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AGI Offers New No Child Left Inside Day Web Resources

Alexandria, VA— No Child Left Inside (NCLI) Day — Tuesday October 13, 2009 — will be the focal point of Earth Science Week.

On the first NCLI Day, held during Earth Science Week 2008, teachers and earth scientists led students outdoors to sample water, interact with earth systems, and observation the natural world in action. This day proved to be a popular event for schools, youth organizations, government agencies and others interested in promoting outdoor educational activities.

Now, to encourage even broader participation, AGI has developed an educator's guide for organizing NCLI Day in local schools and communities. This online resource provides 10 outdoor activities, information on how to plan your NCLI Day event, and classroom follow up activities. Download a copy of the NCLI Day educator's guide through the Earth Science Week website at <http://www.earthsciweek.org/ncli/>.

Earth Science Week is an annual celebration of the geosciences held the second week of October to promote an understanding and appreciation of the earth sciences. Since 1998 Earth Science Week has been organized by AGI with support from a number of other geoscience organizations, including the U.S. Geological Survey, NASA, National Park Service, U.S. Department of Energy, ExxonMobil and the American Association of Petroleum Geologists Foundation. To learn more, 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.

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