

2019 Congressional

# SOILS

**CAUCUS BRIEFING SERIES** 

### **WILDFIRES**

Answering burning questions—using soil science to capture the benefits of forest fires without the danger of catastrophic wild fires

Friday, March 29, 11 am – 12 pm 1302 Longworth HOB

**Professor Steve Hart** *University of California–Merced* 

### URBAN COMMUNITY HEALTH

Cleaning up lead and other dirty issues in soil for community health on a budget

Friday, June 14, 11 am – 12 pm 1300 Longworth HOB

Professor Nick Basta
The Ohio State University

### **DROUGHTS AND FLOODS**

Turning soils into sponges—opportunities for agriculture to reduce flood and drought risks

Monday, September 23

**Professor Andrea Basche** 

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

# **CARBON SEQUESTRATION**

The carbon bank beneath our feet-storing carbon in rangeland soil

Monday, November 4

**Climate Hub Fellow Caitlin Rottler** 

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agriculture Research Service Grazinglands Research Laboratory, El Reno, Oklahoma



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**The Congressional Soils Caucus** was established in 2006 to educate policymakers about the importance of soils and soil science. The Congressional Soils Caucus Alliance supports the efforts of the Caucus by educating Caucus members on the latest research in soil science, which aims for a more sustainable and profitable food system.

Recent briefings sponsored by the Congressional Soils Caucus include topics on the challenges of hemp production and citrus greening, and it co-hosts a yearly Soils, Vines & Wines reception that highlights the importance of soils (terroir) for wine quality and flavor. Upcoming briefings for 2019 include topics on wildfires, floods, safe foods from urban soils, and carbon sequestration. We hope you will join us in discovering more about soils and soil science!

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