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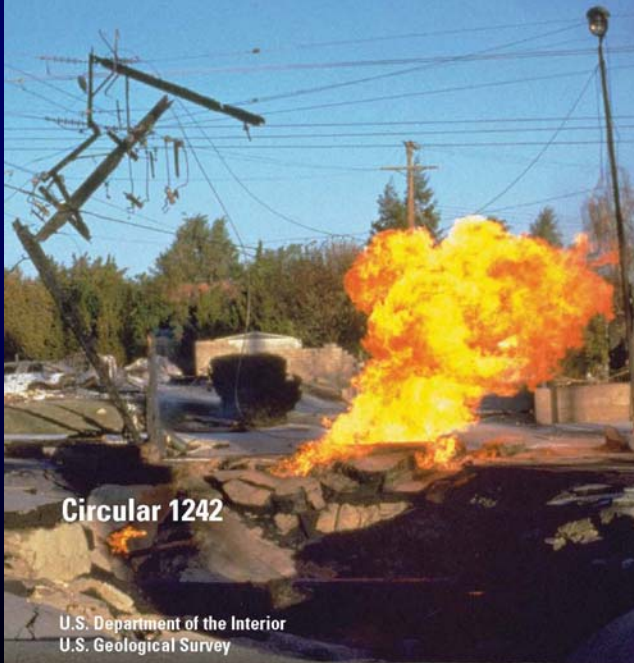
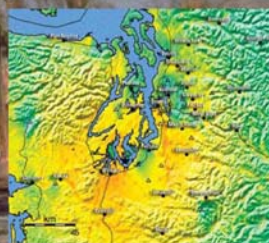
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# The Plan to Coordinate NEHRP Post-Eqk. Investigations



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## The Plan to Coordinate NEHRP Post-Earthquake Investigations



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*Inset photographs from top to bottom:*

Collapsed building, Marina District, San Francisco California, 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake (Photograph by C.E. Meyer, USGS)

Crater formed by liquefaction near Ten Mile Hill, South Carolina, 1886 Charleston earthquake (Photograph credit: USGS 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Report, plate XX)

Damaged buildings in Kocaeli, Turkey, 1999 Kocaeli earthquake (Photograph by C. Mueller, USGS)

USGS rapid instrumental intensity map of 2001 Nisqually, Washington, earthquake (<http://quake.usgs.gov/shalemap>)

Cypress Viaduct collapse, Oakland, California, 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake (Photograph by H.G. Wilshire, USGS)

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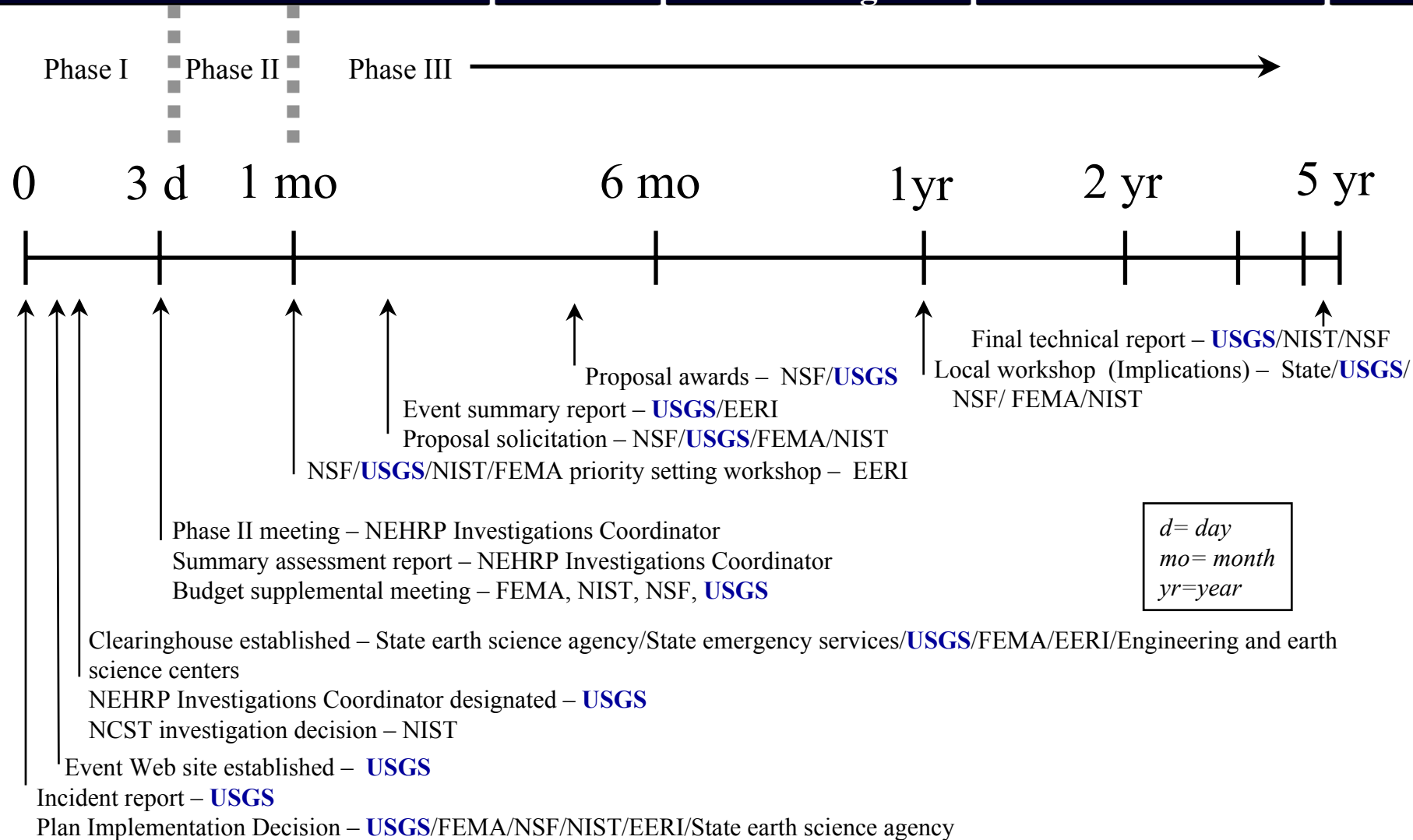
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# USGS Role- Domestic Earthquakes

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## Activities timeline for NEHRP post earthquake investigation plan – domestic earthquakes.

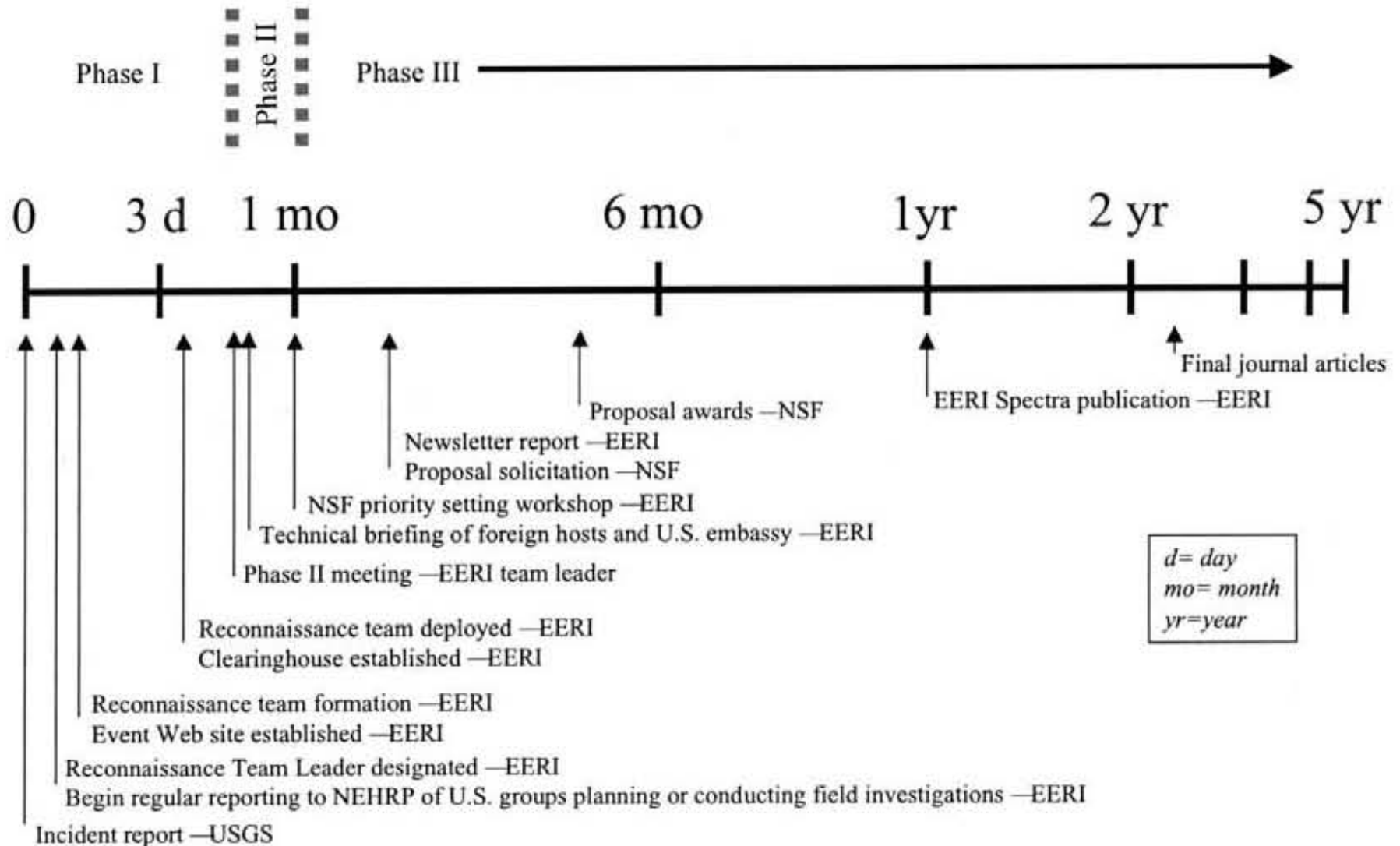




# USGS Role- Foreign Earthquakes

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Activities timeline for EERI post-earthquake activities – foreign earthquakes.



# **USGS Draft Plan for Post Earthquake Investigations**

**(Mortenson, et al. 2001)**

## **United States Geological Survey Plan for Postearthquake Investigations**

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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This Plan serves to coordinate the U.S. Geological Survey response to future significant earthquakes. It gives primary emphasis to field investigations of U.S. earthquakes, but also includes a general outline of coordination of USGS response to foreign earthquakes. Because of the mutual dependence of some kinds of USGS field investigations and emergency management actions taken by other governmental agencies, parts of the Plan address coordination between USGS response and responses by other agencies. Elements of the Plan that pertain to post-earthquake information dissemination are intended to be compatible with the Proposed National USGS Post-Earthquake Media Response Plan of the Media Response Working Group (Steve Kirby, Leader).

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