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## 2014 calendar reveals stunning Oregon landscapes

Images made using lidar technology show how geology influences the land under our feet

Portland, Oregon: The Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) has released its fourth and highly anticipated lidar landscapes calendar. The images for the 2014 calendar focus on geological processes and features across the state.

Lidar (light detection and ranging) is a remote sensing technique similar to radar that uses light pulses instead of radio waves. Lidar is typically "flown" or collected from planes and rapidly produces a large collection of very dense and accurate elevation points (up to 500,000 per second) over a large area. The product can be used to generate three-dimensional representations of the Earth's surface and its features.

The Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) uses lidar to create new-generation maps that are more accurate and comprehensive than any in the past. DOGAMI, via the Oregon Lidar Consortium, is continually acquiring <u>new lidar data</u> <u>throughout Oregon</u>. This calendar provides a sampling of the kinds of information that can be obtained with lidar.



calendar shows lidar derived imagery of Mount Hood. The 11 x 8.5 inch calendar is 28 pages.

The cover of the 2014

**DOGAMI's mission** is to provide earth science information and regulation to make Oregon safe and prosperous.

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2014 calendar images are:

- January Evolving River Channels, Willamette River and Tributaries, Central Willamette Valley, Oregon
- February -Lava Flow and Glacial Features, Jefferson County, Oregon
- March Municipal Watershed, Bull Run Dam One and Reservoir One, Multnomah County, Oregon

- April Eolian and Fluvial Features, Grande Ronde Valley, Union County, Oregon
- May Maars, North and South Twin Lakes, Deschutes County, Oregon (see image below)
- June Composite Volcano, Mount Hood, Clackamas and Hood River Counties, Oregon
- July Lava Flow and Cinder Cones, Newberry National Volcanic Monument, Deschutes County, Oregon



Lidar derived imagery shows the lava flows and cinder cones in the Newberry National Volcanic Monument in astounding detail.

The image description explains the geological processes that created the landforms.

- August Faults, Klamath County, Oregon
- September Coastal Cliffs, Near Blacklock Point, Curry County, Oregon
- October Mountain Uplift, Blue Mountains, Umatilla County, Oregon
- November Landslides and Debris Flows, Nehalem River Watershed, Columbia County, Oregon
- December Alluvial Fan and Floodplain, Rough and Ready Creek, Josephine County, Oregon

To see a preview of all the images in the calendar, visit: http://www.oregongeology.org/pubs/ll/p-calendar2014.htm

The "Lidar Intensified" 2014 paper calendar can be purchased for \$12 each from the **Nature of the Northwest Information Center (NNW**), 800 NE Oregon Street, Suite 965, Portland, Oregon, 97232. You may also call NNW at (971) 673-2331 or order online at <u>http://www.naturenw.org</u>. There is a \$4.95 shipping and handling charge for all mailed items.

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