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**2013 California Building and Residential Code – Seismic Design Category**

Per California Residential Code (CRC) Section R301.2.2.1, buildings shall be assigned a seismic design category (SDC) in accordance with CRC Figure R301.2(2).

Within the City of Walnut Creek limits, there are some areas which would be categorized as Seismic Design Category E based on calculated  $S_{DS}$  values. The shaded region shown below in the northeast corner of the city limits shows the general applicable area.

If a building is located in SDC E and cannot be reclassified as SDC  $D_2$  based on CRC Section R301.2.2.1.2, design to resist seismic loads shall be in accordance with the *California Building Code* per CRC Section R301.2.2.4.

