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Sealing Fraud and Online Marketplaces

The Board has been made aware of a rise in fraudulently sealed plans being offered through online marketplaces such as Fiverr, Upworks, and others. Some of the postings on these sites for engineering or surveying work appear to be offered by non-licensed individuals, sometimes located out of the country. They advertise they can provide engineering or surveying work and then provide 'signed and sealed work' that bears a fraudulent seal of a Texas engineer or land surveyor, or a completely made-up individual, who was not ever involved in the project. The entire transaction, communication, and payment are all conducted online. To date, the Board is not aware of the scope of engineers or land surveyors legitimately using these platforms or how many people have been impacted by fraudulent offers. We are working to address this with other Texas state agencies and NCEES as it is a nationwide issue. However – if you become aware of a situation where unlicensed individuals are offering engineering services or fraudulent seals / signatures are being used through one of the online marketplace sites, please contact the Board to file a complaint.



Customer Service Survey

We are collecting feedback on our customer service. We would appreciate it if you could take a moment to complete our survey here- <https://pels.texas.gov/customer-service-survey>

Proposed Amendments to the Experience Reporting Process - (Engineering Applicants)

The Texas Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors proposes amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code (Board Rules) as part of a project to revise and improve the experience reporting requirements for engineering applicants. For more information - <https://pels.texas.gov/downloads/board/rules/tbpels-prop-amend-exp-reporting.pdf>.

Board and Committee Meetings

February 19-20, 2026

Agendas, minutes, and recordings are available at <https://pels.texas.gov/boardmeetings.htm>



Board Members Reappointed

TBPELS is honored to announce that Governor Abbott has re-appointed the following Board Members: Chairman Dr. Sina Nejad, PE; Coleen Johnson, RPLS; and Dr. Margo McClinton Stoglin. Their terms will run through September 2031.

Disciplinary Actions

All enforcement actions approved by the Board are posted on the TBPELS website. Enforcement actions are reported based on the date of the Board meeting at which the actions were taken.

<http://pels.texas.gov/disciplinary.htm>

Future Meetings

The next meetings will be held on May 20-21, 2026. Refer to our website for agendas and links to attend the meetings.

<https://pels.texas.gov/boardmeetings.htm>

Board Meeting Recordings

Viewing the live stream or recording of the Board meetings qualifies for continuing education credit under the category of self-directed study.

Engineers may accrue a maximum of five self-directed study credit hours per renewal cycle. The maximum self-directed study credit for surveyors is four hours per renewal cycle.

<https://pels.texas.gov/boardmeetings.htm>



Exams

National Engineering and Surveying Exams

All NCEES exams (PE, PS, FE, FS) are now computer-based. Refer to NCEES for specific exam dates and deadlines-

[Exam Schedule](#)

2026 TBPELS Surveyor Exam schedule

The Texas Specific Surveying Exams (TSSE and LSLs) will be offered June 26, 2026 and October 23, 2026.

Please see the TBPELS website for more exam application deadlines and information - [Surveying Exam Schedule](#)

Outreach and Webinars

Schedule an Outreach

TBPELS provides online outreach presentations at no charge to license holders, associations, societies, and companies. The following guidelines are used in reviewing outreach requests:

- The default method of presentation is via webinar.
- A minimum of 50 attendees is recommended for a face-to-face presentation request.
- All requests are subject to review and approval.
- Request processing can take up to 14 working days.
- Please submit your request at least three (3) weeks prior to the proposed date of the event.
- Rescheduling will require a new request.
- Presentations are typically 1 hour in length.

Request an event by clicking on the link below:

<https://pels.texas.gov/outreach.html>

Engineer and Surveyor Ethics Webinars

The Board offers monthly one-hour, free ethics webinars to assist license and registration holders with meeting their continuing education requirements. Each webinar provides an up-to-date overview of agency activities, case studies, and a review of professional ethics topics.

The next ethics webinar will be on June 10th and 11th. Registration for future webinars will open a month prior. Please note that each registration is capped at 1,000 attendees per webinar and will close when this cap is reached.



To sign up for an ethics webinar click link below:

<https://pels.texas.gov/webinars.html>

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