

Seismic Evaluation and Strengthening of Historic Structures and the use of the California Historical Building Code

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Qualified Historical Building or Property

Any building, site, structure, object, place, location, district or collection of structures, and their associates sites, deemed of importance to the history, architecture, or culture of an area by an appropriate local, state or federal governmental jurisdiction. This shall include historical buildings or properties on, or determined eligible for, national, state or local historical registers or inventories, such as the National Register of Historic Places, California Register of Historical Resources, State Historical Landmarks, State Points of Historical Interest, and city or county registers, inventories, or surveys of historical or architecturally significant sites, places or landmarks

Purpose

- > UBC/IBC focus on new buildings
- > Historical Buildings have archaic materials and features not easily made to comply
- > CHBC allows professional judgment to utilize alternatives which provide reasonable safety
- > Main focus areas:
Structural/seismic; exiting;
ADA/access; old M/E system

Secretary of the Interior Guidelines

- > Guidelines for maintaining historic structures
- > Maintenance and repairing distress
- > Cleaning and restoring finishes
- > Altering for new uses