From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Janet Wood</u>

Subject: FW: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

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From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov <sunset@sunset.texas.gov> On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission

Sent: Wednesday, November 28, 2018 8:26 PM

To: Sunset Advisory Commission <Sunset@sunset.texas.gov>

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Agency: TEXAS BOARD PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYING

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: Darren McDivitt and the team prepared a thorough and well written report. Though I agree with Sunset Staff regarding key deficiencies within TBPLS, as a Registered Professional Land Surveyor, I believe that a reformed TBPLS would better protect the public than a board comprised of engineers and land surveyors.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I recommend that the TBPLS remain an independent agency, but swift changes must be made within the agency – including (a) making a real effort to clear up the backlog of open complaints, (b) providing staff changes necessary to address concerns listed in the Sunset Staff Report regarding lapsed funds and complaints, (c) developing an enforcement policy, and (d) conducting an annual performance review of Executive Director and Investigators by TBPLS board members.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree