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USGS Coalition Receives 2005 John Wesley Powell Award

In a ceremony in October, the USGS Coalition received the 2005 John Wesley Powell Award for successfully increasing awareness of the US Geological Survey among congressional and administration officials. The John Wesley Powell Award is named for the second USGS director and is given to organizations or individuals who have helped advance the USGS mission.

The USGS Coalition was established nearly three years ago by a broad cross-section of scientific, professional, and educational organizations dedicated to increasing federal funding for USGS. AIBS was a founding member of the coalition, for which AIBS director of public policy Robert Gropp has served as cochair for the past two years, with Craig Schiffries of the National Council for Science and the Environment.

For more information about the USGS Coalition, please visit www.usgscoalition.org or contact Robert Gropp at AIBS (e-mail: rgropp@aibs.org).

Careers in Biology Web Site Update

AIBS recently updated its "Careers in Biology" Web page at www.aibs.org/careers. The new page features comprehensive information for students interested in pursuing a career in biology, including the outlook for jobs in biology and new directions in the biological field, links that feature job and internship opportunities, and a links table showing the career and graduate school resources offered by AIBS member societies and

organizations (www.aibs.org/careers/mso_career_links.html).

Recent Articles Online at www.actionbioscience.org

Original article in English

- "The Importance of Agroforestry to the Maintenance of Biodiversity," by Peter Bichier, research associate at the Migratory Bird Center, Smithsonian National Zoological Park, Washington, DC

Spanish translations of previously posted articles

- "El Impacto Ambiental de las Especies Exóticas Marinas" [Environmental Impacts of Marine Exotics], an interview with James T. Carlton, director of Williams–Mystic, the maritime studies program of Williams College and Mystic Seaport, Mystic, Connecticut, and professor of marine sciences at Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts
- "La Resurrección de la Megafauna Extinta" [Resurrecting Extinct Megafauna], by Larry D. Agenbroad, director of the Mammoth Site of Hot Springs, South Dakota, and professor emeritus at Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff
- "Las Bacterias: Más que Patógenos" [Bacteria: More than Pathogens], by Trudy M. Wassenaar, a molecular biologist in Germany and curator of the Virtual Museum of Bacteria (www.bacteriamuseum.org)

Recent Public Policy Reports Online at www.aibs.org

Public Policy Report for 7 November 2005

- NSF receives funding boost in final appropriations legislation
- Senate passes omnibus budget bill; House gears up for vote this week
- NAS and NSTA say no to Kansas Board of Education
- Dover trial nears end
- USGS Coalition honored with 2005 John Wesley Powell Award
- New in *BioScience*: "Does the President's Science Adviser Have an Audience?"
- From the *Federal Register*

Public Policy Report for 24 October 2005

- Federal budget update
- New evolution education products now available
- ID on trial in Dover, PA: Defense calls first witnesses
- University presidents join chorus of academics opposed to intelligent design/creationism
- NSF position announcement: Director of Environmental Biology
- New in *BioScience*: "Streamlining the Federal Water Research Portfolio"
- From the *Federal Register*

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