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Subject: NBMG Budget

Dear Sir

I am a geologist working for municipality of Salihli/Turkey. I have been following the publications about geothermal and tectonics and the great work done by NBMG. We have had chance to work with some of NBMG's geologist in Turkey, the studies has been inspiring. I have regrettably learned that there is a plan to cut the NBMG budget. I think earth science is the locomotive and precursor for many other businesses. We have experienced as you may have, investing into a business without reliable information and lack of understanding of earth have caused severe results and uncompensable losses.

Although I have no direct connection with State of Nevada I kindly request you reconsider the budget cut as NBMG has been pioneer in earthsciences worldwide.

Thank you.

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