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Agency: TEXAS%20BOARD%20PROFESSIONAL%20LAND%20SURVEYING

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State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

I am a civil engineer and almost ever project I have worked on involves surveyors. In college I also took a couple surveying classes and worked in surveying while interning at a company that did both. In my opinion, surveying and engineering are distinct professions.

It seems like the sunset report primarily addresses only administrative issues for the TBPLS. I think the TBPLS should be given a chance to correct the issues listed in the report before being absorbed into the TBPE. I don't think surveyors will be given adequate voice in the TBPE due the large disparity in profession size. That being said I do believe there should be a hard timeline for correcting the issues listed in the report. If they unable to turn the administration around, combining the TBPLS into the TBPE is a viable alternative. If they are combined, I think they should have a surveying sub-board to regulate surveyors semi independently.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I think the TBPLS should be given a chance to correct the issues listed in the report before being absorbed into the TBPE. I don't think surveyors will be given adequate voice in the TBPE due the large disparity in profession size. That being said I do believe there should be a hard timeline for correcting the issues listed in the report. If they unable to turn the administration around, combining the TBPLS into the TBPE is a viable alternative. If they are combined, I think they should have a surveying sub-board to regulate surveyors semi independently.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree