



NAGT Rocky Mountain Section News

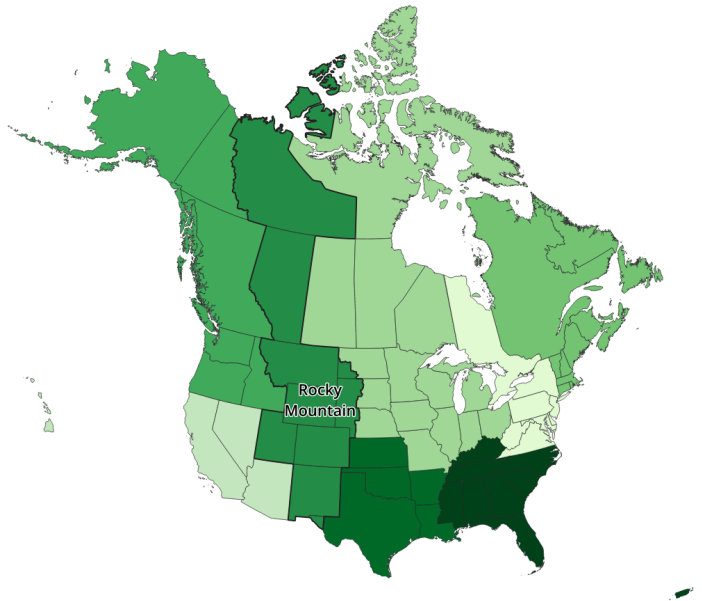
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Become a Section Leader

The NAGT Rocky Mountain Section is looking to support you in becoming a leader in our community! There are many leadership opportunities at the Section level. We are currently looking for enthusiastic members to join our leadership team in the following roles:

- President
- 2nd Vice President
- OEST Chair
- State and Province Representatives for
 - Northwest Territories, Canada
 - Alberta, Canada
 - Montana
 - SW North Dakota
 - W South Dakota
 - W Nebraska
 - Wyoming
 - Utah
 - Colorado
 - New Mexico
 - Far west Texas



Learn more about these positions at

https://nagt.org/nagt/get_involved/lead.html#secdiv or email the Section Secretary/Treasurer, Mary Kosloski, at mary.kosloski@gmail.com

Raising Awareness, Learning about our Members, and Charting our Path **[Check out the 2025 NAGT-Rocky Mountain Section Annual Report](#)**

2025 was the first full year for the Rocky Mountain Section. We are still finding our footing as we move into 2026. You can learn more about our work in the Annual Report submitted by interim president, Emily Ward, by clicking on this link: [NAGT-RMS 2025 Annual Report](#)

Do you know an Outstanding Earth Science Teacher? **[Nominate them for the Section or State OEST Award!](#)**

[Outstanding Earth Science Teacher \(OEST\) awards](#) are given for "exceptional contributions to the stimulation of interest in the Earth Sciences at the pre-college level." Any teacher or other K-12 educator who covers a significant amount of Earth science content with their students is eligible. One teacher will be celebrated as the Rocky Mountain Section awardee, and we will select teachers from each state and province to be recognized as state/province winners. Individuals may apply themselves or nominate a colleague for the award.

[The deadline for nominations is February 1, 2026.](#)



[Going to the 76th Annual Meeting of the GSA Rocky Mountain Section?](#) **Albuquerque, New Mexico, 17-20 May 2026**

We will be there! Explore the list of field trips, technical sessions, and short courses at the [Meeting Website](#). There are [special events for students](#), three topical sessions highlighting geoscience education efforts, and two sessions for student presentations (posters and oral). NAGT Rocky Mountain Section is hosting the Oral Session, **Student Research in the Geosciences**. We invite students to submit abstracts soon!

[Abstract Submission Deadline is 24 Feb. 2026, 11:59 p.m. PST](#)

Are you a State or Provincial Geologist?

We celebrate the work that happens at the local level by hardworking state and provincial geologists! NAGT-RMS would like to connect with state and provincial geologists to create more opportunities for K-12 and college educators. If you are interested in partnering with us, we would love to hear from you! Email Emily Ward at emily.ward-1@colorado.edu.



Contribute to our Newsletter

As the NAGT-Rocky Mountain Section picks up steam, we will be creating a website with a calendar, generating a quarterly newsletter, and maintaining a Facebook group. **[Help us create a lively collaborative community by sharing events, resources, awards, stories, and photos.](#)**

Find us online at

- Website: <https://nagt.org/nagt/sections/rockymountain/index.html>
- Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/8907970179246450>