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The Senate has finally confirmed Dr. Suzette M. Kimball as Director of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS). Dr. Kimball, an environmental scientist focused on coastal processes with decades of experience in public service, has led the agency in an acting capacity since February 2013. The Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, which had previously considered her nomination in 2014, held another hearing on her nomination last October and unanimously approved her confirmation in November; this time the full Senate gave their approval.

Sources: The Department of the Interior

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