## Earth Resources Virtual Career Forum for Undergraduate Students from Underrepresented Groups

## Fall Event of the Committee on Earth Resource

To help increase undergraduate student awareness of opportunities and pathways to successful careers in government in Earth resource fields, the CER will convene an Earth Resources Virtual Career Forum specifically for students and their advisors from underrepresented groups. This pilot forum will include a public session with a keynote speaker and a panel discussion, followed by virtual breakout rooms in which undergraduate students and their advisors from several universities and colleges will be able to meet professionals from federal and state government agencies with mission space in Earth resources fields. The forum is designed to provide students and their academic advisors the opportunity to develop new relationships with Earth resource/energy professionals and to gain insight on the potential opportunities for internships, fellowships, and careers in federal and state government. The forum will provide a respectful, engaging environment for undergraduate students and government professionals to interact and discuss opportunities for students to engage in fulfilling careers that address current and future Earth resource challenges for the country and its communities. Because this is a pilot project, the total number of participating schools and government agencies will be modest.

## **Register Here**

Thursday, November 4, 2021  All Times ET	
1:00 PM	Welcome and Introductions  Jim Slutz, CER Chair
1:10 PM	Keynote Presentation Tanya Trujillo, Assistant Secretary for Water and Science
1:30 PM	5 MINUTE BREAK
1:35 PM	Panel discussion: Career paths in government  Moderator: Tomieka Searcy, CER Member
	<ul> <li>Panelists</li> <li>Mamadou Diallo, Program Director, Environmental Engineering, National Science Foundation</li> <li>Jordyn-Marie Dudley, Planetary Geochemist and Project Manager, Jacobs-JETS contract</li> <li>Amanda Labrado, Geological Society of America-U.S. Geological Survey Congressional Science Fellow</li> <li>Elizabeth Smith, PhD student, University of Delaware</li> <li>Crystal Tulley-Cordova, Principle Hydrologist, Navajo Nation Department of Water Resources</li> <li>Sherilyn Williams-Stroud, Research Scientist, Structural Geologist, Illinois State Geological Survey</li> </ul>

2:25 PM	END OF OPEN SESSION - 5 MINUTE BREAK
2:30 PM	Virtual Career Forum for Selected Schools and Agencies
	<ul> <li>Participating government agencies</li> <li>Association of American State Geologists</li> <li>Department of Energy – Geothermal Technologies Office</li> <li>Department of Energy – Office of Fossil Energy &amp; Carbon Management</li> <li>National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health</li> <li>National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency</li> <li>National Science Foundation – Division of Earth Sciences</li> <li>Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation, and Enforcement</li> <li>United States Geological Survey</li> </ul>
	Participating schools  • El Paso Community College  • Fort Valley State University  • Navajo Technical University  • New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology  • North Carolina Central University  • Prince William Sound College  • Spelman College
4:25 PM	Concluding Remarks  Jim Slutz, CER Chair
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