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Agency: TEXAS BOARD PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS TBPG

First Name: Michael

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Title: President

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

I support the recommendation of the Texas Sunset Advisory Commission to abolish the Texas Board of Professional Geoscientists and repeal the Texas Geoscience Practise Act. The work of the Sunset commission is compelling when it found that:

"The board (TBG) has never received a complaint that posed significant harm or risk to the public even though it has worked with other agencies and political subdivisions to ensure they funnel any potential violations of the Texas Geoscience Practice Act and Code of Professional Ethics — anything pertaining to the practice of geoscience in Texas — to the board. However, the board rarely receives complaint referrals from other entities, and has never received any from two of the largest state agencies it partners with, the Railroad Commission of Texas and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality."

(from the Sunset Commission Executive Summary)

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Recommendation: Transfer TBG technical staff to the RRC or TCEQ, without loss of seniority or benefits.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree