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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: Nice report, however I think the report ignores or minimizes three important points. First, the agency supports itself and puts money INTO the State budget. Duh! Second, the report minimizes the benefit to the State of regulating an essential professional function. I can assure you that States that do not have this regulatory function are perceived poorly by professional geoscientists. It's an optics thing. Finally, professional registration is not about short-term results. Rather it is about establishing, maintaining and building a group of recognized professionals over time. Sixteen years is about half a career.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Continue to allow the agency to function and build it's ability to ensure professionalism.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree