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By the numbers: Wyoming

- 2,197 geoscience employees (excludes self-employed)1
- 748 million gallons/day: total groundwater withdrawal3

- \$2.41 billion: value of nonfuel mineral production in 20174
- 30 total disaster declarations, including 18 fire, 5 flood, and 2 severe storm disasters (1953-2017)?
- \$4.65 million: NSF GEO grants awarded in 201714...

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Agencies Working on Geoscience Issues in Wyoming

Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality

http://deq.wyoming.gov/

The Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality is responsible for enforcing state and federal environmental laws. It is comprised of seven divisions inluding: administration, abandoned mine land, air quality, industrial siting, land quality, solid & hazardous waste, water quality.

Wyoming State Emergency Response Commission

https://hls.wyo.gov/

Among the SERC's duties are the following: designate local emergency planning districts within the state and appoint a local emergency planning committee (LEPC) to serve each of the districts; coordinate and supervise activities of the local committees; review local emergency response plans annually; receive all chemical release notifications and inventory reports.

Wyoming State Geological Survey

https://www.wsgs.wyo.gov/

The Wyoming State Geological Survey (WSGS) performs the important and critical function of interpreting Wyoming's complex geology.

Maps & Visualizations



Interactive database for geologic maps of the United States

U.S. Geological Survey

The U.S. Geological Survey hosts the National Geologic Map Database (NGMDB). This interactive tool serves as a national archive for high-quality, standardized geologic maps created by the U.S. Geological Survey and state geological surveys. The MapView section of the NGMDB displays geologic maps...

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Using Produced Water

Opportunities and Concerns in Using Produced Water Produced water is natural groundwater that is extracted along with oil and gas. It is commonly salty and mixed with oil residues,1 so it must be either disposed of or treated and reused. About 2.5 billion gallons of produced water are extracted...

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2016 Critical Issues Forum: Addressing Changes in Regional Groundwater Resources: Lessons from the High Plains Aquifer

The 2016 Critical Issues Forum was a 1-½ day meeting covering multiple aspects of groundwater depletion in the High Plains.

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