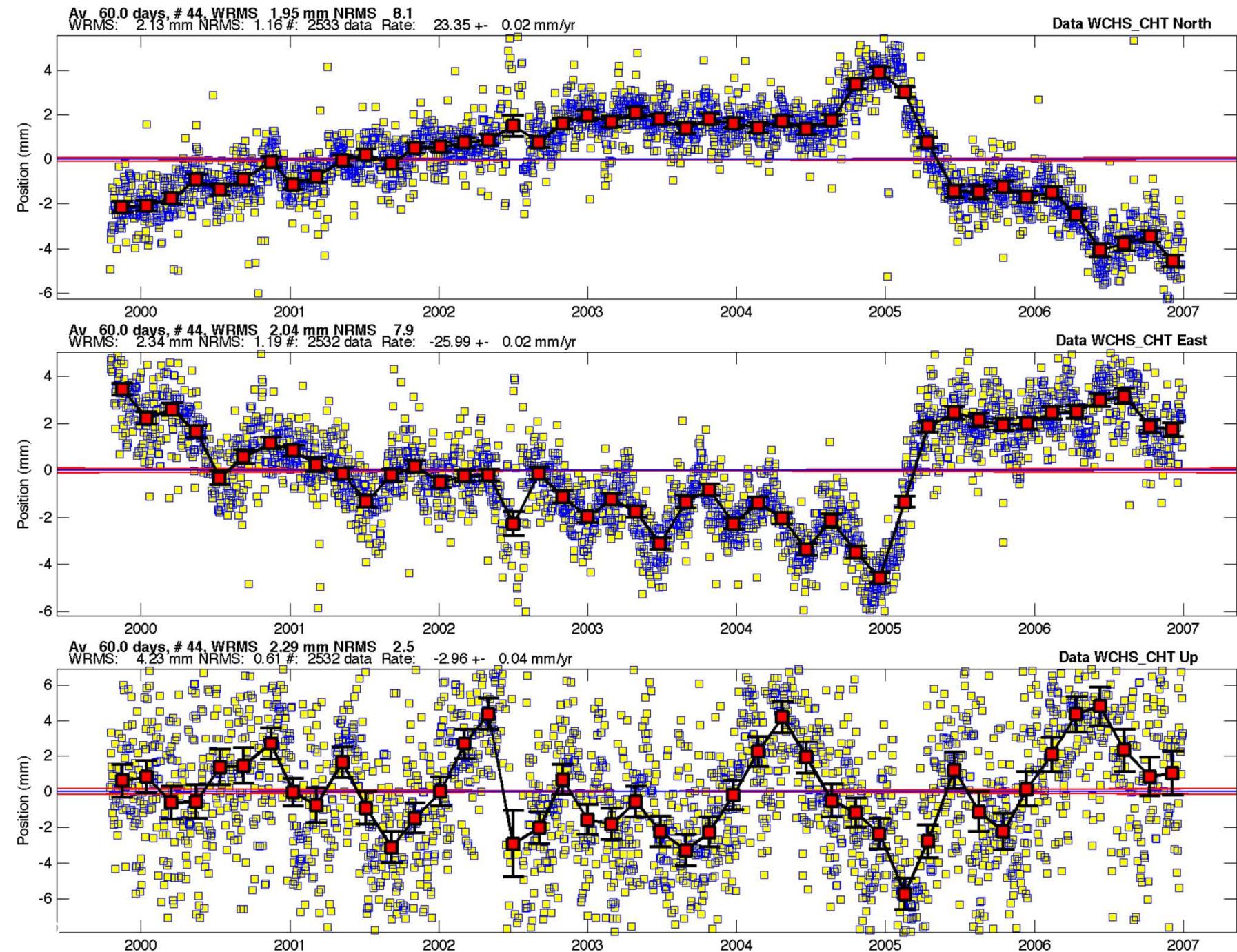
Velocity Legend

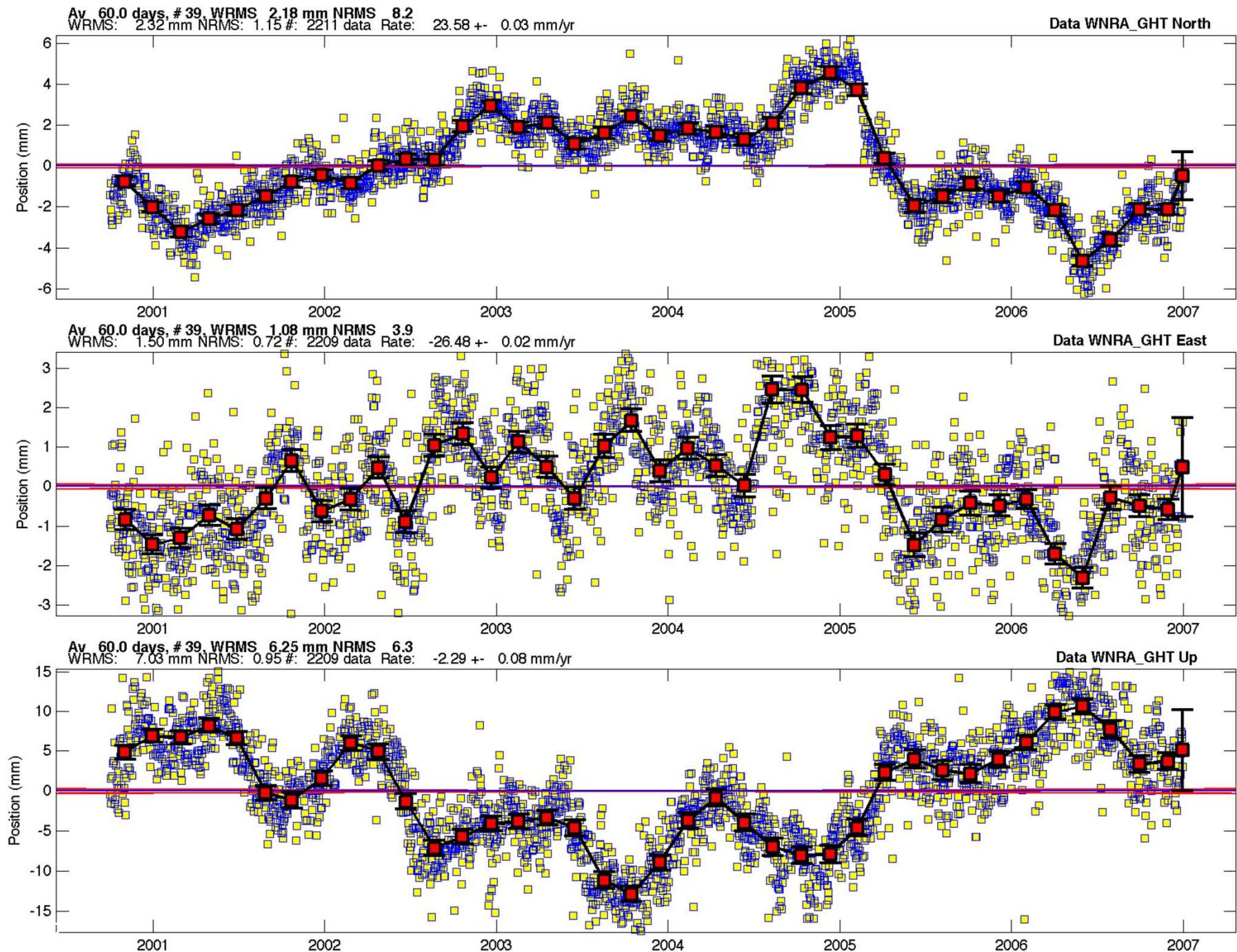
Red: 2003-2005;  
Blue 2005-2005.5;  
Black 2005.5-2007

Examine 3 sites







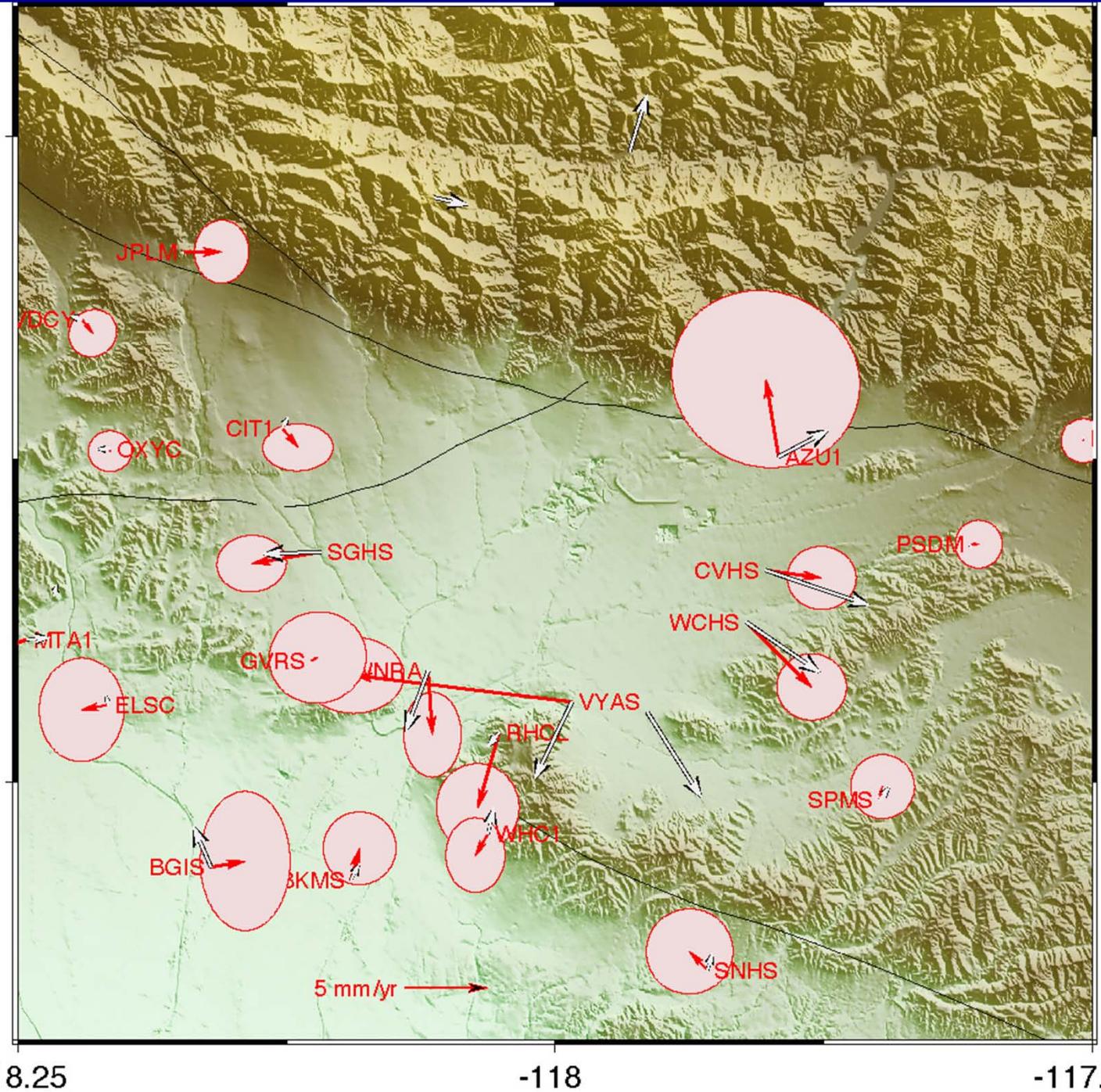


# Baldwin Hills Velocity anomaly

Change in velocity  
(2003-2005) minus  
(2005.5-2007.)  
95% confidence  
ellipses

Grey scaled  
version of 2005  
rate

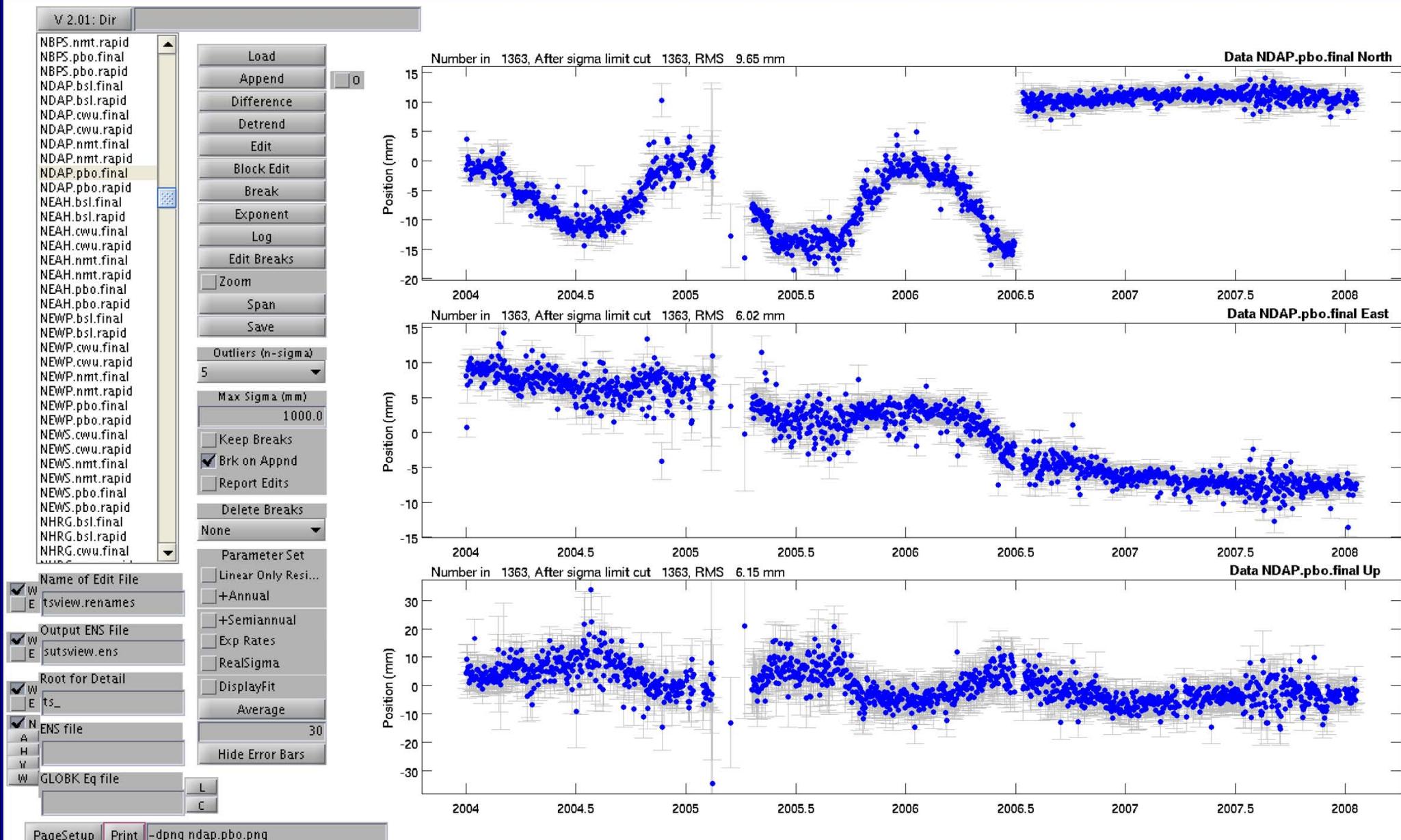
Rapid response  
thought be due  
to water; reason  
for long term  
change not clear



# Summary of Water Effects

- While onset on motion in 2005 in Baldwin region coincides with heavy rains; the motions in this region continue well after the end of rains.
- BBDM: Dam site shows rapid response to water changes in the dam and so effect in basin seem to be of a different nature.

# Cautions: Bad antenna artifact (several sites of this nature)



# Repeating slow earthquakes in Pacific North West

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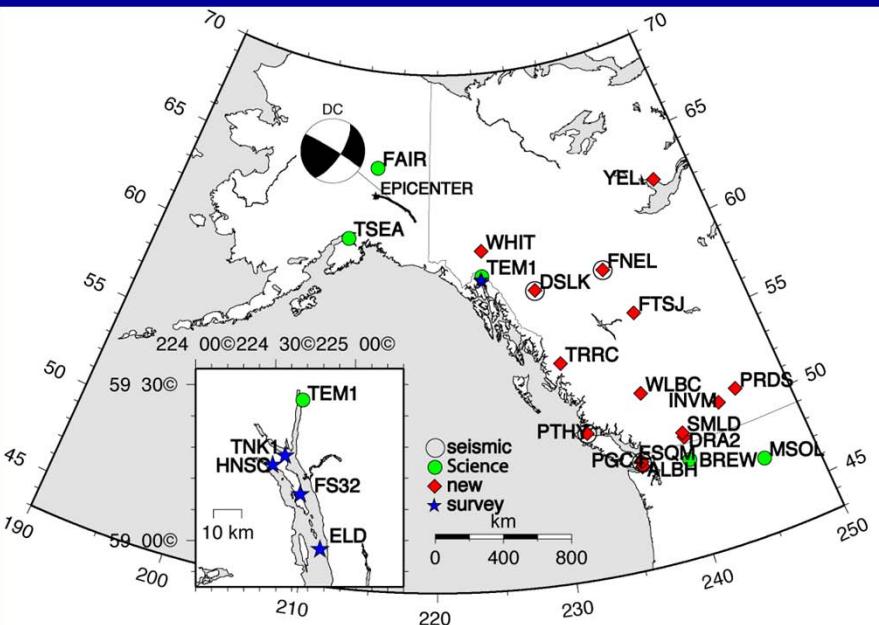
Please see: Larson, K., P. Bodin, and J. Gomberg.  
Using 1 Hz GPS Data to Measure Deformations  
Caused by the Denali Fault Earthquake. *Science*  
300 (2003): 1421-1424.

Example of repeating “slow” earthquakes (no rapid rupture)

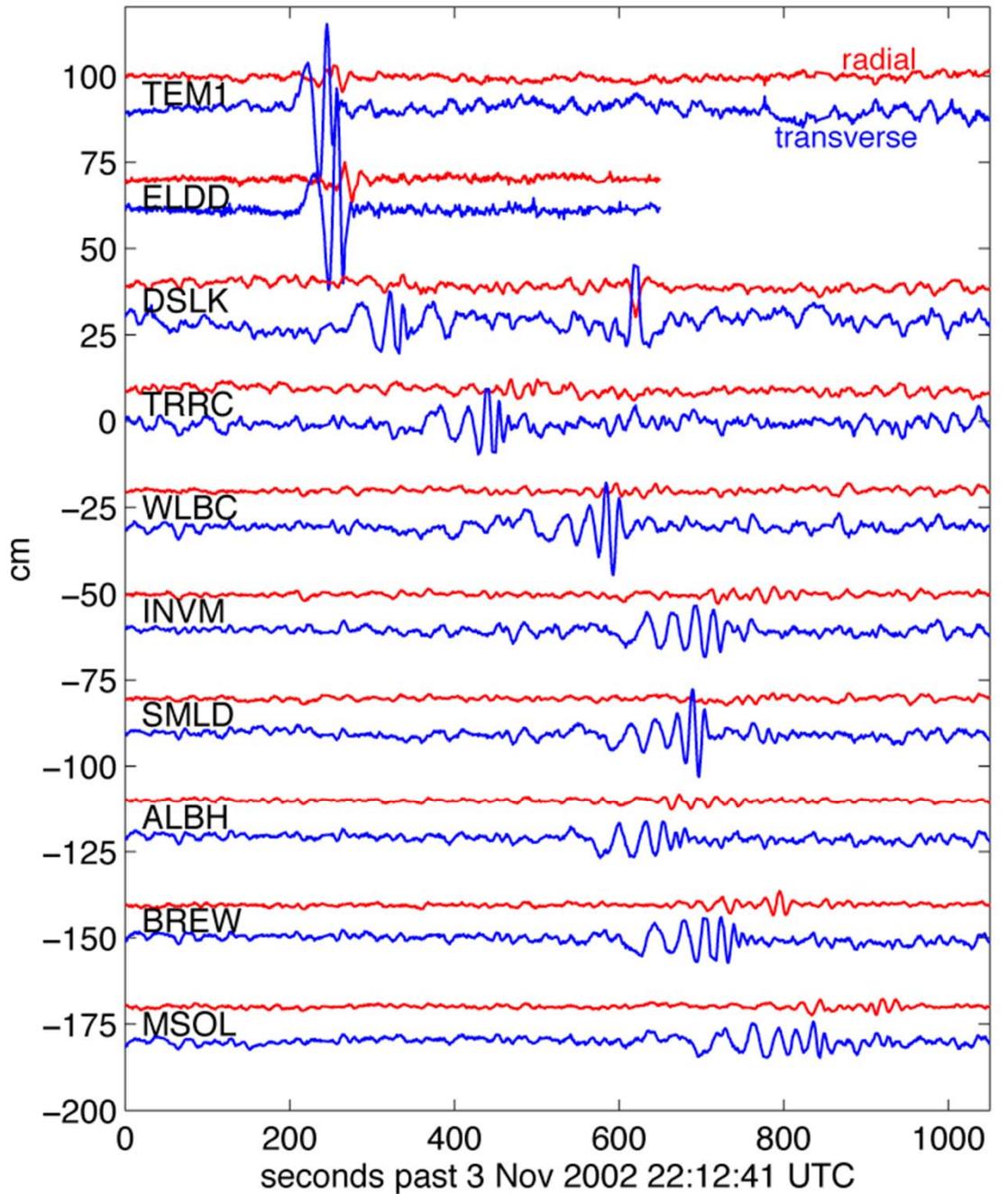
These events give insights into material properties and nature of time dependence of deformation

# GPS Measured propagating seismic waves

Data from 2002 Denali earthquake



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# Tools

- Most modern GPS analyses now contain hundreds of GPS sites
- For the remainder of the lecture we examine results with the GAMIT/GLOBK matlab tools available at:  
<http://www-gpsg.mit.edu/~tah/GGMatlab>
- Current programs are velview and tsview.

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