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Governing Board meeting set for August 20, 2012

Portland, Oregon: The Governing Board of the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) will meet for a brief teleconference to review the Agency Request Budget report.

The agenda for this meeting can be found online at: http://www.oregongeology.org

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS:

• Larry Givens, Chair, Milton-Freewater
• Douglas W. MacDougall, Vice Chair, Portland
• Stephen H. Macnab, Bend
• R. Charles Vars, Corvallis
• Lisa Phipps, Tillamook

The five-member governing board, citizens appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Oregon Senate, oversees the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries. The board sets policy and oversees general operations of the department. The board meets quarterly at sites around the state to encourage participation from the public, local government, industry and other geologists.

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The Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries is an independent agency of the State and has a broad responsibility in developing an understanding of the state’s geologic resources and natural hazards. The Department then makes this information available to communities and individuals to help inform and reduce the risks from natural hazards, such as earthquakes, tsunamis, landslides, floods and volcanic eruptions. The Department assists in the formulation of state policy where an understanding of geologic materials, geologic resources, processes, and hazards is key to decision-making. The Department is also the lead state regulatory agency for mining, oil, gas and geothermal exploration, production and reclamation.

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