

**BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL SOIL SCIENTISTS,  
WETLAND PROFESSIONALS and GEOLOGISTS MEETING  
(PSSWPG)**

**Monday, December 2, 2024 – 10:00 a.m.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor – Board Room 4**

**Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation  
9960 Mayland Drive  
Richmond, Virginia 23233**

**Mission:** Our mission is to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public by licensing qualified individuals and businesses enforcing standards of professional conduct for professions and occupations as designated by statute.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

- a. Emergency Evacuation Procedures
- b. Determination of Quorum

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. PSSWPG Board Meeting, September 4, 2024

**IV. WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS, AND RESOLUTIONS**

**V. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD \*FIVE MINUTE PUBLIC COMMENT, PER PERSON\***

**VI. EDUCATION**

- a. Examination Updates
  - i. Examination Statistics

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Executive Director's Update
- b. Regulatory Update
  - i. Final Fee Adjustment (Documentation to come)
  - ii. Public Comment
  - iii. General Regulatory Review Update
    - 1. Soil Scientists
    - 2. Wetland Professionals
    - 3. Geologists
- c. Financial Disclosure
- d. A Day in the Life of a Geologist

**VIII. OTHER BUSINESS**

- a. Board Member Training Conference Update
- b. Soil Scientists Update
- c. Wetland Professionals Update
- d. Geologists Update
  - i. ASBOG 2024 Fall Annual Meeting

- e. Licensed Population
- f. Financial Statements
- g. Board Member Training

#### **IX. COMPLETE CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORM AND TRAVEL VOUCHER.**

#### **X. ADJOURNMENT**

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2025**

- ❖ Agenda materials made available to the public do not include disciplinary case files or application files pursuant to §54.1-108 of the Code of Virginia.
- ❖ Five-minute public comment, per person, with the exception of any open disciplinary or application file.
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BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL SOIL SCIENTISTS, WETLAND PROFESSIONALS and  
GEOLOGISTS MEETING MINUTES

The Board for Professional Soil Scientists, Wetland Professionals and Geologists met on September 4, 2024, at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR), 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia.

Members present for all or part of the meeting:

**Citizens**

Cayman Lowe

**Geologists**

Ernest Beasley  
Michael Lawless

**Soil Scientists**

Larry Giannasi  
David Hall  
Alexis Jones

**Wetland Delineators**

Doug DeBerry  
Justin Brown

Members absent from the meeting with regrets:

**Geologists**

Shannon George  
Matt Heller

**Wetland Delineators**

Robin Bedenbaugh

**Citizens**

Bennette Burks  
Steven Yob

Staff present for all or part of the meeting were:

Brian P. Wolford, Director  
Jeb Wilkinson, Special Assistant to the Director  
Steve Kirschner, LRPD Deputy Director  
Kate Nosbisch, Executive Director  
Ecila Williams, Licensing Operations Administrator  
Karen Reid, Administrative Coordinator  
Greg Emerson, Executive Director- Examinations

Joshua Laws, Assistant Attorney General, was present from the office of the Attorney General.

Grace Flores-Hughes, BPOR Liaison, was not present at the meeting with regrets.

Members of the audience:

C. Robin Jones  
R. Drew Thomas

Ms. Jones, Acting Chair, having a quorum, called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

**Call to Order**

Ms. Nosbisch advised the Board of the emergency evacuation procedures.

**Emergency Evacuation**

Ms. Nosbisch announced Brian Wolford was recently named Agency Director. She introduced Jeb Wilkinson, Special Assistant to the Director, Cayman Lowe, new Citizen member, Ernest Beasley, new Geologist member, and Karen Reid, new Administrative Coordinator. Ms. Nosbisch also welcomed C. Robin Jones and R. Drew Thomas, former Board members. The Board members and staff introduced themselves.

**Welcome and Introductions**

Mr. Lawless moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Giannasi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by members: Beasley, Brown, DeBerry, Giannasi, Hall, Jones, Lawless, and Lowe.

**Approval of Agenda**

Mr. DeBerry moved to approve the minutes for the PSSWPG Board Meeting, June 11, 2024.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Hall seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by members: Beasley, Brown, DeBerry, Giannasi, Hall, Jones, Lawless, and Lowe.

There was no public comment.

**Public Comment Period**

Ms. Jones, Acting Chair read the following resolution for consideration by the Board:

**Resolution for R. Drew Thomas, Geologist**

**RESOLUTION TO  
R. Drew Thomas**

WHEREAS, **R. Drew Thomas**, did faithfully and diligently serve as a Board member of the Board for Professional Soil Scientists, Wetland Professionals, and Geologists from 2015 to 2024;

WHEREAS, **R. Drew Thomas**, did devote generously of his time, talent and leadership to the Board;

WHEREAS, **R. Drew Thomas**, did endeavor at all times to render decisions with fairness and good judgment in the best interest of the citizens of the Commonwealth and these professions; and

WHEREAS, the Board for Professional Soil Scientists, Wetland Professionals, and Geologists wishes to acknowledge its gratitude for devoted service of a person who is held in high esteem by the members of the Board and the citizens of the Commonwealth;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board for Professional Soil Scientists, Wetland Professionals, and Geologists this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024, that **R. Drew Thomas**, be given all honors and respect due him for his outstanding service to the Commonwealth and its citizens; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be presented to her and be made a part of the official minutes of the Board so that all may know of the high regard in which she is held by this Board.

The Board members agreed to the resolution by consensus.

Ms. Jones, Acting Chair read the following resolution for consideration by the Board:

**RESOLUTION TO  
CARLYLE “ROBIN” JONES**

**Resolution for C.  
Robin Jones,  
Citizen**

WHEREAS, **Carlyle “Robin” Jones**, did faithfully and diligently serve as a Board member of the Board for Professional Soil Scientists, Wetland Professionals, and Geologists from 2015 to 2024;

WHEREAS, **Carlyle “Robin” Jones**, did devote generously of her time, talent and leadership to the Board;

WHEREAS, **Carlyle Robin Jones**, did endeavor at all times to render decisions with fairness and good judgment in the best interest of the citizens of the Commonwealth and these professions; and

WHEREAS, the Board for Professional Soil Scientists, Wetland Professionals, and Geologists wishes to acknowledge its gratitude for devoted service of a person who is held in high esteem by the members of the Board and the citizens of the Commonwealth;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board for Professional Soil Scientists, Wetland Professionals, and Geologists this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024, that **Carlyle “Robin” Jones**, be given all honors and respect due her for her outstanding service to the Commonwealth and its citizens; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be presented to her and be made a part of the official minutes of the Board so that all may know of the high regard in which she is held by this Board.

The Board members agreed to the resolution by consensus.

Ms. Nosbisch stated the Examination Director Report was provided for informational purposes.

**Examination  
Director Report**

Ms. Nobsisch stated the Executive Director Report was provided for informational purposes.

**Executive Director Report**

Mr. Giannasi shared with the Board that the Soil Scientists applicants for this profession appear to be decreasing, and that he would like to see the numbers for a five-year trend on the next Board meeting agenda.

Ms. Nobsisch informed the Board that there has been no regulatory movement.

**Regulatory Update**

Ms. Nobsisch opened the floor for nominations for Board Chair. Mr. DeBerry nominated Mr. Brown as Board Chair. Mr. Giannasi seconded the motion. Mr. Brown accepted the nomination. Ms. Nobsisch asked if there were any additional nominations for Board Chair. There being none, Ms. Nobsisch closed the floor for nominations. The motion was unanimously approved by: Beasley, Brown, DeBerry, Giannasi, Hall, Jones, Lawless, and Lowe.

**Election of Officers**

Ms. Nobsisch opened the floor for nominations for Board Vice Chair. Mr. Lawless nominated Ms. Jones as Board Vice Chair. Mr. Giannasi seconded the motion. Ms. Jones accepted the nomination. Ms. Nobsisch asked if there were any additional nominations for Board Vice Chair. There being none, Ms. Nobsisch closed the floor for nominations. The motion was unanimously approved by: Beasley, Brown, DeBerry, Giannasi, Hall, Jones, Lawless, and Lowe.

Ms. Nobsisch provided an update on Epic X.

**Epic X Update**

Ms. Jones shared with the Board information regarding Continuing Education Unit (CEU) opportunity for Soil Scientists at Virginia Tech from October 23, 2024 to October 24, 2024.

**Soil Scientists Update**

Mr. DeBerry shared with the Board information regarding the number of applicants pursuing the Wetland Professionals and that there has been a recent uptick for the State Services Water Program with the Department of Environmental Quality.

**Wetland Professionals Update**

Mr. Emerson shared with the Board the current number of applicants for Wetland Professionals. Mr. DeBerry thanked Mr. Emerson and the Examinations Department.

Mr. Lawless shared with the Board that there was no new information to report.

**Geologists Update**

The licensee counts as of August 1, 2024: Soil Scientists – 79; Wetland Delineators – 131; Geologists – 912.

**Licensed and Certified Population**

Ms. Nosbisch informed the Board that the financial statements were included for informational purposes.

**Financial Statements**

Ms. Nosbisch informed the Board that she will be seeking approval for Shannon George to attend Association of State Boards of Geology (ASBOG) 2024 Fall Meeting.

**Other Business**

Ms. Nosbisch reminded the Board that the Board Member Training Conference is scheduled for October 10, 2024, to October 11, 2024, in Williamsburg, VA.

Director Wolford shared with the Board the importance of the Board Member Training Conference and encouraged the Board members to attend.

Mr. Giannasi shared a “A Day in the Life of a Soil Scientist” presentation to the Board.

**A Day in the Life of a Soil Scientist**

Conflict of Interest forms and travel vouchers were completed by all board members present.

**Conflict of Interest Forms/Travel Vouchers**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

**Adjourn**

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Alexis Jones, Acting Chair

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Brian P. Wolford, Secretary

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## SOIL SCIENTISTS STATISTICS 2024

SOILS FUNDAMENTALS	NUMBER TAKEN	NUMBER PASSED	PASS PERCENTAGE
November 2023	2	1	50.00%
November 2024	1	0	00.00%
SOILS PRACTICE	0	0	0

The November 2023 exams were the last of the continuous testing.

November 2024 was the first exam given to a VA candidate since moving back to window testing cycles, effective January 2024. The Soils Board according to Michele Lovejoy, Lead Exam Operations Representative decided to move back to window testing cycles. There are four window testing cycles. Window testing cycles refers to specific dates/times in which a person can sit for an exam.

November 19, 2024  
EXAMS -RSTARR



## WETLAND DELINEATOR EXAM

### STATISTICS

MONTH	NO. TAKEN	NO. PASSED	NO. FAILED	PASS PERCENT.
FEB. 2024	21	06	15	28.57%
AUG. 2024	22	15	07	68.18%

#### FEBRUARY 2024

02 = 1<sup>ST</sup> TIME PASSED      13 = 1<sup>ST</sup> TIME FAILED

04 = REPEATS PASSED      02 = REPEATS FAILED

#### AUGUST 2024

05 = 1<sup>ST</sup> TIME PASSED      4 = 1<sup>ST</sup> TIME FAILED

10 = REPEATS PASSED      3 = REPEATS FAILED

August 26, 2024/November 19, 2024

EXAMS - RSTARR

# VA GEOLOGY STATISTICS

MARCH 2023

October 2023

MONTH	NO. TAKEN	NO. PASSED	PASS PERCENT
MARCH 2023			
FUNDAMENTAL OF GEOLOGY FG	15	10	66.66%
PRACTICE OF GEOLOGY PG	11	10	90.90%
OCTOBER 2023			
FUNDAMENTAL OF GEOLOGY FG	23	14	60.86%
PRACTICE OF GEOLOGY PG	11	09	81.81%

1<sup>ST</sup> exam administered by ASBOG – vendor Prometric

January 18, 2024  
EXAMS - RSTARR

## VA GEOLOGY STATISTICS

MARCH 2024

October 2024

MONTH	NO. TAKEN	NO. PASSED	PASS PERCENT
MARCH 2024			
FUNDAMENTAL OF GEOLOGY FG	19	11	57.89%
PRACTICE OF GEOLOGY PG	13	08	61.53%
OCTOBER 2024			
FUNDAMENTAL OF GEOLOGY FG	27	17	62.96%
PRACTICE OF GEOLOGY PG	13	09	69.23%

November 19, 2024  
EXAMS - RSTARR



**To:** PSSWPG Board

**From:** Kate Nosbisch, Executive Director

**Subject:** Executive Director Update

**Date:** December 2, 2024

For this update, data for the last five years of the Board’s activities has been provided.

**Application Statistics**

The table below provides the number of applications approved for the PSSWPG Board per calendar year (January 1 – December 31) since 2019.

Applications Approved						
Year	2024*	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
App Numbers	156	127	111	100	90	119

\*As of 11/22/2024

Applications Approved by Profession 2024			
Profession	Soil Scientists	Wetland Professionals	Geologists
App Numbers	6	36	114

ULR Applications Approved by Profession			
Profession	Soil Scientists	Wetland Professionals	Geologists
App Numbers	2	5	17

\*As of 11/22/2024

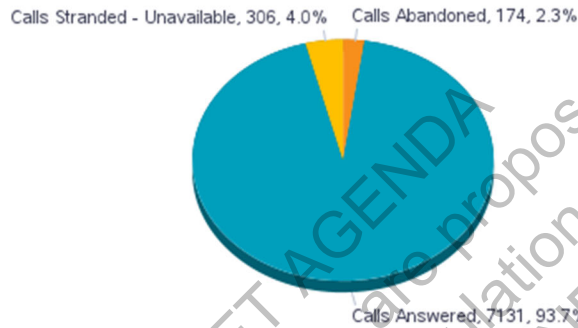
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## Call Center Statistics

**\*\* The Call Center Statistics consists of APELSCIDLA, PSSWPG, Auctioneers, and Branch Pilots**

The Board’s call center has received a total of 7,131 phone calls between January 1, 2024, to October 31, 2024.

Call Center Activity



## Email Statistics

The table below outlines the number of emails received through the Board’s email address per calendar year (Jan 1-Dec 31)

	Email Count					
Year	2024*	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
# of Emails**	757	918	644	482	319	418

\*As of 11/01/2024

\*\*Includes Geology and BPSSWP Emails

## Board Case Statistics

Since 2018, The Board has adjudicated 2 cases.

No new cases to date

## Stakeholder Engagement & Outreach

ASBOG Fall Annual Meeting October 22-October 25, 2024 in Cheyenne, WY attended by Shannon George, Geologist

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1 **Project 7619 - Proposed**

2 **Board For Professional Soil Scientists, Wetland Professionals, And Geologists**

3 **General Review of Professional Soil Scientists Regulations**

4 **18VAC145-20-60. General application requirements.**

5 A. Applicants for licensure shall meet the requirements established in Chapter 22 (§ 54.1-  
6 2200 et seq.) of Title 54.1 of the Code of Virginia.

7 B. ~~All applications and accompanying materials become the property of the board upon~~  
8 ~~receipt by the board~~ The applicant must provide a current mailing address.

9 C. The board may make further inquiries and investigations with respect to applicants'  
10 qualifications and documentation to confirm or amplify information supplied.

11 D. Applicants who do not meet the requirements of this chapter may be approved following  
12 consideration by the board in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Administrative  
13 Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq. of the Code of Virginia).

14 **18VAC145-20-91. Core course requirements.**

15 A. ~~At least 15 semester hours selected from the identified courses in this subsection or the~~  
16 ~~equivalent are required for course work or a degree core to be considered a degree in a soil~~  
17 ~~science curriculum or a related natural science degree.~~

Intro to Crop and Soil Environmental Sciences	Soil - Plant - Animal Interrelationships in Grasslands
Soil Evaluation	Aluminum Chemistry in the Soil System
Soils	Soil Physics or Physical Properties
Soils Lab	Soil Genesis/Classification
Man and Environment	Soil Fertility/Management
Soil Survey/Taxonomy	Soil Fertility/Management Lab

Soil Microbiology	Soil/Groundwater Pollution
Soil Resource Management	Soils for Waste Disposal
Soil Chemistry	Soil Microbiology Lab
Topics in Soil Genesis	Forest Soils/Hydrology
Soil Seminar	Clay Mineralogy
Special Studies (Soils Based)	Soil Interpretations
Field Studies (Soils Based)	Advanced Concepts in Soil Genesis
Soils and Land Use	Independent Studies (Soil Based)
Soil Physical and Colloidal Chemistry	Soil Biochemistry
	Soil Geomorphology
Soil - Plant Relations	Soil Conservation

18 ~~B. Applicants may petition the board to review the syllabus and other supporting documents~~  
19 ~~of a course not listed in subsection A of this section for academic credit. The course must~~  
20 ~~contain content that enhances applicants' knowledge in the study of soils. Applicants must~~  
21 ~~demonstrate course equivalency in order to receive academic credit. Petitions to the board for~~  
22 ~~such review must be made in writing.~~

23 **18VAC145-20-100. Examination.**

24 A. Applicants shall be required to pass all parts of the CSSE-prepared exam.

25 ~~B. Applicants shall meet all other requirements established in Chapter 22 (§ 54.1-2200 et~~  
26 ~~seq.) of Title 54.1 of the Code of Virginia in order to be granted board approval to sit for the~~  
27 ~~exam.~~

28 ~~C. B.~~ Completed applications must be received by the board no less than 60 days prior to  
29 the exam date or applicants may be deferred to the next exam administration.

30 ~~D. C.~~ Applicants approved by the board shall be exam-eligible for a period of three years  
31 from the date of their initial board approval. Applicants who do not pass the exam at the end of  
32 the three-year period are no longer exam-eligible and must reapply as a new applicant.



33 ~~E. To become exam-eligible again, applicants shall reapply to the board and meet all entry~~  
34 ~~requirements current at the time of their reapplication. Upon approval by the board, applicants~~  
35 ~~shall become exam-eligible for another period of three years.~~

36 F. D. Board-approved applicants eligible for admission to both parts of the exam must first  
37 pass the Fundamentals in Soil Science exam before being admitted to the Professional  
38 Practices in Soil Science exam.

39 ~~G.~~ E. Applicants will be notified by the board of whether they passed or failed the exam. The  
40 exam may not be reviewed by applicants. Exam scores are final and not subject to change.

41 **18VAC145-20-120. Expiration.**

42 Licenses issued under this chapter shall expire two years from the last day of the month in  
43 which they were issued, ~~as indicated on the license.~~

44 **18VAC145-20-130. Procedures for renewal.**

45 A. The board ~~sends~~ will send a renewal notice to the license holder at the last known  
46 ~~address of record~~ at least 30 days prior to expiration of the license. Failure to receive this notice  
47 does not relieve the license holder from the requirement to renew the license. License holders  
48 shall keep the board informed of their current mailing address. Changes of address shall be  
49 reported to the board in writing within 30 calendar days of the change.

50 B. In addition to the established fee, proof of satisfactory completion of continuing education  
51 (CE) shall be required to renew a license. Documentation submitted as proof of completion of  
52 CE must demonstrate that the CE meets the requirements established in 18VAC145-20-145.

53 C. If the renewal fee and proof of completion of CE are not received by the board within 30  
54 days following the license expiration date, a late renewal fee of \$25 shall be required in addition  
55 to the regular renewal fee. Upon receipt of the requisite fee and proof of completion of CE, the  
56 license shall be renewed for an additional two years. A license that is not renewed within six

57 months after its expiration is no longer eligible for renewal. The license may be reinstated  
58 pursuant to the requirements of 18VAC145-20-140.

59 D. The date the fee and documented proof of completion of CE are received by the board or  
60 its agent shall determine whether a late renewal fee, the reinstatement fee, or reapplication is  
61 required.

62 ~~E. A licensee applying for renewal or reinstatement shall not receive credit for completing a~~  
63 ~~CE activity with the same content more than once during the time period prior to the renewal or~~  
64 ~~reinstatement.~~

65 ~~E. E.~~ A license suspended by board order may not be renewed until the period of  
66 suspension has ended and all terms and conditions of the board's order have been met.  
67 Individuals renewing licenses within 30 days after the suspension is lifted will not be required to  
68 pay a late fee.

69 ~~F. G.~~ A revoked license may not be renewed. An individual whose license has been revoked  
70 shall file a new application and obtain board approval to recover licensure. Examination may not  
71 be waived.

72 **18VAC145-20-140. Reinstatement.**

73 A. If the renewal fee, late renewal fee, and documented proof of completion of CE are not  
74 received by the board within six months following the license expiration date, the license holder  
75 shall be required to pay the fee for reinstatement. The fee for reinstatement shall include the  
76 regular renewal fee plus the reinstatement fee.

77 B. If the reinstatement fee and documented proof of completion of CE are not received by  
78 the board within ~~one year~~ two years following the license expiration date, the individual shall no  
79 longer be ~~considered a license holder~~ eligible for reinstatement. To become licensed again, the

80 individual shall apply as a new applicant and meet all current education, experience, and  
81 examination requirements as established in this chapter.

82 **18VAC145-20-145. Continuing education requirements.**

83 A. Licensees shall complete eight contact hours of continuing education (CE) per year for  
84 renewal or reinstatement. CE shall be completed pursuant to the provisions of this section.

85 B. CE must be completed during the time prior to the renewal or reinstatement of a license  
86 and shall be valid for that renewal or reinstatement only.

87 C. CE activities completed by licensees may be accepted by the board provided the activity:

88 1. Consists of content and subject matter directly related to the practice of soil science;

89 2. Has a clear purpose and objective that will maintain, improve, or expand the skills and  
90 knowledge relevant to the practice of soil science and may be in areas related to  
91 business practices, including project management, risk management, and ethics, that  
92 have demonstrated relevance to the practice of soil science as defined in § 54.1-2200 of  
93 the Code of Virginia;

94 ~~3. Is taught by instructors who are competent in the subject matter, either by education  
95 or experience, for those activities involving an interaction with an instructor;~~

96 ~~4. 3. Contains an assessment by the sponsor at the conclusion of the self-directed  
97 activity that verifies that the licensee has successfully achieved the purpose and  
98 objective for any self-directed activity; and~~

99 ~~5. 4. Results in documentation that verifies the licensee's successful completion of the  
100 activity.~~

101 **D. Computation of credit.**

102 1. Fifty contact minutes shall equal one hour of CE. For activities that consist of  
103 segments that are less than 50 minutes, those segments shall be totaled for computation  
104 of CE for that activity.

105 ~~2. The number of hours required to successfully complete any CE activity must have~~  
106 ~~been predetermined by the sponsor. A licensee shall not claim more credit for any CE~~  
107 ~~activity than was predetermined by the sponsor at the time the activity was completed.~~

108 ~~3.~~ 2. A licensee may not receive credit for any CE activity that was not completed in its  
109 entirety. No credit shall be given for partial completion of a CE activity.

110 ~~4.~~ 3. A licensee applying for renewal or reinstatement shall not receive credit for  
111 completing a CE activity with the same content more than once during the time period  
112 prior to the renewal or reinstatement.

113 **18VAC145-20-160. Professional conduct.**

114 A licensed professional soil scientist:

115 1. Shall not submit any false statements, make any misrepresentations, or fail to  
116 disclose any facts requested concerning any application for initial licensure, renewal, or  
117 reinstatement;

118 2. Shall not engage in any fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation in advertising, in soliciting,  
119 or in providing professional services;

120 3. Shall not knowingly sign, stamp, or seal any plans, drawings, blueprints, surveys,  
121 reports, specifications, maps, or other documents not prepared or reviewed and  
122 approved by ~~him~~ the licensed professional;

- 123 4. Shall not knowingly represent a client or employer on a project on which he the  
124 licensed professional represents or has represented another client or employer without  
125 making full disclosure thereof;
- 126 5. Shall express a professional opinion only when it is founded on adequate knowledge  
127 of established facts at issue and based on a background of technical competence in the  
128 subject matter;
- 129 6. Shall not knowingly misrepresent factual information in expressing a professional  
130 opinion;
- 131 7. Shall immediately notify the client or employer and the appropriate regulatory agency  
132 if ~~his professional~~ the judgment of the licensed professional is overruled and not adhered  
133 to when advising appropriate parties of any circumstances of a substantial threat to the  
134 public health, safety, or welfare; and
- 135 8. Shall exercise reasonable care when rendering professional services and shall apply  
136 the technical knowledge, skill, and terminology ordinarily applied by practicing soil  
137 scientists.

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**TOTAL CURRENT POPULATION AS OF NOVEMBER 1, 2024**

\*Regulant population numbers are effective for the dates shown only

Profession	1/1/2024	2/1/2024	3/1/2024	4/1/2024	5/1/2024	6/1/2024	7/1/2024	8/1/2024	9/9/2024	10/1/2024	11/1/2024
Certified Professional Geologists (cpg)	860	869	876	886	900	906	909	912	914	916	920
Professional Soil Scientists	79	81	78	77	78	79	78	79	81	80	80
Professional Wetland Delineators	122	123	129	129	130	130	130	131	147	145	145

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**Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation  
Statement of Financial Activity**

**Board for Professional Soil Scientists, Wetland Professionals, and Geologists  
954180**

2022-2024 Biennium

June 2024

	June 2024 Activity	Biennium-to-Date Comparison	
		July 2020 - June 2022	July 2022 - June 2024
<b>Cash/Revenue Balance Brought Forward</b>			16,455
<b>Revenues</b>	0	90,365	95,325
<b>Cumulative Revenues</b>			111,780
<b>Cost Categories:</b>			
<b>Board Expenditures</b>	0	24,039	40,669
<b>Board Administration</b>	0	33,801	34,564
<b>Administration of Exams</b>	0	5,806	3,261
<b>Enforcement</b>	0	20	13
<b>Legal Services</b>	0	72	76
<b>Information Systems</b>	0	24,905	22,870
<b>Facilities and Support Services</b>	0	10,033	8,112
<b>Agency Administration</b>	0	15,947	23,398
<b>Other / Transfers</b>	0	0	(15)
<b>Total Expenses</b>	0	114,623	132,948
<b>Transfer To/(From) Cash Reserves</b>	0	0	(26,591)
<b>Ending Cash/Revenue Balance</b>			5,423

<b>Cash Reserve Beginning Balance</b>	18,064	0	44,655
<b>Change in Cash Reserve</b>	0	0	(26,591)
<b>Cash Reserve Ending Balance</b>	18,064	0	18,064

**Number of Regulants**

Current Month	0
Previous Biennium-to-Date	1,170

**Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation**  
**Supporting Statement of Year-to-Date Activity**  
**Board for Professional Soil Scientists, Wetland Professionals and Geologists - 954180**  
**Fiscal Year 2024**

	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Fiscal YTD Charges	Planned Annual Charges	Current Balance	Projected Charges at 6/30	Projected Variance Favorable (Unfavorable) Amount	%
<b>Board Expenditures</b>	7,071	4,682	868	1,927	1,877	2,105	976	715	1,683	117	4,807	0	26,827	27,133	306	29,106	-1,973	-7.3%
<b>Board Administration</b>	1,556	1,514	2,016	715	1,525	2,081	834	1,501	2,227	927	2,523	0	17,419	24,763	7,344	17,917	6,846	27.6%
<b>Administration of Exams</b>	223	262	372	124	250	374	126	254	379	126	380	0	2,870	3,424	554	2,976	448	13.1%
<b>Enforcement</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Legal Services</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2	2	0	0	0	8	8	0	9	-1	-9.1%
<b>Information Systems</b>	675	1,590	1,148	806	916	1,037	189	2,114	2,065	816	1,244	0	12,602	13,916	1,314	13,537	379	2.7%
<b>Facilities / Support Svcs</b>	438	739	584	286	301	387	303	337	424	338	436	0	4,573	8,145	3,572	4,892	3,253	39.9%
<b>Agency Administration</b>	1,059	1,149	1,637	553	1,143	1,485	412	909	1,409	523	1,519	0	11,799	15,243	3,444	12,216	3,028	19.9%
<b>Other / Transfers</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Charges</b>	<b>11,023</b>	<b>9,937</b>	<b>6,624</b>	<b>4,411</b>	<b>6,013</b>	<b>7,468</b>	<b>2,846</b>	<b>5,832</b>	<b>8,189</b>	<b>2,847</b>	<b>10,908</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>76,098</b>	<b>92,632</b>	<b>16,534</b>	<b>80,652</b>	<b>11,980</b>	<b>12.9%</b>

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