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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:

Dear Sunset Commission,

I am not in support of abolishing the (TBPG) Texas Board of Professional Geologists. The health and safety of the public are best served by having the state license geologists who are stewards of the earth and make many decisions that affect the lives of Texans from the water that they drink to the land they walk on and cultivate. Geologists also are a large part of the history and economic development of our state. Texas is home to more geologists than any other place in the world and for this reason alone the State of Texas needs to provide the means for geologists to obtain a license if they so desire. Other states look to Texas to set precedents regarding a variety of geological issues.

I have been a member of the TBPG since it was formed in September 2003. I work in the Texas oil and gas industry. This license has elevated my qualifications as a petroleum geophysicist. Holding a Professional license signifies that I am held to a high Ethical and Professional standard that is regulated by the state of Texas. This has been important when representing companies I have worked for in foreign countries when I needed to present my qualifications in order to perform my work responsibilities in their counties. It has also provided me with the credentials to be an expert witness which can have an economic benefit to me.

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Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: None

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree