

**UTAH SEISMIC SAFETY COMMISSION**  
**Quarterly Meeting**

**Agenda**

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Friday, April 2, 2004  
Room B-110, State Office Building

9:00 a.m.	Welcome, approval of minutes	B. Welliver
9:10	Introduction of new Commissioners	B. Welliver
	WSSPC nominations	Commission
	10-year anniversary	P McDonough
	July elections	B. Welliver
	Report on 2004 Earthquake Conference	G. Christenson
	Report on 2004 Technical Working Group meetings	G. Christenson
	Report on Legislative actions	B. Welliver
	SEAU – Buildings initiative/ International Building Code	Carl Eriksson/ B. Welliver
	Dec. 22, 2003 San Simeon earthquake	B. Welliver
10:00	Discuss March 16 “Strategic Planning” meeting results 1. USSC progress – Dec. 2000 to present	Committee (attachment)
10:30	Break	
10:45	Continue “Strategic Planning” discussion 2. Seismic safety report card 3. Strategic directions	Committee Commission Commission
11:55	Set date for July 2004 meeting	Commission
12:00 noon	Adjourn	

## Strategic Planning Committee

### 1. USSC Progress – December 2000 to Present

- *Geologic Hazards Reviews for Utah Schools*. Utah Geologic Survey reviews hazard reports for the State Office of Education and recommends whether to approve proposed school sites. (10/13/02)
- *Student Research Grants Program*. Allocated seed money for secondary school research opportunities in earthquake related topics. (10/13/02)
- *Parapet Ordinance Brochure*. USSC helped sponsor the creation of an information brochure used to educate building owners, public officials, and others about the existing state parapet strengthening ordinance. (10/13/02)
- *Post Earthquake Clearinghouse*. USSC to participate in planning of Utah clearinghouse. (01/12/01)
- *Seismic Hazards Mapping and Geologic Hazard Conference*. USSC helps sponsor workshop to focus on methods of assessment and mitigation of geologic hazards. (01/12/01)
- *Earthquake Safety in Utah, December 2000*. Commission presents its update of the strategic plan to the legislature. (04/27/01)
- *April 2001 – Earthquake and Disaster Preparedness Month*. Governor's proclamation. (04/27/01)
- *USSC meets at Ogden City and County Building*. (04/27/01)
- *Presentation to Utah League of Cities and Towns*. Post earthquake survivability of essential services buildings. (07/13/01)
- *ANSS stakeholders meetings*. New urban strong motion monitoring network established in Utah. (07/13/01)
- *Commission Partnership with HAZUS*. Partnership established with HAZUS Data User's Group for development of the use of HAZUS in Utah. (07/13/01)
- *Seismic Hazards Symposium U of U (Natural Hazards Conference)*. Sponsored program. (10/12/01)
- *Seismicity of Western Utah*. Report to commission on vulnerabilities of existing and proposed projects in this area. (10/12/01)
- *Implementing the IBC 2000 in Utah*. Presentation on the introduction of the International Building Code in Utah. (01/11/02)
- *Preparedness and the 2002 Olympic Games*. CEM presentation on the present state of preparedness for a damaging earthquake during the Games. (01/11/02)
- *Lifeline Assessments Programs*. Performance after the Turkey and Taiwan earthquakes, landslides in Salt Lake City, HAZUS use, UDOT seismic performance of bridges, and the Metropolitan Water District's seismic design policies. (04/05/02)
- *Endorsement of UBC Rule*. State proposal to adopt use of accepted guidelines and codes to address existing building needs. USSC pledges support to existing buildings initiative. (07/12/02)

- *Capitol Preservation.* USSC to issue proclamation in support of the seismic retrofit of the State Capitol building. (10/25/02)
- *Memorandum of Understanding with SEAU.* USSC enters into an agreement with the Structural Engineers Association of Utah to work on common goals and support mutual projects. (01/17/03)
- *Updating the Strategic Plan.* The commission sent a copy of its latest plan to the California Seismic Safety Commission for review and comment.
- *Seismic Hazards Working Groups.* USSC formally endorses the recommendations of the working groups as the ‘informed view and desired objective of the Commission’. (04/11/03)
- *Future Vision.* The commission discussed the following topics:
  - i. *USSC should be a catalyst to give its support and endorsement to other agencies, groups and organizations. Also should seek support and endorsement from same.*
  - ii. *USSC should be a mouthpiece to enhance the level of information to the public and its awareness of earthquake safety.*
  - iii. *USSC should give awards and recognition to other agencies, groups and organizations for their level of involvement within the earthquake awareness community.*
  - iv. *USSC should help fund programs that are currently working on earthquake preparedness.*
  - v. *Commissioners need to be more involved in Commission activities.*
  - vi. *USSC needs to enhance the level of information given to the public. An information packet should be available for those in need.*
  - vii. *Enlarge the involvement from the communities. USSC should think about an annual conference for other agencies, groups, organizations and the public on earthquake awareness.* (04/11/03)
- *Implementing the Vision.* USSC reviews ways to communicate and advocate the message(s) of its strategic plan. This was the founding meeting of the matrix/strategic planning ad hoc committee. Minutes of entire meeting are available at: <http://cem.utah.gov/ussc/pdf/July03.pdf>
- *Teacher Workshop Support.* USSC committed funds to support a teacher workshop of earthquakes. (10/24/03)
- *Existing Buildings Initiative.* Endorsed request to the Utah Uniform Building Codes Commission for adoption of the International Existing Building Code. (01/16/04)
- *Geologic Hazards Ordinance.* Commission supported City of Draper’s adoption of geologic hazards ordinance. (01/16/04)
- *Marriott Library.* Commission endorsed seismic retrofit of U of U library. (01/16/04)
- *Earthquake Insurance.* Commission heard program on earthquake insurance in Utah. (01/16/04)