

District Visits Days

Promote the importance of geoscience to society

Meet with your congressional representatives when they are at home in their districts during the Geosciences Congressional District Visits Days (Geo-DVD) in October to let them know why geoscience is important on a local, national, and global scale!

You can serve as a resource to Congress, show the relevance of geoscience to your district, and convey the science behind key societal issues to lawmakers. From unlocking the energy mix and understanding natural hazards to ensuring clean water supplies and recognizing climate patterns, Geo-DVD will highlight the importance of geoscience research and geoscience-based industries to critical policy issues and the economy.

Arrange a meeting yourself, or let the organizing geoscience societies help you schedule meetings with your congressional representatives. We will also provide you with the training and materials you need to help you effectively discuss the importance of geoscience research with Senators and Representatives.

For more information about District Visits Days, please email the AGI Geoscience Policy Program (govt@agiweb.org).

Look up your senators and representative

Not sure whom to visit? Find your senators [here](#) and your representative [here](#).

Resources and Materials

Communicating with Congress

- American Geosciences Institute: Tips for writing your member of Congress
- American Geosciences Institute: Helpful hints for meeting with members of Congress
- American Geosciences Institute: *Geoscience in Your State* factsheets
- American Geophysical Union: How to Conduct a Successful District Visit
- Soil Science Society of America: Get Involved
- University Corporation for Atmospheric Research: Community Resources

Other Geoscience Policy Websites

- American Association of Petroleum Geologists: GEO-DC
- American Geosciences Institute: Geoscience Policy Program
- American Geophysical Union: Science Policy
- American Institute of Professional Geologists: Policy Position Statements
- Geological Society of America: Geology & Public Policy and News from the Hill RSS Feed
- National Ground Water Association: Government Affairs
- Seismological Society of America: Government Relations
- Soil Science Society of America: Science Policy
- Society for Mining, Metallurgy, and Exploration: Government Affairs and Public Policy
- University Corporation for Atmospheric Research: Government Relations

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