



BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS, AND GEOLOGISTS

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**OFFICIAL NOTICE AND AGENDA
MEETING OF THE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS,
LAND SURVEYORS, AND GEOLOGISTS**

Thursday, March 5, 2026, beginning at 9:00 a.m.,
and continuing Friday, March 6, 2026, if necessary.

The Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists (Board) will hold a public meeting in-person at the following location, with public participation available via a teleconference platform:

Department of Consumer Affairs
1747 North Market Blvd., Hearing Room #186
Sacramento, CA 95834

For questions or concerns, please contact the Board at the telephone number provided at the top of the page.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPATION VIA TELECONFERENCE PLATFORM:

For all those who wish to participate or observe the meeting via teleconference platform on Thursday, March 5, 2026, please log on to this website: <https://dca-meetings.webex.com/dca-meetings/i.php?MTID=m5897562a73056fd945c85dfcbef661>

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Please see the [instructions](#) for how to observe and participate in the meeting using the Webex platform.

Members of the public may, but are not obligated to, provide their names or personal information as a condition of observing or participating in the meeting. When signing into the Webex platform, participants may be asked for their name and email address. Participants who choose not to provide their names will be required to provide a unique identifier, such as their initials or another alternative, so that the meeting moderator can identify individuals who wish to make public comment. Participants who choose not to provide their email address may utilize a fictitious email address in the following sample format: XXXXX@mailinator.com.

Public comments will be limited to 5 minutes per person unless, in the discretion of the Board, circumstances require a shorter period. Members of the public will not be permitted to "yield" their allotted time to other members of the public to make comments.



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This meeting is being held in-person with teleconference public participation in accordance with Government Code section 11123.

Government Code section 11125.7 provides the opportunity for the public to address each agenda item during discussion or consideration by the Board prior to the Board taking any action on said item. Members of the public will be provided appropriate opportunities to comment on any issue before the Board, but the Board President may, at his or her discretion, apportion available time among those who wish to speak. Individuals may appear before the Board to discuss items not on the agenda; however, the Board can neither discuss nor take official action on these items at the time of the same meeting (Government Code sections 11125, 11125.7(a)).

The meeting location is accessible to the physically disabled. A person who needs disability-related accommodations or modifications in order to participate in the meeting may make a request by contacting Celina Calderone at (916) 999-3600 or celina.calderone@dca.ca.gov or by sending a written request to Ms. Calderone at the Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists, 2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Suite 300, Sacramento, California, 95833. Providing your request at least five (5) business days before the meeting will help to ensure availability of the requested accommodations.

For further information regarding this meeting, please contact Celina Calderone at (916) 999-3600. California Relay Service for Hearing Impaired: Dial 711.



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The Board of Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists (Board) will hold an in-person public meeting, in accordance with Government Code section 11123 with public participation available via a teleconference platform

Board Members: President Guillermo Martinez; Vice-President Frank Ruffino; Fel Amistad; Alireza Asgari; Rossana D'Antonio; Desirea Haggard; Tom Hallinan; Michael Hartley; Betsy Mathieson; Wilfredo Sanchez; Fermin Villegas; Cliff Waldeck; and Christina Wong

I. Roll Call to Establish a Quorum

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

NOTE: The Board cannot discuss or take action on any matter raised during this public comment section, except to decide whether to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting. (Government Code sections 11125, 11125.7(a).) The Board will also allow for public comment during the discussion of each item on the agenda and will allow time for public comment for items not on the agenda at the beginning of both days of the meeting. Please see the last page of this Official Notice and Agenda for additional information regarding public comment.

IV. Administration

A. Fiscal Year 2025/26 Budget Report

V. Enforcement

A. Enforcement Statistical Reports
1. Fiscal Year 2025/26 Update

VI. Exams/Licensing

A. Examination/Licensing Updates
B. 2025 Examination Results

VII. Legislation

A. 2026 Legislative Calendar

- B. Discussion of Legislation for 2026 (**Possible Action**)
 - 1. Assembly Bill (AB) 1693 – Accelerated retailer building plan approval
 - 2. AB 1775 – Veterans
 - 3. AB-1933 Land surveyors: records of survey
 - 4. AB-1999 Land Surveyors: photogrammetry
 - 5. Senate Bill (SB) 1011 – Energy: Utility Infrastructure AI Safety, Oversight, and Workforce Protection Act

VIII. Rulemaking Status Report

- A. Pending Rulemaking Efforts – Status Report
- B. Discussion to Consider Initiation of a Rulemaking to Amend California Code of Regulations, title 16, Division 5, §§ 400-476 and Division 29, §§ 3000-3067 to Use Gender-Neutral Language (**Possible Action**)

IX. Executive Officer's Report

- A. Personnel
- B. ABET
- C. Association of State Boards of Geology (ASBOG)
 - 1. April 9–11, 2026, Council of Examiners Workshop, Branson, MO – Delegate
 - a. Subject Matter Expert Funding Status for Out-of-State Travel
- D. National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES)
 - 1. April 30-May 2, 2026, Western Zone Interim Meeting, Bend, OR
 - a. Funded Delegate Status
 - b. Meeting News and Updates
 - c. Nomination of Associate Members - Brook Grabowski, Enforcement Manager and Dawn Hall, Administrative Unit Manager. (**Possible Action**)
 - d. Discussion on Recommendations to NCEES for Funding Committee Chairs to Attend NCEES Interim and Annual Meetings. (**Possible Action**)

X. President's Report/Board Member Activities

XI. Approval of Meeting Minutes (Possible Action**)**

- A. Approval of January 15, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes

XII. Closed Session – The Board will meet in Closed Session to discuss, as needed:

- A. Deliberate on a Decision(s) to be Reached in a Proceeding(s) Required to be Conducted Pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500), as Authorized by Government Code Section 11126(c)(3).
- B. Confer with, or Receive Advice from, Its Legal Counsel Regarding Pending Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(e)(1) and (2)(A), on the following matters:
 - 1. Crownholm et al. v. Moore, et al. No. 24-276, cert. pending (filed Sep. 9, 2024), Supreme Court of the United States, Crownholm, et al. v. Moore, et al. (No. 23-15138) (9th Cir. April 16, 2024)

2. Shahrokh Esmaily-Radvar vs. Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists, Los Angeles County Superior Court, Case No. 25STCP02175
3. James MacGregor Renfrew, Jr. vs. Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists, Los Angeles County Superior Court, Case No. 25STCP02233

XIII. Adjourn

PUBLIC COMMENT

Time is allotted during the meeting to provide members of the public with an opportunity to address the Board.



Public comments will be limited to 5 minutes per person unless, in the discretion of the Board, circumstances require a shorter period.



It is requested that the speakers stand or come forward as they are recognized to speak. It is also requested, but not required, that the speakers give their names and any organizations they represent.



The public may speak on items on the agenda during the Public Comment item or when the specific item comes up for discussion by the Board. If the Board does not notice a person's request to speak during discussion of an item, it is not a deliberate attempt to limit comment. It is sometimes difficult to notice a raised hand in a meeting room. If the Board does not notice you at first, please stand so that you may be recognized to speak.



The public may speak on items not on the agenda; however, the Board may not discuss or take action on such items at this meeting. Board members cannot engage in dialogue, other than to request clarification from the speaker, regarding items not on the agenda due to constraints imposed by law. The Board may direct staff to follow up on the item with the speaker or may direct that the item be placed on the agenda of a future meeting for discussion.



The Board asks that you not discuss a pending application or a disciplinary complaint matter because the Board members will be the "judges" who ultimately decide the matter, and, by law, they are not permitted to receive information that is not part of the official administrative record in the matter. Any issues relating to such matters should be addressed in writing to the Board's Executive Officer. If a person attempts to speak on such a matter, the person will be instructed to refrain from making further comments.



If a person becomes disruptive, the person will be requested to cease the disruptive behavior. If the person fails to do so, the Board is allowed by law to request that the person leave the meeting and may even have the person removed if he or she fails to leave.