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

President's budget submitted to Congress

April

House Budget Committee forms budget

Senate Budget Committee forms budget

May

House floor votes

Senate floor votes

Budget Conference Committee report sent to Congress

Resolution on budget

House floor votes

Senate floor votes

Consolidated Resolution is not signed by the President but is not an amendment to the House and Senate bills unless sent to the Senate in July. Funds for the health and welfare appropriation are placed into the bill (as a line-item veto) before the budget conference committee.

House subcommittee report on budget

House Appropriations Committee reports budget

House Appropriations Committee reports budget

House Appropriations Committee reports budget

House Appropriations Committee reports budget

Senate Appropriations Committee reports budget

Senate Appropriations Committee reports budget

Senate Appropriations Committee reports budget

House subcommittee report on budget

House votes on reconciliation

Senate votes on reconciliation

September

House votes on Reconciliation Act

Senate votes on Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act

House votes on Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act

Senate votes on Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act

The President may sign or veto Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act

The President signs or vetoes Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act

Budget Reconciliation Conference Committee (two committees not to be subcommittees)

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