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The Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee cleared the nomination of Dr. Suzette Kimball as Director of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) in a business meeting on June 18. The nomination cleared the committee by unanimous voice vote. Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) expressed his approval of the work Dr. Kimball has done in her capacity as Acting Director of USGS since 2013, and signaled his support for the nomination. Dr. Kimball testified before the committee at a hearing held May 13 and affirmed her commitment to the role of USGS in providing science to support public health and safety, and sustainable, resilient communities.

The nomination will move to the full Senate for further consideration.

Source: Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee
