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**To:** [Brittany Calame](#)  
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From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov <sunset@sunset.texas.gov> On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission  
Sent: Friday, August 10, 2018 2:17 PM  
To: Sunset Advisory Commission <Sunset@sunset.texas.gov>  
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Agency: TEXAS BOARD PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS TBPG

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City: Waco

State: Texas

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

I support your decision to abolish this agency and repeal the Act. I have a degree in Geosciences, but have chosen work that centers around water quality and water availability in our state. Because this is not a purely geological discipline, I have never worked directly for a Professional Geologist (PG).

However, I apply many concepts that were taught to me while earning my geology degree, such as hydrology, hydrogeology, characteristics of karst terrain, etc. But, because I have never worked under a PG, I have not endeavored to become licensed, since one of the requirements is experience working under a PG. Should the economy change and I need to make a shift in my career, I am extremely limited by this, even though I have a degree in the field.

I also believe this is detrimental to young science professionals who struggle to get relevant experience to get licensed because they cannot easily obtain employment in their chosen field until they are licensed.

From the beginning, I believed this Act was attempting to fix a problem that did not exist. I am glad the Texas Sunset Advisory Commission agrees.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Please sunset this agency and repeal the Act.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree