

AGENDA

HEARING ON PROPOSED RULES TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS

Via Videoconference

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October 14, 2020—8:30 AM

Due to Governor Greg Abbott's March 13, 2020, proclamation of a state of disaster affecting all counties in Texas due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and the Governor's March 16, 2020, suspension of certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, the October 14, 2020, hearing on proposed rules will be held by video-conference, as otherwise authorized under Texas Government Code section 551.127. Due to the Governor's suspension, the public will not be able to attend the open meeting in person.

Members of the public will have access to view the meeting via YouTube and the link will be available on the agency website at <https://pels.texas.gov>. Members of the public will have access to participate and make public comment in this meeting, by two-way audio/video, by connecting to the video access number identified on the agenda above or by clicking on the link contained on the agency website at <https://pels.texas.gov>. Members of the public are encouraged to confirm the correct conference access number/link 24 hours before the meeting by going to the agency website. An electronic copy of the agenda is available at <https://pels.texas.gov>. A recording of the meeting will be available after October 21, 2020, on the agency website.

For public participants who wish to make public comment, after the meeting convenes, the presiding officer will call roll of board members and then of public attendees. Please identify yourself by name and state whether you would like to provide public comment. You may also email comment@pels.texas.gov in advance of the meeting if you would like to provide public comment. During the public comment portion of the meeting, the presiding officer will recognize you by name and give you an opportunity to speak. All public comments will be limited to three (3) minutes. All participants are asked to keep their microphones muted when they are not providing public comment.

1. Call to Order

2. Public hearing to receive comments from interested persons concerning proposed rule changes under Texas Occupations Code §§1001.101 and 1001.202, which provides the Texas Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors (TBPELS) with the authority to promulgate and adopt rules consistent with the Act governing its administration, including rule amendments, new rules, and rule repeals of the following rule Chapters:

- 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 131, Organization and Administration (as published in the August 7, 2020, issue of the Texas Register)
- 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 134, Licensing, Registration, and Certification for Surveyors (as published in the August 7, 2020, issue of the Texas Register)
- 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 136, Surveying Firm Registration (as published in the August 7, 2020, issue of the Texas Register)
- 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 138, Compliance and Professionalism for Surveyors (as published in the August 14, 2020, issue of the Texas Register)
- 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 139, Enforcement (as published in the August 7, 2020, issue of the Texas Register)

Any interested person may appear and offer comments or statements, either orally or in writing; however, questioning of commenters will be reserved exclusively to the Texas Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors or its staff as may be necessary to ensure a complete record. While any person with pertinent comments or statements will be granted an opportunity to present them during the hearing, TBPELS reserves the right to restrict statements in terms of time or repetitive content. Organizations, associations, or groups are encouraged to present their commonly held views or similar comments through a representative member where possible. Persons with disabilities who have special needs and who plan to attend the meeting should contact Cristabel Bodden of TBPELS at 512-440-3051.

3. Adjourn.



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