



# **TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS**

## **Emergency Board Meeting**

*September 28, 2017, 10:00 a.m.*

William P. Hobby, Jr. Building  
333 Guadalupe Street, Tower I, Room 530  
Austin, Texas 78701

### **AGENDA**

*Emergency Statement: In accordance with Government Code section 551.045, the Board will hold an emergency meeting. Due to Hurricane Harvey in August 2017, the reasonably unforeseeable nature of the event, and the impact on the public health and safety of Texas residents, including licensees of the Board residing in affected counties, an urgent public necessity exists for the Board to take immediate action to ensure Board licensees are available to assist in recovery and rebuilding. Immediate action is required to ensure certain licenses do not expire and to ensure licensees are not unduly penalized during the early months of this disaster as a result of a licensee's inability to meet certain administrative requirements during such time. The meeting will take place, in whole or in part, via telephone conference. The meeting is open to the public at the location noted on this agenda. This location will provide two-way communication during the entire conference-call meeting, and will be open to the public, except in the event a portion of the meeting must be closed for a reason authorized by the Open Meetings Act, Government Code Ch. 551.*

*The Board may discuss and take action regarding any of the following agenda items.*

- A. Call to order, roll call, certification of quorum, order of business
- B. Public comment (limited to five minutes per person; more or less time may be allotted as needed, at the discretion of the Board Chair)
- C. Ratify statement justifying emergency meeting
- D. Adoption of emergency rules, including:
  - 1. Adoption of new 22 TAC §851.81, Certain Fees Temporarily Suspended
  - 2. Adoption of new 22 TAC §851.82, Certain Expiration Dates Extended
  - 3. Adoption of new 22 TAC §851.83, Certain Licensees Temporarily Exempt from Continuing Education Requirements
- E. Temporary administrative adjustments to policies and procedures related to licensing, renewal, and enforcement actions
- F. Proposed new rule for publication in Texas Register for public comment, 22 TAC §851.83, Certain Licensees Temporarily Exempt from Continuing Education Requirements
- G. Date and agenda items for next meeting
- H. Adjournment

The Board may meet in closed session on any agenda item listed above as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Gov. Code Chapter 551. If you require auxiliary aids, services or material in an alternate format contact the Texas Board of Professional Geoscientists, at least five (5) working days prior to the meeting date. Listed below are the helpful numbers should assistance be required. Phone: (512) 936-4400, Fax: (512) 936-4409, E-mail: [horton@tbpge.state.tx.us](mailto:horton@tbpge.state.tx.us) 1-800-relay-VV (for voice), 1-800-relay-TX (for TDD).