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Sorry this is late, I have been out of pocket

Sunset Commision,

We should keep the TBPG because when we formed it, we did it so the Geos in other facets of the business would be able to do construction certs etc. like the PE's did (the PE's were against it). We exempted the O & G people in the original bylaws & despite a later effort by some wayward types at the TBPG to suck us (oil and gas geos) in to the mandatory tax/dues/fee for being certified, we all joined forces. i.e. the Oil & gas geos, environmental geos and academia's stuck together and held the TBPG board off. Basically, many petroleum geos don't give a rat , but most of the other disciplines do, so we should all stick together and support them (as they did for us) , because the system we have now is a known quantity that serves a big part of our discipline. If we abolish the TBPG, I am almost certain the well meaning politicians will replace the current system w something far worse. After all, they do want to regulate us. Just some food for thought.

Fyi

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