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2009 Earth Science Week Toolkits Now Available

Alexandria, VA—The essential Earth Science Week 2009 (October 11-17) Toolkit enables students, educators, and the public to fully explore this year's theme "Understanding Climate." The latest edition of this resource is now available through the American Geological Institute (AGI).

The 2009 Earth Science Week Toolkit contains a 12-month school-activity calendar and classroom poster provided by AGI, its Member Societies and other organizations. Along with these traditional Earth Science Week publications, this year's Toolkit features a variety of educational climate resources from the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), NASA, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). A report on the "Ecological Impacts of Climate Change" and a new brochure outlining principles for Earth Science literacy are also included.

Multimedia features this year include NASA's "Dynamic EARTH" DVD-ROM and a CD-ROM on GIS technology from ESRI. Additional informational materials within the kits include a National Park Service poster highlighting the nation's glaciers and literature on the National Wildlife Refuge System. Like years past, the 2009 Toolkit contains a genuine field notebook from Rite in the Rain.

These items and much more make the Earth Science Week Toolkit ideal for engaging students and general public to explore the geosciences. The Toolkits are available for the cost of shipping and handling (\$6.95 in the United States). Bulk pricing is available. To order, visit <http://www.earthsciweek.org/materials>.

Earth Science Week is an annual event held the second week of October to promote an understanding and appreciation of the earth sciences. It is organized annually by AGI with support from a number of other geoscience organizations, including the U.S. Geological Survey, NASA, National Park Service, and the American Association of Petroleum Geologists Foundation. To learn more about this event, please visit <http://www.earthsciweek.org/>.

The American Geological Institute is a nonprofit federation of 45 geoscientific and professional associations that represents more than 120,000 geologists, geophysicists and other earth scientists. Founded in 1948, AGI provides information services to geoscientists, serves as a voice of shared interests in the profession, plays a major role in strengthening geoscience education, and strives to increase public awareness of the vital role the geosciences play in society's use of resources, resiliency to natural hazards, and interaction with the environment. Learn more at <http://www.agiweb.org>.

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