



Ohio Revised Code

Section 1505.01 Division of geological survey.

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The division of geological survey:

- (A) Shall collect, study, and interpret all available information pertaining to the geomorphology, stratigraphy, paleontology, mineralogy, and geologic structure of the state and shall publish reports on the same;
- (B) Shall collect, study, and interpret all available data pertaining to the origin, distribution, extent, use, and valuation of mineralogical and geological raw materials and natural resources such as: clays, coals, building stones, gypsum, salt, limestones, dolomite, aggregates, sand, gravel, shales, oil, natural gas, brines, molding sands, and other natural substances of use and value, excluding only those pertaining to water usable as such for agricultural, industrial, commercial, and domestic purposes, but not excluding other rock fluids such as natural and artificial brines and oil-well fluids;
- (C) Shall make special studies and reports of resources of geological nature within the state that in its discretion are of current or potential economic, environmental, or educational significance or of significance to the health, welfare, and safety of the public;
- (D) May examine the technological processes by which mining, quarrying, or other extracting processes may be improved, or by which materials now uneconomical to exploit may be extracted and used commercially for the public welfare;
- (E) Shall make, store, catalog, and have available in perpetuity data, maps, diagrams, records, rock cores, samples, profiles, and geologic sections portraying the geological characteristics and topography of the state, both of general nature and of specific localities;
- (F) May advise, consult, or collaborate with representatives of agencies of the state, other state governments, or the United States government on problems or issues of a geological nature;



(G) Shall advise, consult, or collaborate with representatives of agencies of the state, other state governments, or the United States government on problems or issues of a geological nature when requested by such an agency or government;

(H) May create custom maps, custom data sets, or other custom products for government agencies, colleges and universities, and persons;

(I) May provide information on the geological nature of the state to government agencies, colleges and universities, and persons.