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From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov <sunset@sunset.texas.gov> On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission
Sent: Tuesday, August 21, 2018 6:41 AM
To: Sunset Advisory Commission <Sunset@sunset.texas.gov>
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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 am writing in defense of the Texas Board of Professional Geoscientists and licensure of geologists in Texas. Most engineers are not geologists.

Therefore, engineers don't see the earth's processes and the effects that these processes have on our environment, our infrastructure and on our way of life, in the same way that geologists do. Responsible and experienced licensed Professional Geoscientists and Engineering Geologists are valuable contributors to our society. Engineering Geologists and Professional Geoscientists work with Professional Engineers to assure that geologic factors are properly considered during the planning and implementation of infrastructure and environmental projects and therefore share responsibility with the Professional Engineer. If there is to be no licensure for geologists in Texas, then public accountability of the geologic profession will be diminished and the public's safety and welfare, with respect to environmental issues and infrastructure projects, will suffer. Please do not sunset the Texas Board of Professional Geoscientists and end licensure of geologists in Texas.

Sincerely,

Donald B. Riley, P.G., C.E.G

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Please do not sunset the Texas Board of Professional Geoscientists and do not terminate licensure of geologists in Texas.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree