



UTAH GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, FUNDING SHORTAGE

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ISSUE BRIEF

The Utah Geological Survey (UGS) has been experiencing budget shortfall as the prices of oil and gas have been declining. The UGS director will make a presentation addressing the following:

1. What is the nature of the UGS funding sources (budget trends and FTE count, 8-year history)?
2. How is the Federal Mineral Lease funding used by UGS (what programs & services are funded by this funding source)?
3. What has UGS done in response to the budget shortfall?
4. What are the projections for FY 2016 & FY 2017?
5. What will be the impact if no additional funding becomes available to UGS to offset the shortage?