

## Geoscience Policy Monthly Review: November 2017

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### November 2017

#### **budget**

- Senate releases spending bill for Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies

#### **congress**

- Texas 21st District Representative Lamar Smith will not seek re-election in 2018

#### **education**

- House passes legislation repealing tax exemptions of tuition waivers for graduate assistants

#### **energy**

- Senate takes first step to open ANWR for oil and gas leasing
- Nebraska approves Keystone XL pipeline

#### **federal agencies & administration**

- Trump administration releases draft of comprehensive report on latest climate science
- President Trump nominates Assistant Secretary of the Interior as Congress continues confirmation process for numerous nominees

#### **natural hazards**

- Congress discusses emergency response following the 2017 hurricane season
- Congress considers legislation to improve forest management in wake of recent wildfires

#### **natural resources**

- House natural resources subcommittee hearing on geothermal energy, geologic mapping, and hazards

#### **space**

- NASA and NOAA successfully launch next-generation polar orbiting satellite

#### **water**

- House lawmakers reach deal for reauthorizing the National Flood Insurance Program

#### **federal register**

- Federal Register - November 2017
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