

STATE OF OREGON  
**PROCLAMATION**  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** Geology and other earth sciences are fundamental to the health, safety and welfare of Oregonians and to the economy of Oregon; and
- WHEREAS:** The earth sciences are integral to locating, developing, and conserving mineral, energy and water resources needed for Oregon's continuing prosperity; and
- WHEREAS:** The earth sciences provide the basis for preparing for and mitigating natural hazards such as earthquakes, tsunamis, landslides, volcanic eruptions, floods and coastal erosion experienced from time to time in Oregon; and
- WHEREAS:** The earth sciences are crucial to understanding environmental and ecological issues ranging from water and air quality to waste disposal and mined land regulation and reclamation; and
- WHEREAS:** Geologic factors of resources, hazards and the environment are vital to land management and land use decisions made in Oregon; and
- WHEREAS:** The earth sciences contribute critical data to our understanding of, and respect for, Oregon's heritage and natural systems.
- NOW,  
THEREFORE:** I, Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **October 11 – 17, 2009** to be

**EARTH SCIENCE WEEK**

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, September 30, 2009.



*Theodore R. Kulongoski*  
Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor

*Kate Brown*  
Kate Brown, Secretary of State