

## HR 2855

Sinkhole Mapping Act of 2023

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Science, Technology, Communications

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**Current Status:** Subcommittee Hearings Held

**Latest Action:** Subcommittee Hearings Held (Oct 25, 2023)

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Oct 25, 2023

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Science, Technology, Communications

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## **Sinkhole Mapping Act of 2023**

This bill directs the United States Geological Survey (USGS) to establish a program to

- study the short-term and long-term mechanisms that cause sinkholes, including extreme storm events, prolonged droughts causing shifts in water management practices, aquifer depletion, and other major changes in water use; and
- develop maps depicting the zones that are at greater risk of forming sinkholes.

The USGS must establish a public website that displays such maps and other relevant information critical for use by community planners and emergency managers.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Oct 25, 2023:** Subcommittee Hearings Held
- **Oct 24, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.
- **Apr 25, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 25, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.