From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Brittany Calame</u>

Subject: FW: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

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From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov <sunset@sunset.texas.gov> On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission

Sent: Friday, August 3, 2018 9:09 AM

To: Sunset Advisory Commission <Sunset@sunset.texas.gov>

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Agency: TEXAS BOARD PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS TBPG

First Name: James

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Title: Senior Hydrogeologist

Organization you are affiliated with: TRC Environmental

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State: Wisconsin

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or

Opposed: I wish to express my support for the Texas Board of Professional Geoscientists. I have over 30 years of experience as a geologist and have worked extensively in Texas during those years. I am also registered in nine other states and I believe the TBPG is one of the best I have had the pleasure of being a member of. They are diligent in keeping our profession at the forefront of providing sound and professional standards that result in increased confidence and safety for the citizenry. If Hurricane Harvey isn't proof enough that Texas needs geoscientists to study and develop accurate flood plain maps in addition to assuring that groundwater resources remain plentiful and safe. Finally, Texas is blessed with a finite wealth of mineral resources. It is up to geoscientists to efficiently locate and develop those reserves.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I as you to retain funding for the Texas Board of Professional Geoscinetists.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree