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Agency: TEXAS BOARD PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS TBPG

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

I have used the TBPG stamp in many evaluations, summations, and recommendations for governmental and private entities. My reports involved ground water monitoring systems and ground water contaminant plumes at government and private facilities. My reports were mainly to PE's or incorporated into reports compiled by engineering firms.

The use of the stamp is to indicate that I am a professional, qualified, ethical, and accredited earth scientist that has been certified by the State to prepare the required report. If a governmental entity is contaminating ground water it directly impacts the benefit, safety and well being of the general public. The public has responded and filed law suits in many and various cases where reports were compiled by incompetent individuals.

Many building projects (residential and commercial) require geotechnical and ground water evaluations to be performed by qualified and competent geoscientist. The general public is directly impacted by the results and evaluations of the reports-would you like to purchase a new home in a real estate development that rest upon 4 feet of very plastic clay or on gravel that is directly connected to an aquifer?? How many law suits have been filed over the years involving such situations. The safety, well being, and economics of such projects directly impacts the General Public.

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Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: The Agency requires a certified and trained professional geoscientist to be the director. There needs to be real enforcement action if any complaint is made.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree