This training will provide a comprehensive overview of the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) Safety Assessment Program (SAP), practical building exercises, criteria for assessing the severity of facility and lifeline systems damage, and procedures for posting and barricading. The ATC 20-1 Field Manual: “Post-Earthquake Safety Evaluation of Buildings, Second Edition” and additional materials will be provided.

“All registered SAP evaluators must be professionally registered engineers, professionally licensed architects, certified building officials or inspectors. They must also have a general knowledge of construction, professional experience and judgment.” Those without the above qualifications may attend but will not receive a state-issued CalOES card.

Those already possessing a CalOES (California Office of Emergency Services) card should check their expiration date. State-issued cards expire five years after the training date. Please note that older OES cards with indefinite expirations or expired cards are no longer valid. Enrollment in SAP Evaluator Program will be necessary to recertify.

If your SAP Evaluator card has recently expired or is about to expire, you can continue your registration in the program by taking an online refresher training. Have your 5 digit badge number available to register. For more information, visit the Cal OES SAP at: https://w3.calema.ca.gov/RespRecover/sapreg.nsf/SAPRegistrationEval3?OpenForm

Licensed or certified professionals who are members of ASCE, AIA, SEAOC or CALBO will receive a new SAP volunteer card and will be allowed to “tag” buildings in the event of a disaster. This process is not intended to identify or quantify damaged facilities but to evaluate their potential for safe use.