

# OREGON DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY AND MINERAL INDUSTRIES

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## Public forum to be held on geothermal resources and development in eastern Oregon

Portland, Oregon: The Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) is hosting a public forum at the Ontario Community Library, 388 S.W. 2nd Avenue, Ontario, Oregon, the evening of September 27. The theme of the forum will be geothermal resources and geothermal development in eastern Oregon. DOGAMI's Geothermal Resources Evaluator will give a presentation explaining the geology behind the geothermal resources in eastern Oregon from the Cascades to the Owyhee, and the Agency's Energy Resources Permitter will give an overview of state regulatory requirements for exploring for and developing geothermal energy in Oregon.

The forum is in conjunction with the DOGAMI Governing Board meeting to be held Friday, September 28, in the same location. The Agency and the Board would be pleased to meet you and answer any questions you may have.

The forum begins at 6 p.m. in the Meeting Room in the library.

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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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