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Earth Science Week 2011 Toolkits Available for Order

Alexandria, VA – The American Geological Institute (AGI) is now accepting advance orders for the 2011 Earth Science Week Toolkit, which contains educational materials for all ages that correspond to this year’s theme of “Our Ever-Changing Earth.” The Toolkit will be sent in August 2011.

The 2011 Earth Science Week Toolkit provides the traditional theme-related activity calendar and classroom activity poster published by AGI. It also features a variety of educational resources from program partners, including National Park Service resources on fossils and geology, a Rite in the Rain mini-notebook, and water experiment materials from the American Chemical Society.

Government agencies such as NASA, the U.S. Geological Survey, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service have all contributed educational materials. Learn about fossils, geological heritage, Earth from space, the New Madrid earthquake, and much more in this year’s extensive Toolkit, filled with posters, brochures, bookmarks, fact sheets, postcards, and more.

AGI leads Earth Science Week annually in cooperation with its sponsors and the geoscience community as a service to the public. Each year, community groups, educators, and interested citizens organize celebratory events. Earth Science Week offers the public opportunities to discover the earth sciences and engage in responsible stewardship of the Earth. Earth Science Week is supported by the U.S. Geological Survey, the AAPG Foundation, NASA, the National Park Service, ExxonMobil, and ESRI.

Earth Science Week 2011 will be celebrated October 9-15. To learn more about this week and to pre-order your 2011 Toolkit, please visit the Earth Science Week site at <http://www.earthsciweek.org/> or the AGI Publications page at <http://www.agiweb.org/pubs/pubdetail.html?item=609606>. You may also call the AGI Publications department to place your order at 703-379-2480.

The American Geological Institute is a nonprofit federation of 49 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.

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