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ALEXANDRIA, Va. — The American Geosciences Institute (AGI) is pleased to introduce an important resource for teaching and learning about the geosciences: the Earth Science Week Online Toolkit. This rapidly growing, searchable compendium features classroom activities, posters, news articles, career information, teacher professional development resources, and more.

Over a dozen highly visual resources dealing with the Earth Science Week 2021 theme of "Water Today and for the Future" have been recently added, including posters, infographics, and other items covering topics such as ocean acidification, coral reef restoration, groundwater, floods, hurricanes, and the hydrologic cycle. More resources will be added over time.

Online Toolkit resources, developed by AGI and/or various partner organizations, include many specific to this year's water science theme as well as others that deal with different topics. Some can be found in the printed Earth Science Week Toolkit, while others are available only electronically.

Online Toolkit resources are organized to support the Next Generation Science Standards. Users can search by type of resource, theme, language, disciplinary core ideas, cross-cutting concepts, science and engineering practices, and more.

At a time when many are challenged to work in new ways due to the COVID-19 pandemic, AGI encourages educators and students to explore the Online Toolkit as they celebrate Earth Science Week (October 10-16, 2021). Visit the Earth Science Week Online Toolkit at www.earthsciweek.org/online-toolkit.

Raising awareness of the geosciences nationally and around the globe, AGI leads Earth Science Week in cooperation with its sponsors and the geoscience community as a service to the public. Each October, community groups, educators, and interested citizens organize celebratory events. Earth Science Week offers opportunities to discover the Earth sciences and engage in responsible stewardship of the Earth. Learn more at www.earthsciweek.org.

About AGI

The American Geosciences Institute (AGI), a federation of scientific and professional associations representing over a quarter-million geoscientists, is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to serving the geoscience community and addressing the needs of society. AGI headquarters are in Alexandria, Virginia.

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