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LANDSLIDE INVENTORY MAPS OF THE CALAVERAS RESERVOIR, MILPITAS, NILES, SAN JOSE EAST, AND SAN JOSE WEST 7.5-MINUTE QUADRANGLES, ALAMEDA AND SANTA CLARA COUNTIES, CALIFORNIA

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These maps present inventories of existing landslides originally prepared as essential data layers for the delineation of earthquake-induced landslide hazard zones as mandated by the Seismic Hazards Mapping Act. These five landslide inventory maps are a continuation of the Landslide Inventory Map Series in the San Francisco Bay region, and cover portions of the cities of Fremont and Newark in Alameda County, and portions of the cities of Milpitas, San Jose, and Los Gatos in Santa Clara County.

The inventory maps were prepared primarily by geomorphic analysis of stereo aerial photographs, and secondarily by field reconnaissance, interpretation of topographic map contours and review of previous mapping. Landslides identified by these methods were digitally compiled on a Geographic Information System (GIS), typically at a scale of 1:24,000 on a U.S. Geological Survey topographic base map, or locally on more accurate base maps if available. These inventory maps also show several significant characteristics of each mapped landslide. These are the type of landsliding and the type of material that moved, the direction of landslide movement, the "activity" or relative recency of movement, and the "confidence" that the geomorphic features observed are the result of landsliding and not some other geologic process. These landslide inventory maps are intended to provide users with basic information regarding past occurrences of landslides within the mapped areas. The geologic, terrain and climatic conditions that led to past landsliding can provide insights to the locations of future slope failures, and it is anticipated that these maps will provide useful information to planners, property owners, developers, and geotechnical consultants.

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