



THE SEISMIC NETWORK OF ZAPOPAN: EVALUATING THE LOCAL SEISMICITY OF THE WESTERN GUADALAJARA METROPOLITAN ZONE



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Tectonic Setting

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Western Mexico is one of the most seismically active regions in the country; this region includes the states of Jalisco, Colima, and Nayarit. The Jalisco Block (JB) is a tectonic unit limited by the rift zones of Colima (CoR), Tepic-Zacoalco (TZR) and Chapala (CR) and the subduction zone along the Middle American Trench (MAT).

Our study area is located at the end of the TZR in the Guadalajara Metropolitan Zone (GMZ). Currently, the GMZ is the second most populated city in Mexico. In this scenario, the La Primavera Caldera is located in the western part of GMZ, within the Zapopan Municipality.



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The Jalisco region has experienced more than 20 destructive earthquakes of magnitude greater or equal to 7.0 with epicenters along the coast and inland, historical macroseismic data for the region date back to 1544 (Núñez-Cornú, 2011). Núñez-Cornú et al. (2018) reported that in the past 474 years, there were at least 22 major earthquakes with M > 7.0 in the Jalisco region not all due to the subduction process.





□ Historical Earthquakes with M > 7 **1567** 1577 1818 1875 1878 Seismic Swarms D. 1685 – 1687 1770 – 1771 1806 1844 **1912 2015 - 2016**



Seismicity: 3 Sept 2017 – 1 Dic 2018.



During the CeMIEGeo P-24 project, a temporary seismic network was installed in the Sierra de La Primavera and surrounding areas and consisted of 25 stations distributed with an average distance of 2 to 3 km between each. This shows the seismicity recorded (207 events) in the Zapopan area from September 2017 to January 2018 with magnitudes between 0.5 and 3.8. Authors

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- Recently, different studies of seismic swarms have occurred in the study area.
 - The previous figure shows the relocations of the seismic sequences of December 2015 and May 2016 with two apparent alignments with direction NS to W of GMZ with lengths of 10 km (West) and 16 km (East), being able to generate ML events up to 6.2 and 6.5, respectively.
 - The proposed focal mechanism is predominantly normal, suggesting the existence of Graben de Zapopan.
 - P-24 Project established the region continues being seismically active, so more geophysical and geological studies are necessary to confirm these tectonic structures.



The Seismic Network of Zapopan (RESAZ)

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- At the end of 2016, the Agreement between the Municipality of Zapopan and the Research Group CA-UDG-276 Centro de Sismología y Volcanología de Occidente (SisVOc) was signed.
- Objective: Install seismic stations and monitor the geophysical parameters of the active tectonic structures to characterize the focal mechanisms of seismicity, refine the locations of events that occur within the Municipality and associate it with the active structures.
- The data will be available for Zapopan Civil Defense to mitigate and reduce risk and vulnerability in the municipality.



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- At the beginning of 2018, the resources for the acquisition of the seismic and accelerometric stations begin to arrive.
- In April and May 2018, the sheds that house the seismic stations begin to be built in the unpopulated regions of Zapopan, and ABZJ is installed.
- By 2019, the five stations are entirely installed, and at the end of 2019, the telemetry is connected.





Deployment map of the Seismic Network of Zapopan (RESAZ) and CPRJ from RESAJ. Red triangles denote seismic and accelerometric stations installed in the first stage, and purple ones will be installed in the second stage.





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The Jalisco Seismic Network of Zapopan (RESAZ)

- Data Acquisition Systems
 - ABZJ, IXZJ & COZJ
 - Obsidian Digitizer 8X (Kinemetrics)
 - Episensor sensor at 200 sps
 - Lennartz LE3D sensor at 100 sps
 - DOZJ & CCZJ
 - Obsidian Digitizer 4X (Kinemetrics) with internal accelerometer at 200 sps



The Jalisco Seismic Network of Zapopan (RESAZ)

Earthquake recorded by RESAZ stations

Location

09/03/2020 (069)

23:49:54.28 (GMT)

□ (20.7463°, -103.5748°)

10.62 km

□ M_L 3.9





Work in progress

Station review and data extraction Deployment fo the last station of the first stage and second stage stations

Calibration of the automatic system of data acquisition and event location (ANTELOPE)

Detection of errors derived from the installation (power and telemetry failures) Installation of the acquisition system at the Civil Protection headquarters in Zapopan





Thanks a lot!



