Table 1. Risk Classification of Structures, Occupancies, and Land Uses

Class	General Category	General Examples	Acceptable Damage to Facility	Level of Acceptable Risk
1-A	Facilities whose failure	Nuclear reactors, large	None which would result in exposing	near zero
	might be catastrophic	dams	affected population to death or injury	
1-B	Facilities whose continuing	Power plants, power	None which would impair safety of	extremely low
	function is critical	intertie systems	facility or disrupt function	-
2-A	Facilities critically needed	Hospitals, fire stations,	None which would impair safety of	extremely low
	for services after disaster	telephone exchanges	facility or disrupt function	-
2-B	Critical transportation	Regional highways,	Minor non-structural; facility should	low
	links	bridges, rail lines,	remain operational and safe, or be	
		overpasses, tunnels	susceptible to quick restoration of service	
2-C	Major local utility lines	Power substations, gas and	Minor non-structural; facility should	low
	and facilities	water mains	remain operational and safe, or be	
			susceptible to quick restoration of service	
2-D	Small dams	Small dams	None which would expose "downstream"	extremely low
			population to injury	-
3-A	High occupancy structures	High-rise apartments and	No structural damage; minor non-	low
		offices, schools	structural damage, but structures should	
			remain safe and usable	
3-B	Facilities highly desirable	Schools, churches, civic	No structural damage; minor non-	low
	for shelter after disaster	buildings	structural damage, but structures should	
			remain safe and usable	
3-C	Local roads, utilities and	Local roads, local utility	Damage should be susceptible to	moderate
	communication facilities	lines	reasonable rapid repair (or utility shut-	
			off)	
4-A	Medium occupancy	Most commercial and	Structural integrity must be retained;	low
	structures	industrial buildings,	non-structural damage should not	
		apartments	unduly endanger safety of occupants	
4-B	Low occupancy structures	Single family homes	Structural integrity must be retained;	low
			non-structural damage should not	
			unduly endanger safety of occupants	
5-A	Open space, with	Recreation areas, orchards,	Structural integrity must be retained;	moderate
	developed sites	vineyards	non-structural damage should not	
			unduly endanger safety of occupants	

5-B	Open space, with	Grazing lands, forests	Not applicable	moderate
	undeveloped sites			