


Texas Board of Professional Geoscientists


Licensure as a Professional Geoscientist (P.G.) is required by the Texas Geoscience Practice Act to offer or to engage in the non-exempt public practice of geoscience in Texas. A firm or corporation offering or performing non-exempt public geoscience services is required to be registered as a geoscience firm.*

	Administrative review of submitted geoscience work:	✓ Report and figures must be signed and sealed per TBPG or TBPE sealing requirements, as applicable.	P.G. License REQUIRED: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional geoscience services provided for or submitted to government agencies • Consulting, investigation, evaluation, analysis, planning, mapping, inspecting geoscience work • P.G. or P.E. Seal must be on work that requires a license • Geoscience (or Engineering) Firm registration information required (including firm registration number) P.G. License NOT required: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal, Oil & Gas exploration and development, mining, teaching and research, archeology, court testimony, possibly on-site sewage disposal
		✓ P.G. or P.E. license must be current.	
		✓ Geoscience Firm or Engineering Firm registration must be current; identifying firm registration # must be provided.	
	Technical review of submitted geoscience work:	✓ Geoscience work submitted to a state agency by an unlicensed individual or unregistered firm may be in violation.	
		✓ Code of Professional Conduct applies.	
		✓ Geoscience services must be competent (technically sound and accurate) ✓ Geoscience services that are not technically sound and accurate may be possible violations. Be aware of possible issues related to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incompetence or lack of due diligence • Conflict of interest • Dishonesty 	

* A Texas Board of Professional Engineers (TBPE) licensed Professional Engineer (P.E.) may offer/perform public non-exempt geoscience services as long as the P.E. performs or takes responsible charge of the services and signs and seals the work. A TBPE-registered Engineering Firm may offer/perform public non-exempt geoscience services.

Texas Board of Professional Geoscientists

**TO VERIFY A LICENSE visit www.tbpg.state.tx.us
For assistance call (512) 936-4408**

	<p><u>TBPG Enforcement Staff</u></p> <p>T. Wesley McCoy, P.G., Enforcement Coordinator – (512) 936-4410 <i>E-mail: wmccoy@tbpg.state.tx.us or enforcement@tbpg.state.tx.us</i> Valerie Arnold, Enforcement Specialist – (512) 936-4402 <i>E-mail: varnold@tbpg.state.tx.us</i></p> <p><u>TBPG Board Members</u></p> <p>Charles S. Knobloch, P.G., J.D. – Chairman, Professional Member (Exp. 2-1-2015) C. Thomas Hallmark, P.G., PhD. – Vice Chairman, Professional Member (Exp. 2-1-2019) Kelly Krenz-Doe, P.G. – Secretary/Treasurer, Professional Member (Exp. 2-1-2015) Gregory C. Ulmer, J.D. – Public Member (Exp. 2-1-2017) Becky L. Johnson, P.G. – Professional Member (Exp. 2-1-2017) Joseph P. DeWoody – Public Member (Exp. 2-1-2019) Justin McNamee – Public Member (Exp. 2-1-2015) Christopher Mathewson, P.G., P.E., PhD. – Professional Member (Exp. 2-1-2017) W. David Prescott, II, P.G. – Professional Member (Exp. 2-1-2019)</p> <p>Charles Horton, Executive Director – (512) 936-4401 <i>E-mail: chorton@tbpg.state.tx.us</i></p>
---	--

Texas Administrative Code §851.10: Geoscience is the science of the earth and its origin and history, the investigation of the earth's environment and its constituent soils, rocks, minerals, fossil fuels, solids, and fluids, and the study of the natural and introduced agents, forces, and processes that cause changes in and on the earth as applied with professional judgment to develop ways to utilize, economically, those natural and introduced agents, forces, and processes for the benefit of the public.