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### December 2016

#### **Budget**

- Congress passes continuing resolution funding the government through April 2017

#### **Congress**

- House Natural Resources Subcommittee holds USGS oversight investigation hearing

#### **Environment**

- Congressional briefing held on outcomes of Marrakech climate summit

#### **Federal Agencies and Administration**

- Congressman Zinke (R-MT) nominated for Secretary of the Interior
- President Obama designates new National Monuments in Utah and Nevada
- NSF selects William E. Easterling as new Geoscience Directorate lead

#### **?Federal Register**

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