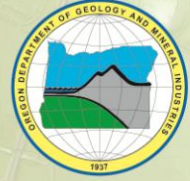


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## **DOGAMI names Earth Science Information Officer**

*New staff to lead efforts to connect Oregonians with geologic information*

PORTLAND, Ore. – Ali Ryan has joined the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) as the agency's Earth Science Information Officer.

"Providing the information Oregonians need to understand and prepare for the hazards that accompany our state's spectacular geology is one of DOGAMI's most important responsibilities," said State Geologist Vicki S. McConnell. "Our Earth Science Information Officer plays a critical role in connecting communities with all the work we do."

Ryan comes to DOGAMI from Portland Parks & Recreation, where she oversaw programs including Portland Dog Parks, ParkScan Portland, and Let's Grow. Previously, she was a reporter for the Daily Journal of Commerce in Portland, writing about architecture, design and sustainability. She earned degrees in journalism from University of Portland and University of Missouri.

Ryan will serve as DOGAMI's media contact, as well as leading the agency's strategic outreach and communication efforts.

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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. Learn more at [www.OregonGeology.org](http://www.OregonGeology.org)

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*DOGAMI's mission is to provide earth science information and regulation to make Oregon safe and prosperous.*

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