Overview of Fiscal Year 2017 Appropriations

Click on a link below to view AGI's analysis of the President's Request for key geoscience-related agencies as well as detailed program and account information.

- FY 2017 Commerce, Justice, Science
- FY 2017 Energy and Water
- FY 2017 Interior and Environment

You can stay up-to-date on the budget process and appropriations by fiscal year with the Library of Congress Appropriations and Budget page. The AAAS R&D Budget and Policy Program provides information on trends in federal research and development funding, including information on the president's budget request and appropriations bills. AIP's Federal Science Budget Tracker also has information on the status of budgets and appropriations relevant to the physical sciences.

The Budget Process

Below is a diagram of the congressional budget process that first appeared in Following the Budget Process that was published in the March 1996 issue of Geotimes. It is adapted from a diagram developed by the House Budget Committee. Click on the image to open a larger version.
The Budget Process and Time Line

February

President's budget submitted to Congress

March

House Budget Committee formulates budget proposal

April

Senate Budget Committee formulates budget proposal

May

House passes budget

June

House Appropriations Committee reports out budget resolution (House-passed budget)

July

Senate Appropriations Committee reports out budget resolution (Senate-passed budget)

House and Senate pass their version of the budget resolution (House-passed budget)

August

House and Senate pass their version of the budget resolution (Senate-passed budget)

September

House and Senate pass their version of the budget resolution (House-passed budget)

The President may sign or veto the bills

The President signs Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act

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Sources: American Association for the Advancement of Science, E&ENews Publications, House Committee on Appropriations, Library of Congress, Senate Committee on Appropriations, and the White House Office of Management and Budget.

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