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The Board's Sunset Bill: What it Means to You, What it Means for Us

Legislation enacted in 1994 put in place a procedure and schedule for the Legislature to assess the effectiveness of, or need for, state involvement in the various occupational areas currently regulated by the Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) and its various boards and bureaus. Pursuant to this law, independent boards become inoperative, according to a specified schedule, on January 1 of a given year. Thus, the boards and their regulatory authorities "sunset," unless the Legislature passes laws to either reinstate the board or extend its sunset date. Our Board underwent this review in 2018–19.

The Board is pleased to report that its sunset bill (Assembly Bill 1522, Low, Chapter 630, Statutes of 2019) was signed into law by Governor Gavin Newsom on October 8, 2019. The bill extends the statutory provisions for the continued operation of the Board until January 1, 2024, at which time the Board is scheduled to undergo another sunset review. A significant benefit of the sunset review process is the ongoing evaluation of Board activities and the various changes and improvements developed as a result of this evaluation.

With the passing of the sunset bill this year, new legislation takes effect January 1, 2020, that will better assist the Board in its efforts to protect California's consumers.

So how does passage of the sunset bill affect the Board's operations? The sunset bill extends the operations of the Board until January 1, 2024 (Business and Professions Code sections 6710, 6714, and 8710). It also helps the Board progress toward meeting the 2017 Updated Strategic Plan goals. The goals were developed with input from licensed professionals and other stakeholders.

Strategic Plan Goal: Laws and Regulations

Proactively monitor and clarify, as needed, laws and regulations.

One change made by the sunset bill relates to an exemption in the Professional Land Surveyors' Act relating to who may perform surveys solely for geological or landscape purposes that do not involve property boundaries. Section 8727 is being updated to clarify that the exemption applies only to those individuals legally authorized to practice geology or landscape architecture.

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Another change made relates to the repeal of section 6704.1 in the Professional Engineers Act that mandated the performance of a study regarding the title act licenses. The study was conducted and submitted to the Legislature in 2002 as required. As such, this section is now obsolete.

A conforming section (7860.1) has been added to the Geologist and Geophysicist Act to give the Board the authority to take action against the holder of a Geologist-in-Training certificate for certain specified violations. The Board already has this authority with regard to Engineer-in-Training and Land Surveyor-in-Training certificates.

Strategic Plan Goal: Enforcement

Maintain complaint investigation cycle times under 180 calendar days.

The sunset bill removes the sunset date in sections 6775.2, 7860.2, and 8780.2, which require licensees to respond to written requests from Board staff regarding investigations against the licensees themselves. These sections were added to the Board's three licensing acts during the prior sunset review and included a sunset date so that the effectiveness of these sections could be monitored and reviewed. During this sunset review, the Board provided data demonstrating that it has not abused its authority under these sections and that these sections have been effective and are working as intended. Therefore, it is appropriate to remove the sunset date from these sections.

The Board believes the extension of its sunset date, and the changes to its licensing laws, will allow the Board to continue its mission to protect the health, safety, welfare, and property of the public in an efficient and effective manner.

The updated laws are available on the Board's website, www.bpelsg.ca.gov.



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Get to Know Our Licensees

*An Interview with: Jonathan Hofert, P.E., T.E., PTOE, ENV SP
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority; Director, Engineering Program Management*

Why did you become an engineer?



I really like to solve problems, and the thing I most attribute to becoming an engineer is playing with Legos, which I even do to this day with my kids, ages 7 and 4. I would build things without using the instructions, and I thought I was an architect, and my mom never corrected me.

Later, I realized that my creations weren't very aesthetic; rather, they were very functional. If I needed a bridge to play with, I created one, if I needed a space ship, I built one. My passion for engineering was developed by Legos when I was young, and it brings me joy when my sons play with Legos. The problem solving, with creating infrastructure to solve problems with Legos, is why I think I became an engineer, and I hope my sons follow in becoming engineers.

Why did you specialize in traffic engineering?

When I was introduced to traffic engineering, it was by chance. I responded to an email while I was attending Cal Poly Pomona that a traffic engineering intern position was open for the city of Corona. I applied and got the job, but what hooked me was when the City Traffic Engineer, Rusty Beardsley (TE 1784), introduced me to another side of engineering. Traffic/transportation is more than engineering; there needs to be an understanding of human psychology to address city traffic, and you need to understand how the people would react to an installed sign. What I later realized is this was a way of introducing me to engineering judgment. In addition, Rusty mentioned that traffic will never go away, and that it was a specialty to be in for job security, which allowed me to work during the housing recession.

What attracted you to your field, and what positions have you held as you advanced in your career?

Transportation and solving problems are my passions, and I would say that my attraction to the field of engineering is that it also adds the ability to help people. Getting into traffic engineering I think was a little bit of chance, but engineering was always part of the plan. I started as an intern with the city of Corona for three years while studying at Cal Poly Pomona, then went into the private sector, then what I call my career pathway at two private-sector companies and L.A. Metro. I started as an assistant engineer for three years, design engineer for one year, Engineer II for two years, Senior Engineer for one year, lead engineer for one, then moved to L.A. Metro as a Senior Engineer for two years, and currently I am a Director of Project Engineering for two years now, totaling approximately 12 years of transportation engineering experience.

Do you have any family members or relatives in your field?

I have family members in civil engineering, urban/regional planning, and land surveying; however, none in traffic engineering.

Where did you attend school (post high school), and what academic and professional degrees do you hold?

I have a bachelor's and master's degree in civil engineering from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.

What value does your professional license represent to you, and how has it helped in your career?

I am very proud of my professional licenses and believe achieving them helped in my career pathway. If I did not have a goal to achieve my professional licenses, I am not sure I would be where I am today. I think the process and the individuals who were on the same pathway of achieving professional licenses helped in my individual career pathway. Those who you stay in contact with, either through professional organizations or mentoring, help you navigate up the career pathway in some shape or another.

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What are your responsibilities and duties in your current position?

As the director, my responsibilities include project management, oversight, and engineering support for new Measure M light-rail extension transit projects (Gold Line Foothill and Eastside extensions). I am providing world-class transportation options to Los Angeles County.

Briefly discuss the biggest challenges you face as a traffic engineer.

This question is a great one, and there are a lot of discussions in the industry about traffic engineering challenges. For my light-rail extension projects, I believe that the first and last mile (FLM) of the user's trip is the biggest challenge because at L.A. Metro, we are creating an infrastructure inheritance of light-rail projects, and I think FLM infrastructure is critical to a user's transit experience. I look forward to how traffic engineering professionals and professional organizations plan to address this FLM challenge.

Briefly discuss the changes in your scope of duties through your career due to the growing population in California.

When I first started in traffic engineering as an intern in the Inland Empire, cities were not built out and new freeways, interchanges, and lane additions were being planned. Now that I am working in Los Angeles County, I feel the change California's population brings. We do not have the luxury to add new freeways, build new interchanges, and add more lanes without causing major impacts. I am now currently working on light-rail extensions, always focusing on mobility, but the primary technology of my projects has changed, and I think related to our growing population.

BOARD NEWS

Business Modernization and Emerging Technologies

To continue with our successes from the sunset bill and achieving our 2017 Updated Strategic Plan goals, the Board is seeking to develop and implement an integrated licensing and enforcement case management system. The Board has been working its way through the California Department of Technology's Project Approval Lifecycle (PAL) process for project and funding approval. In 2020, we will begin developing and implementing our selected business modernization software consistent with the Department of Consumer Affairs Business Modernization Plan (BMP). The current systems we use lack an intuitive online public-facing portal that our stakeholders can use to submit consumer complaints, applications, and license renewals. The Board is determined to procure a proven robust software solution capable of interacting with other software applications in real-time and provide the best path forward to modernize our business operations.

We look forward to sharing ongoing updates as this project takes shape in the new year and becomes a reality for all of our stakeholders.



Legislation and Regulation News and Updates

Every legislative session, the Board tracks and analyzes bills that potentially impact the Board's operations, the licensed professions the Board regulates, and the statutes that determine that authority. We consistently strive to identify, analyze, and advertise at public Board meetings the bills introduced that may change the landscape of our statutory authority. For more information on upcoming Board meetings and to download meeting materials, go to www.bpelsg.ca.gov/about_us/meetings/index.shtml.

The following is a summary of tracked legislation and current regulations:

Legislation

Assembly Bill 1522—Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists. http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB1522

Senate Bill 339—Land Surveyors. http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB339

Regulations

All information pertaining to rulemaking proposals can be found on the Board's website, www.bpelsg.ca.gov/about_us/rulemaking.shtml.

Regulatory Proposal on Fee Changes

The Board proposes to amend sections 407, 410, and 3005 and to adopt section 3010 of Divisions 5 and 29 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations. This proposal is designed to enable the Board to maintain its licensing, disciplinary, and oversight operations to protect California's consumers, while also ensuring any projected surpluses are within appropriate fund reserve limits. Additionally, the proposed fee structure will set effective policy decisions that foster an affordable path to licensure, align fees with the full cost of operational services, set fees to facilitate the effective administration of the Board, and respond more efficiently to the needs of the public, applicants, and licensees. To be kept apprised of the status of this proposal as it moves through the process, join the Board's email subscriber list at www.dca.ca.gov/webapps/bpelsg/subscribe.php or check the Board's website.



Enforcement Actions

Citations Issued to Licensees: Fiscal Year 2019–20 (July–September)

Citations are issued to licensed engineers, land surveyors, geologists, and geophysicists when the severity of a violation may not warrant suspension or revocation of the licensee’s right to practice. When a fine is levied with a citation, payment of the fine does not constitute admission of any violations charged but represents a satisfactory resolution of the matter, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.9(d). Code sections numbered in the 6700s, 7800s, and 8700s refer to the Business and Professions Code; those numbered in the 400s and 3000s refer to Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations. You may read the laws on the Board’s website, www.bpelsg.ca.gov/laws/index.shtml. All final citations are matters of public record. For a copy of the final citation order or if you have any questions, you may contact the Board’s Enforcement Unit at BPELSG.Enforcement.Information@dca.ca.gov or (916) 263-2284. Please include the name of the cited person and the citation number in your request.

Cited Person	Citation No.	Violation Code Section(s)	Date Final	Fine Amount	Status of Fine
CAAMPUED, HERNANDO	10748-L	8761; 8762(b)(1),(3),(5)	7/5/2019	\$3,000	Paid
HOGAN, MICHAEL	10736-L	8759(a)(4); 8771(a); 8772	8/1/2019	\$0	N/A
MARKARIAN, MARDIRO	10642-L	6749(a)(3),(4),(5); 6775(d)	9/12/2019	\$2,500	
NGUYEN, LAN VIET	10754-L	6775(c)	7/12/2019	\$2,000	Paid
RUBNER, MICHAEL	10765-L	8764.5; 8766(a); 8773.2(a)	8/29/2019	\$1,000	Paid
SAMAMA, ALBERT	10617-L	6749(a)(4),(5)	9/12/2019	\$1,000	Paid
SWIFT, DONALD	10751-L	6749(a); 6749(a)(4),(5); 6775(d)	7/8/2019	\$1,000	Paid
SWIFT, DONALD	10750-L	8759(a)(4),(5); 8767; 8780(b)	7/8/2019	\$2,500	Paid
TANIKELLA, NARASIMHA	10747-L	6735(a); 6775(c)	7/3/2019	\$1,500	Paid
VANLANDINGHAM, NICHOLAS	10728-L	8771(a),(b),(c)	7/5/2019	\$0	N/A



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Citations Issued to Unlicensed Individuals: Fiscal Year 2019–20 (July–September)

Citations are an alternative to criminal prosecutions that the Board can use to enforce the laws prohibiting the unlicensed practice of engineering, land surveying, geology, and geophysics, or other activities for which a license is required. When a fine is levied with a citation, payment of the fine does not constitute admission of any violations charged but represents a satisfactory resolution of the matter pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.9(d). Code sections numbered in the 6700s, 7800s, and 8700s refer to the Business and Professions Code; those numbered in the 400s and 3000s refer to Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations. You may look up the code sections and read the laws on the Board’s website, www.bpelsg.ca.gov/laws/index.shtml. All final citations are matters of public record. For a copy of the final citation order or if you have any questions, you may contact the Board’s Enforcement Unit at (916) 263-2284 or BPELSG.Enforcement.Information@dca.ca.gov. Please include the name of the cited person and the citation number in your request.

Cited Person	Citation No.	Violation Code Section(s)	Date Final	Fine Amount	Status of Fine
BLANCO, DENNIS	10744-U	6787(f); 8792(h)	9/30/2019	\$0	N/A
DERA, DANNY	10763-U	8792(a),(h)	8/28/2019	\$3,000	
HIGGINS, JOSHUA	10568-U	6787(a),(g)	7/19/2019	\$5,000	
HUNT, ROBERT	10746-U	8792(a)	7/1/2019	\$5,000	
MARTINEZ, ARMANDO	10768-U	6787(a)	9/5/2019	\$1,000	
PIO, MIRIAM	10769-U	6787(a),(g)	9/5/2019	\$1,000	
RUSSELL, LINDA SUE	10731-U	8792(a),(i)	8/26/2019	\$1,000	Paid
VALENCIA, ARNOLD (CORE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)	10753-U	6787(a),(g); 8792(a),(i)	7/8/2019	\$2,000	Paid



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Formal Administrative Disciplinary Decisions: Fiscal Year 2019–20 (July–September)

A formal disciplinary decision is considered a formal administrative disciplinary action against a licensee. It results from the Board’s adoption of a proposed decision prepared by an administrative law judge following a hearing, a stipulated settlement agreement, or a default decision following a full investigation and the filing of an accusation. An accusation is a formal legal document that notifies a licensee of the Board’s charges and allegations of violations against the licensee and that requests a disciplinary order be issued. The licensee is entitled to contest the charges at a formal hearing before an administrative law judge or to agree to a stipulated settlement. A final disciplinary decision contains findings and determinations or statements of advisements, waivers, and culpability and a disciplinary order. If there are findings of violations, the order may include revocation or suspension of the license, a stayed revocation or suspension of the license with a probationary period and terms and conditions of probation, or a public reproof. In the alternative, the decision may find that no violations or violations of a de minimus nature occurred and order the dismissal of the accusation. All final disciplinary decisions are matters of public record. For a copy of the final decision or if you have any questions, you may contact the Board’s Enforcement Unit at (916) 263-2284 or BPPELSG.Enforcement.Information@dca.ca.gov. Please include the name of the respondent and the case number in your request.

Respondent	Case Number	Effective Date	Disciplinary Order
ALTURAS, CHRIS	1151-A	7/19/2019	Revocation, Stayed; Probation
BARTON, BRUCE	1047-A	7/19/2019	Revocation of License
BAZLEY, TIMOTHY	1206-A	9/13/2019	Revocation of License
CALDWELL, MICHAEL	1207-A	7/19/2019	Public Reproof
CASE, LARRY	1158-A	9/13/2019	Revocation, Stayed; Probation
DARVASAN-STANCIU, GEORGE	1183-A	7/19/2019	Revocation, Stayed; Probation
DEAK, ANDREAS	1202-A	7/19/2019	Revocation, Stayed; Probation
GAPASIN, ARTHUR	1146-A	9/13/2019	Revocation, Stayed; Probation
JANUSZEWSKI, VINCENT	1169-A	9/13/2019	Revocation, Stayed; Probation
KIASALEH, KAMBIZ	1155-A	7/19/2019	Revocation, Stayed; Probation
LEE, FRANK	1172-A	9/13/2019	Revocation, Stayed; Probation
MERRILL, MICHAEL	1177-A	9/13/2019	Revocation of Licenses
NICKOLAS, KEVIN	1117-A	7/19/2019	Revocation, Stayed; Probation
TUKHI, MASIH	1204-A	7/19/2019	Revocation of Certificate

In Memoriam

In celebration of the lives and contributions of the following professionals, BPELSG recognizes professionals licensed as engineers, land surveyors, or geologists who recently passed away. Below is a list of individuals who have departed during the first fiscal quarter of July through September. This list may not include all those who have recently passed away, as we rely on information from the public, other licensees, and family members. Please contact BPELSG regarding individuals who have recently passed.

Name	License Number	Years of Service
Engineers		
George B. Avery	C 12041	59 yrs.
Richard Allen Bednar	CS 3244	40 yrs.
Mark V. Belgarde	M 23557	33 yrs.
Norman R. Bergrun	M 2607	70 yrs.
Chester Hartford Chandler III	C 45558	28 yrs.
Noel L. Christensen	C 15398	53 yrs.
Anne Christine Connell	C 34494	36 yrs.
Jeremiah Michael Crowley	C 23325	45 yrs.
John Ernest Fiedler	E 7652	47 yrs.
Andrew Philip Fisichelli	C 40683	32 yrs.
Charles Walter Frost	M 21781	36 yrs.
Robert John Furman	C 31166	38 yrs.
Roger R. Haxby	M 13019	55 yrs.
Peter Leroy Huttlinger	C 29297	40 yrs.
Mead Brokaw Kibbey	M 225	70 yrs.
Marlin Lee Koester	C 19718	48 yrs.
Leonard Joseph Martini	M 18774	40 yrs.
James Everett McTaggart	E 7839	46 yrs.
Therese Anne Rearick	E 18142	12 yrs.
Michael Frank Richards	M 32425	15 yrs.
Ronald Jay Sarouhan	C 27281	42 yrs.
Aleksey Leonidovich Shkipin	E 20892	4 yrs.
Gaye Larry Sladek	C 22208	45 yrs.
Eugene Edward Williams	E 10368	38 yrs.
Jarrett Thomas Woodruff	C 72961	10 yrs.

Name	License Number	Years of Service
Geologists		
Randy Dan Bauer	GEO 6811	20 yrs.
John Warren Gabelman	GEO 3790	35 yrs.
Land Surveyors		
Randall Lee Huebner	L 5451	34 yrs.
William Frederick Slepnikoff	L 5701	31 yrs.
Multiple Licenses		
George Louis Fletcher	C 13872	55 yrs.
	CS 1708	41 yrs.
	M 12049	59 yrs.
Charles Lloyd Hornbeck	C 10765	53 yrs.
	L 4564	32 yrs.
Neil Arthur Norman	M 12550	57 yrs.
	MF 3990	40 yrs.
	NU 920	41 yrs.
Ronald Joel Tanenbaum	C 49780	26 yrs.
	GE 2343	22 yrs.
Peter Oleh Babij	GEO 6679	21 yrs.
	HG 562	21 yrs.



OUTREACH EVENTS: July–September 2019

University Outreach

September 19: *Cal Poly, Pomona*

Geomatics Conference presentation “Land Surveying Licensure” by Dallas Sweeney, PLS.

September 20: *Ventura County (Oxnard College)*

Society of Women Engineers’ (SWE) San Buenaventura Section presentation to engineering students in all disciplines on the requirements for EIT and PE. Presentation was focused on education requirements, FE/PE exams and why they should pursue professional licensure. Also invited to attend were the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineering (SHPE) in Oxnard, Ventura College, and California State University, Channel Islands, students. Presented by Natalie King, P.E., and Mike Donelson, P.E.

September 30: *California State University, Chico*

Presentation to faculty and students in the Geological and Environmental Sciences Department (GEOS) titled “Career Planning: The GIT and the Professional Geologist License” by Laurie Racca, P.G.

Professional Outreach

August 1: *San Francisco*

American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) “San Francisco Younger Member Forum” presentation by Natalie King, P.E.



Government Agency Outreach

Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB)

July 16 and August 7 (Rancho Cordova office),
July 25 (Redding office), **August 14** (Fresno office).

At the request of the RWQCB, Board staff provided a review of the licensure requirements for engineers, land surveyors, and geologists, provided information regarding recent updates to the license application requirements and the work that requires a licensed professional, documents that require the stamp/signature of a licensed professional, definitions of civil engineering and geology, and how that affects the work of the RWQCB. Presented by Laurie Racca, P.G., Natalie King, P.E., and Mike Donelson, P.E.

Division of Oil, Gas and Geothermal Resources (DOGGR)

August 15 (Sacramento office), **August 21** (Orcutt office),
August 22 (Ventura office).

At the request of the DOGGR, Board staff provided a review of the licensure requirements for engineers, land surveyors, and geologists, and provided information regarding recent updates to the license application requirements. Presented by Laurie Racca, P.G., Mike Donelson, P.E., and Tiffany Criswell.

Division of Mine Reclamation (DMR) Surface Mine Workshop

September 17 (Sacramento).

At the request of the DMR, Board staff provided a review of the licensure requirements for engineers, land surveyors, and geologists as part of the DMR Surface Mine Workshop series. Presented by Laurie Racca, P.G., and Dallas Sweeney, PLS.

Board Speakers Available

BPELSG continues its efforts to reach out to groups interested in any of the broad array of BPELSG functions. As part of this outreach effort, we have speakers available to present at meetings and events. Speakers include Executive Officer Ric Moore, PLS; Assistant Executive Officer Nancy Eissler; Enforcement Manager Tiffany Criswell; Senior Engineering Registrars Natalie King, P.E., and Mike Donelson, P.E.; Senior Land Surveyor Registrar Dallas Sweeney, PLS; and Senior Geology Registrar Laurie Racca, P.G.

Our Enforcement, Licensing, Examination, and Outreach units all have speakers authorized to represent BPELSG. To request a speaker, we will need the following information: size of group, location, time, length and type of presentation, and proposed subject matter. Appropriate advance notice is always appreciated. Current and former BPELSG members may also appear on BPELSG's behalf, depending on availability.

For more information, contact BPELSG outreach coordinator Brooke Phayer at Brooke.Phayer@dca.ca.gov or (916) 204-8709.

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1. Visit BPELSG's website at www.bpelsg.ca.gov.
2. Click on "Subscribe to the Board's Email List" in the "Quick Hits" section.
3. Enter your email address and the specified text or audio link to validate submission of your data.
4. Click on "Submit," then you will receive a confirmation email.



The Census is Happening in 2020

The next Census is in Spring 2020. Let's ensure all Californians are counted so we can put those resources to good use here at home!



BUILD BETTER ROADS AND SCHOOLS



FUND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS, CHILDREN AND FAMILIES



CREATE JOBS



IMPROVE HOUSING

Starting in mid-March 2020, each household will get a letter in the mail. It will explain the different ways you can fill out the Census. If you don't receive a letter, you can still go online or call to fill it out. Be sure you include any person living in your household, family or not.

Key Dates

3/12–3/20

Invitations to the 2020 Census mailed

3/16–3/24

Reminder letters mailed

3/26–4/3

Reminder postcard mailed

April 1

CENSUS DAY!

4/8–4/16

Second reminder & hard copy Census mailed

4/20–4/27

Final postcards mailed before an in-person follow-up

Three Ways To Complete the Census

MAIL: Request a paper Census form in English or Spanish that can be mailed back to the U.S. Census Bureau.

PHONE: The Census can be completed by phone in 13 languages.

ONLINE: For the first time, the Census form will be available to complete online in 13 languages.

Your 2020 Census data is safe, protected and confidential. California is committed to ensuring a complete and accurate count of all Californians on April 1, 2020.



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Board Calendar

January

1/1: New Year's Day—Board Office Closed

1/16-17: Board Meeting, Sacramento

1/20: Martin Luther King Jr. Day—Board Office Closed

February

2/17: Presidents Day—Board Office Closed

March

3/10: CA CSE PG Exam

3/12-13: Board Meeting, Monterey

3/20: ASBOG® Exams

3/31: Cesar Chavez Day—Board Office Closed

Continuous testing exams:

CA Civil: Seismic Principles Exam and Engineering Surveying Exam; NCEES PS, Chemical, and FE/FS

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Social Media: BPELSG Facebook and Twitter Pages

BPELSG is posting to its social media outlets information of interest to postsecondary institutions, students, and professional groups on a regular basis. This information includes regulatory changes, updates to our website, interesting articles, useful resources, and a host of other BPELSG-related data.

For those institutions that communicate with students through email or some other means, we invite you to share this information with them. BPELSG is eager to use these social media outlets as an ongoing way to reach our stakeholders. Thank you for your assistance in spreading the word.

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