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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:

As a P.G. that had to pass the rigorous testing, this troubles me greatly. I have worked in the environmental industry long enough to see how dangerous unlicensed geoscience practice is to the environment. With no demonstrated competency benchmark, this sunset action will be detrimental to the environmental field in the state of Texas; especially as it relates to the protection of our most precious groundwater resources. The statement "no measurable impact on public protection," is short sighted and naïve. One only needs to look into the State's LPST program for evidence. Groundwater (and the contaminants that may be entrained,) moves very slowly...

The majority of competent geoscience work relates to the subsurface. Therefore, the observation of direct benefits is difficult to the layperson, and may take years to understand and appreciate. 17 years is not enough time to fully realize the benefits of this Act.

Does the Sunset Advisory Commission have a Geoscientist member?

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:
-Maintain The Texas Professional Geoscience Practice Act.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree