**Reflect on Locally-Relevant Earth and Environmental Issues**

1. Review [*AGI’s Geoscience for America’s Critical Needs: Invitation to a National Policy Dialogue*](https://www.americangeosciences.org/policy/critical-needs)  and the fact sheet [Geoscience in Your State](https://www.americangeosciences.org/policy/factsheet/states) for the state you live in or care most about.
2. Which critical issue are you most concerned about? Why?
3. Based on the fact sheet, which issues are likely to be of greatest concern to people in your state? Why?
4. Is the top earth issue for your state also the top earth critical issue for the city or town you care about? Please find and summarize economic or societal impacts related to this issue. Cite at least 3 local news articles by providing author, date, title and source.
5. How might the top critical issue you have identified impact your community in distinct ways? Please reflect on people who have different roles and resources in your community (e.g. farmers, city managers, businesses).
6. Whose perspective was present in the news articles you reviewed?