WEST COAST & ALASKA TSUNAMI WARNING CENTER

Thu May 28 08:34:51 GMT 2009

No Watch/Warning in effect

Tsunami message from WCATWC

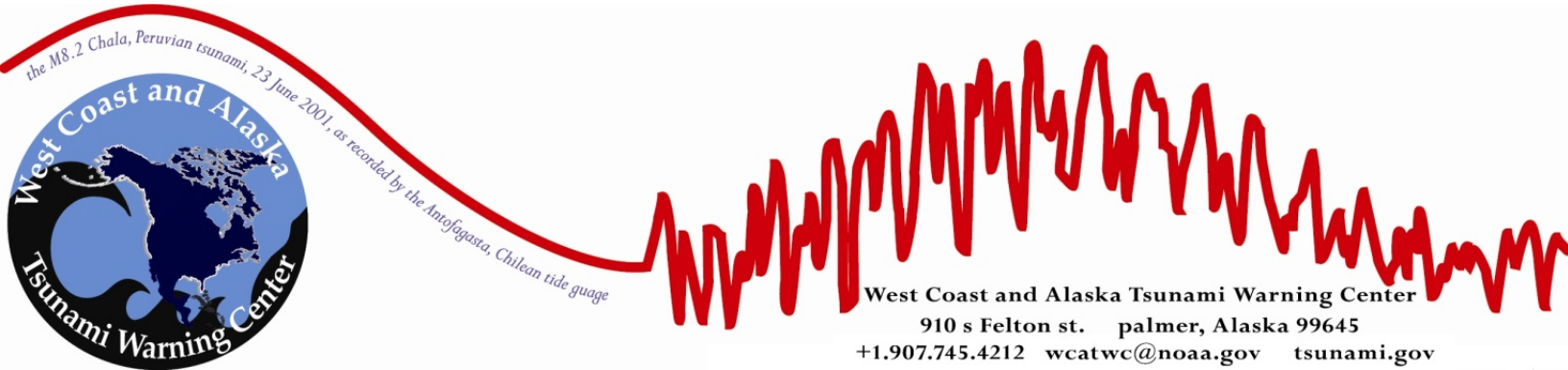
To: U.S. and Canadian Atlantic, and Gulf of Mexico coastal regions

From: NOAA/NWS/West Coast and Alaska Tsunami Warning Center

Subject: Tsunami Information Statement #1 issued 05/28/2009 at 4:33AM AST

A strong earthquake has occurred, but a tsunami **IS NOT** expected along the coasts of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, U.S. Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico states, and Eastern Canadian provinces. **NO** tsunami warning, watch or advisory is in effect for these areas.

Based on the earthquake location, magnitude, and historic tsunami records, a damaging tsunami **IS NOT** expected along the Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, U.S. Atlantic, Eastern Canadian and Gulf of Mexico coasts. Earthquakes of this size can generate destructive tsunamis along the coast near the epicenter. Authorities in the epicentral region should be aware of this possibility and take appropriate



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action.

At 4:25 AM Atlantic Standard Time on May 28, an earthquake with preliminary magnitude 7.3 occurred in the Caribbean Sea. (Refer to the United States Geological Survey for official earthquake parameters.)

The Pacific Tsunami Warning Center in Ewa Beach, Hawaii will issue messages for areas in the Caribbean outside Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

This will be the only statement issued for this event by the West Coast/Alaska Tsunami Warning Center unless conditions warrant. See the WCATWC web site for basic tsunami information, safety rules, and a tsunami travel time map and table. (**NOTE:** Travel time maps and tables indicate forecasted times only, not that a wave was generated.)

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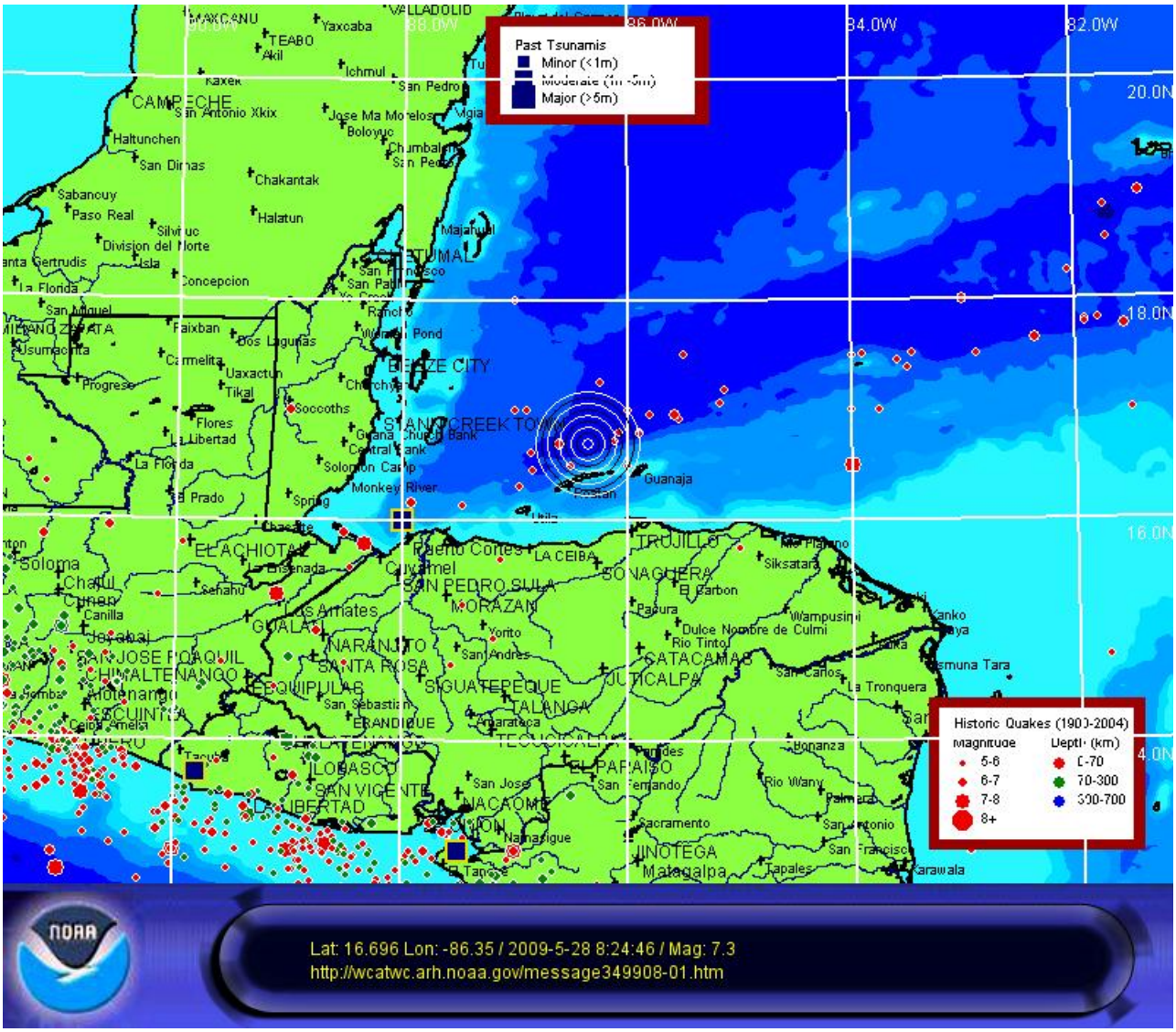

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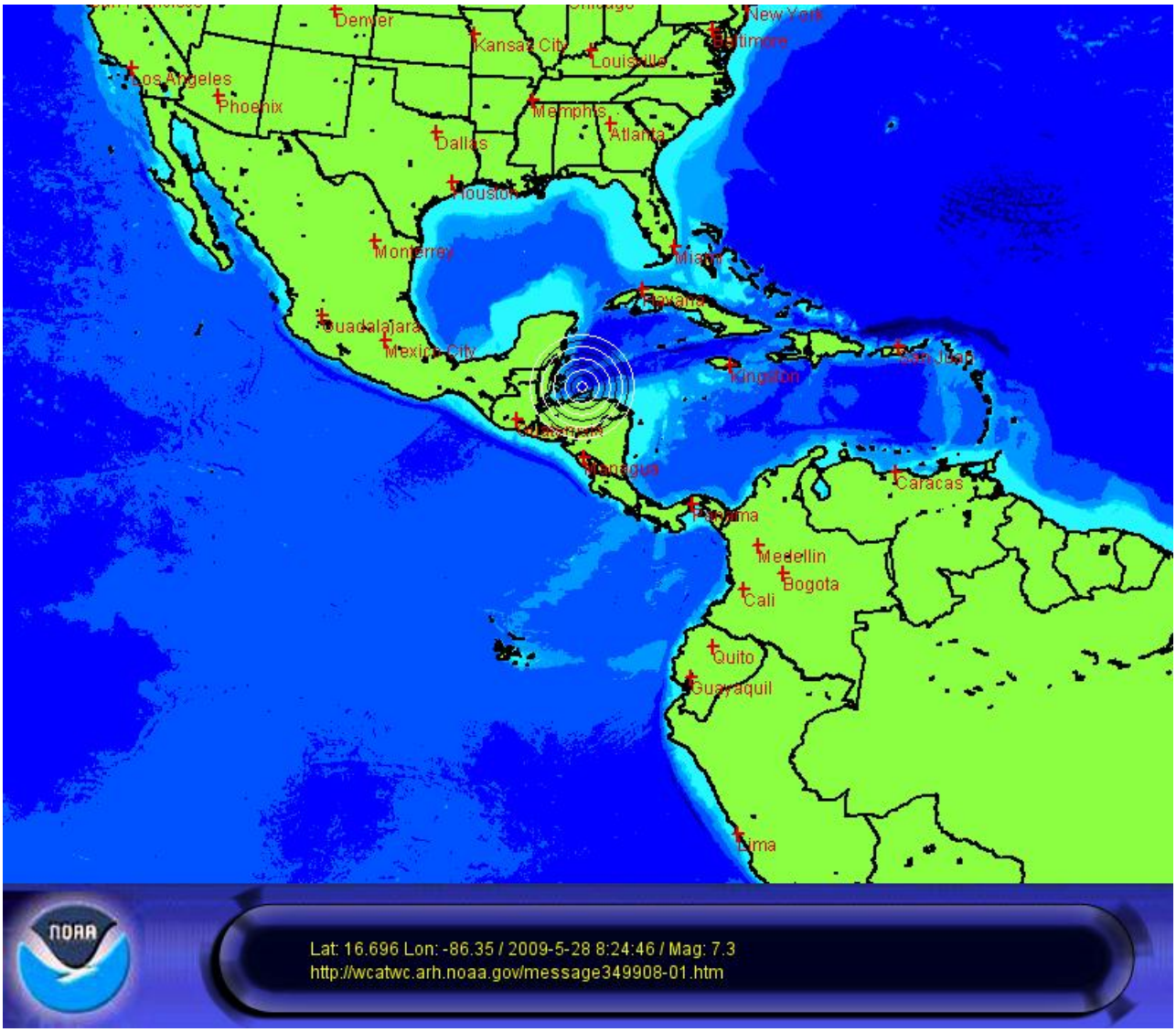

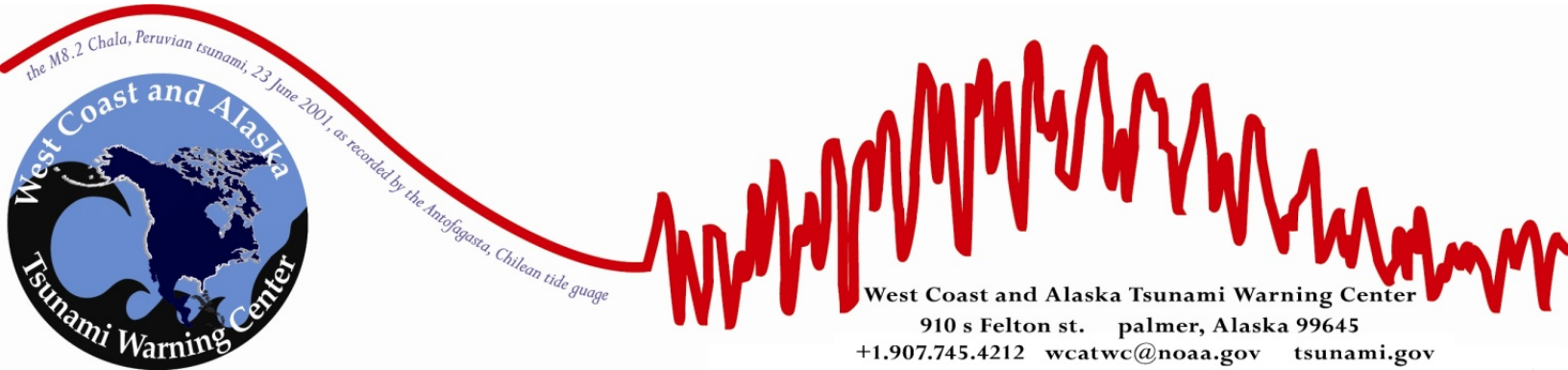

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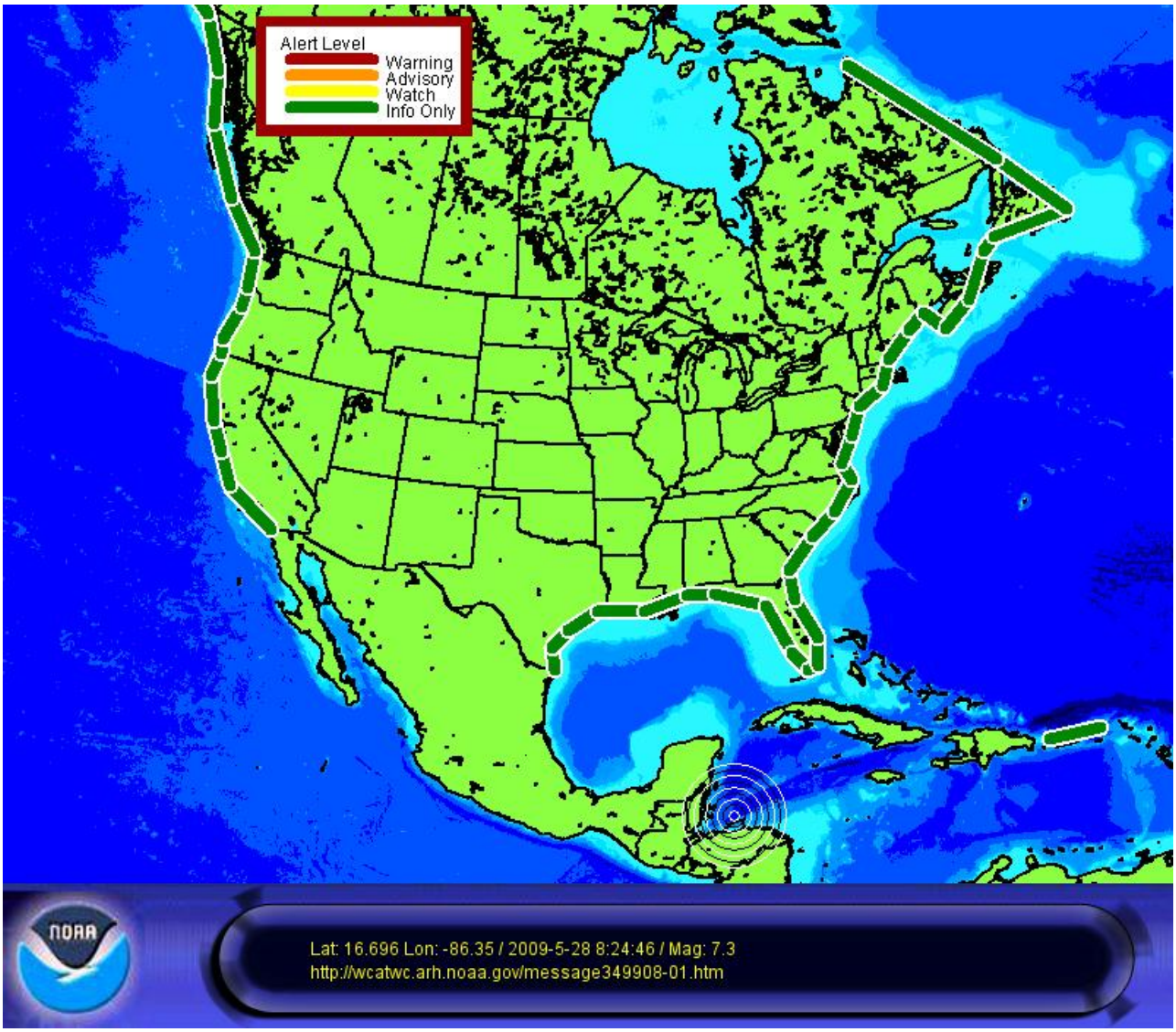

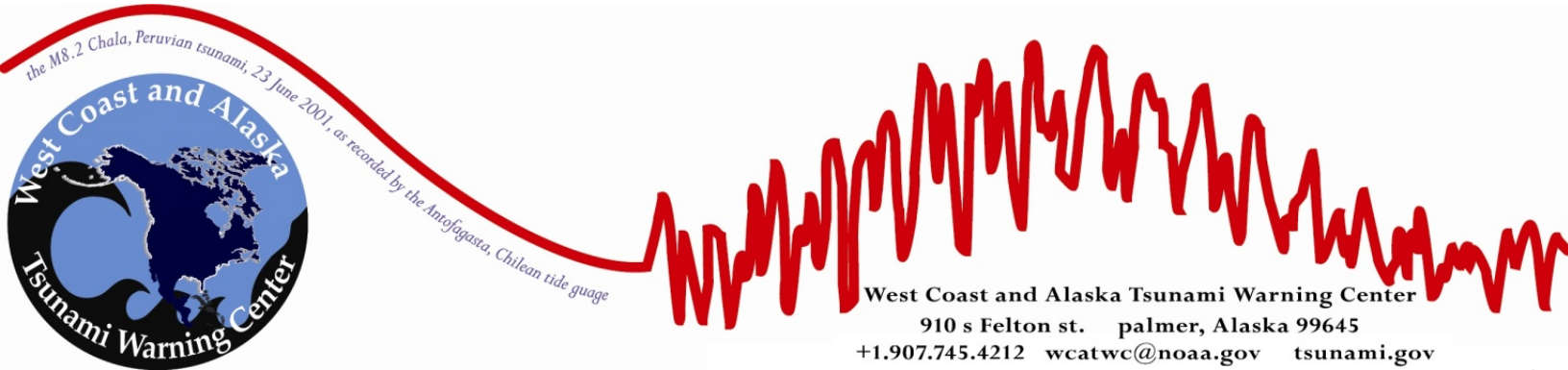

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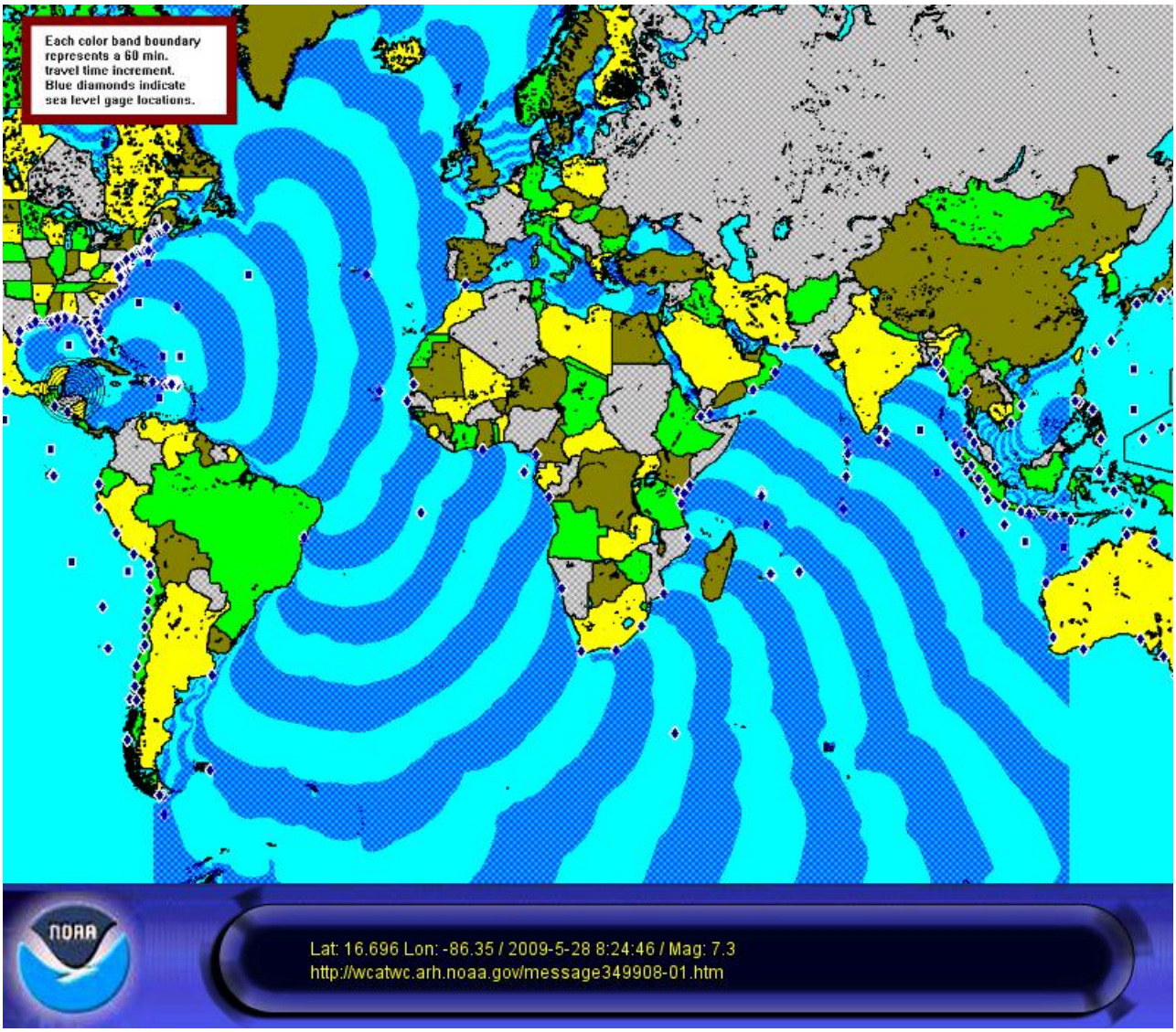

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