

(CNN)A strong earthquake hit off the coast of southern Mexico, near the border with Guatemala, the US Geological Survey reported Friday.

The quake, which was felt as far as Mexico City and Guatemala City, had a preliminary magnitude of 8.0 and depth of 33 kilometers (20 miles), according to the Pacific Tsunami Warning Center. It was a particularly shallow quake, according to Jana Pursely, a geophysicist at the USGS.

It struck off the Pacific Coast 74 miles (120 kilometers) southwest of Tres Picos, Mexico, which is 600 miles (1,000 kilometers) southeast of Mexico City.

"The shaking along the coast of Chiapas at this point is estimated to be very strong to severe," Pursely told CNN. "I would expect damage along the coast of Chiapas."

Pursely said these types of shallow earthquakes with long shaking have the potential to be very dangerous. She also said there will likely be aftershocks.

On his verified twitter account, Mexico's President Enrique Pena Nieto tweeted, "Civil protection protocols are activated, including the National Emergency Committee."

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已註解 [U1]: preliminary (a) 初步行動,準備,初步措施,初試
(a.)初步的,開始的,預備的

已註解 [U2]: magnitude (n) 巨大,重大,重要,大小,數量,震度

已註解 [U3]: particularly(adv) 特別,尤其,格外,詳細地,細致地

已註解 [U4]: geophysicist (n) 地球物理學者

已註解 [U5]: be estimated to VR 被估計/ 預計...

已註解 [U6]: potential (n) 潛在性,可能性,潛力,潛能,勢位

已註解 [U7]: aftershock (n) 餘震

已註解 [U8]: protocol (n) 機制

已註解 [U9]: activate (v) 刺激,啟動,創設

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A Tsunami threat **is being evaluated by** the Tsunami Warning System. The Tsunami Warning Center advised the public that tsunami waves could hit within three hours off the coasts of Mexico, Guatemala, Panama, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Honduras and even Ecuador.

已註解 [U10]: S is being evaluated by N S 正在被 N 評估

CNN **attempted to** contact two seaside hotels in the Mexican state of Chiapas, next to the border with Guatemala, but the lines **appeared to** be down.

已註解 [U11]: S attempt to VR S 嘗試著去 to VR

已註解 [U12]: S appear to be + adj. S 顯得 adj.

A receptionist at the Intercontinental in Mexico City said he only felt light shaking, however parts of the city are without power, Mayor Miguel Angel Mancera said in an interview on Foro TV.