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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I oppose sunsetting the Geoscientist Licensure Act because it provides needed protections to the public. One example is an acid gas injection well project I worked on where an oil and gas operator had not assessed the risk of an improperly plugged abandoned borehole being a conduit for deadline hydrogen sulfide to escape to the surface. A release had killed livestock and luckily no persons were hurt. I provided testimony using Class I hazardous waste injection well regulations to show that Texas Railroad Commission regulations were not effective in controlling this hazard. This is a problem that geologists are uniquely qualified to assess and bring protection to not only buyers of geoscience services but the general public as a whole. Thank you for considering my input.
John F. (Rick) Greiner, PG, CPG

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: None, the Geoscience Licensure Act is fine as it currently exists.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree