

Scientific Integrity and the USGS Mission

Science integrity is foundational to the USGS from the early days through our rich history and especially today.

Dr. Thornhill will discuss the importance of scientific integrity to our credibility and reputation and emphasize the responsibility we all have as USGS employees.

As the Department of Interior prepares to launch the next version of the DOI Policy on Integrity of Scientific and Scholarly Activities (which the USGS had significant input), we'll highlight specific practices and processes which guide everyday decision-making.

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- Education and Development
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- Youth Program
- Ethics

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