

Washington State Geologist Licensing Board Meeting Transcript – June 1, 2022

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

OK.

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Struthers, James

Alright, so it's 904 and I'd like to call the order this meeting of the geology board.

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Carla Brock

I can't tell you the answer today, but just go ahead and submit your materials and board staff can answer it so.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

OK.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

That's always a good answer. Sometimes that's our answer too. So OK.

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Carla Brock

Yeah, yeah.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Just I'm just trying to prepare for in the future. Would it be? Would it benefit to have a staff member also join to man that Booth?

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

I know currently we didn't have the ability, but if next year the the opportunity presents itself, would it be beneficial?

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Carla Brock

Yeah, I think you know in cases where I felt like I couldn't give somebody a definitive answer, it was because like they were kind of just generally describing their situation to me, like they didn't have their transcripts, they didn't have their verification experience or something. So I think that would be the same for staff like you would say, well, you know, based on what you're telling me, I think it's probably the answer is probably this. But, you know, we won't know until we look at all your materials.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Great. Thanks, Carla. That's good feedback to hear.

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Carla Brock

So.

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Carla Brock

Yeah, yeah.

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Struthers, James

Yes, I mean, given that you guys, I mean.

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Struthers, James

What? You had a pretty positive experience there. I mean, are there any other?

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Struthers, James

Kind of regional conferences like that that we should be looking at going to.

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Struthers, James

For people aware of anything that's coming up on the calendar in the next like year.

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Carla Brock

Yeah, that's a good question. This one is nice because it's Washington focused.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

I yeah.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah. Yeah. Well, northwest mostly. But but, but. But our laws, right? Yeah. And and our business but.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

My answer is I don't have the answer for you today, but I can tell you later.

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Struthers, James

Yeah. I mean, I think it's just for everybody a matter of checking the calendars, but if that's.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

There's there's some professional organizations that.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

You know, might specialize. You know, maybe towards like mining or environmental cleanup or something like that, that, that we might reach out to.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Some of the the larger, like national organizations you know, they they float their annual meetings around the country. So if one happens to pass through, we should be on it, you know.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Was it like American Geophysical Union as an example or a EG

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

asbag? Of course you know. Yeah, definitely.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

But it.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

You might be a little tighter to try and define some of the Washington based ones.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

But.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

So we could didn't get your list. I'm sure Carla has some, you know, ideas too as well that she's maybe been to or participated in.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

You know.

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Struthers, James

Yeah. What would be the probably the best way to collect those? I mean, is that something we should just individually submit to staff because I I'm sure we'll all see opportunities on our own.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yes, I I actually.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Umm.

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Struthers, James

That that kind of be a good way to do that.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah, thanks. I actually sent Sherry a list of organizations, many of which might be appropriate.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

For your question my my list was an attempt to reach out to try to find public members and maybe a replacement members as our board members term out.

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Struthers, James

Yeah.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Umm. So yeah, maybe there you go. Talk to Sherry. She's got the answer.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Or some place to start.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Yeah, just send send them to, email them to me and he if you have any suggestions.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

I yeah. Email him. Email him my way.

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Struthers, James

OK. Is there anybody got anything else on on this subject?

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Struthers, James

No.

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Struthers, James

Sherry, could you could you go and review the?

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Yes.

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Struthers, James

Master action items list kind of see where we're at with this stuff.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Yes.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Sure. OK. So.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

For.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

The first one we have is the exam committees to meet to go over exam results in question banks.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

The confirm their travel campuses, we've put that on hold.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

We have on hold and we'll talk more. Some of this stuff will be discussed further down in the in the meeting, so.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Well, so for right now, we are working on an org chart, so that is in progress, but we haven't totally defined everything yet on that.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

We did. We have a new budget person, so they will be coming to our meeting.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Uh, probably. Next, the next one will ping her to come out.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Uh.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

And then the next one.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Then update the website. I did that. All the new officers are on there.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

For the rehydrate Geology symposium that's completed.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

The draft version.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

I emailed that out to everybody and I got back.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

The edits.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Uh.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

That the list serve.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

We've already sent that out.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

And then Tom's name for the Asbag nomination that was completed. And then this will talk about.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Down in the meeting as well, so the applicant verifier for out of state.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

That's it.

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Struthers, James

Yeah. So on the on the 1st action item or first item there, so do you have a?

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Yeah.

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Struthers, James

It's kind of a date on when you would have materials out to the exam committees or some idea of a time frame on that.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

And we I don't know, Jim, maybe Deb knows we're in the process of getting.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

New staff to help us get all this stuff.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Together, so hopefully in the next.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Crash in the next few months, we should have something I would hope so.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Well.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Uh, that's where we're at with that.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

It is in progress we haven't forgot about it, but we just don't have the capacity right now. So our apologies. So we are working on it. We haven't been forgotten about so.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yeah. And Jim, just just to clarify what Sherry saying, a lot of times with these action items, you know we keep them on the the list so that we can continue to work on them.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Unfortunately, the Ark capacity in this last two years has been really limited. As you know, I think that's been the the theme of all of our board and Commission meetings is we show up and say.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

We don't have, we don't have the resources to do this.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Umm for our regulatory boards, four boards were supported by 23 staff members prior to the beginning of the pandemic.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

We reduced to the point of three of us plus Rick, so you know it it gives you a perspective of what we've been struggling with. I'm going to take the opportunity to say that one of our new Members that will be joining us has actually called in before she started working. Sandra Bower is on the call. I can see your smiling face. She doesn't know what she's in for.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

So we are really excited because we've got new staff that will be joining us. We'll be fully staffed by June 16th and then we're going to be able to actually dive into a lot of this.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Umm, you know, unfortunately the geologist board isn't.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Unique in the fact that we have these action lists that are longer than what we can accomplish, and that's for all nine of our boards and commissions, so.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

But we are gonna be I I anticipate by this time next year that list is gonna be really short and none of it's gonna say on hold. It's all gonna say completed so.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Umm.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

That's a goal going forward.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Umm.

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Carla Brock

Is there? Is there anything we can do to help with this specific action item? I mean this is something that will be ongoing right twice a year, will go over the question banks after the specialty exams are given and it's been in progress for a long time.

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Carla Brock

It's a pretty important item so that we can keep our exams relevant and up-to-date. And I I totally hear your your resource capacity limitations, but I'm wondering if there's anything that the board can do to help with that.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

I I think there is, Carla. I think that maybe if we can form a subcommittee that would like to work on this and to dive into that, that would be really helpful with these question banks. This isn't something that the department has the expertise on. We really do need board member support on this.

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Carla Brock

Yeah.

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Carla Brock

Yeah.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

So if if we have, you know if if you have the energy and the resources, we can put them together and then start reviewing those.

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Carla Brock

Yeah. And I think, I mean, I think that the subcommittees are those of us who are licensed in the specialty areas. So I think the.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yes.

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Carla Brock

The exam committee to go over the hydro test is Mia Tom because we are the licensed hydros and same with the engineering exam. Just.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Umm.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Mm-hmm.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Umm.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

And and and I believe Carlos is gonna take some coordination on. Is it the EGD exam with Oregon that we share. So we will wanna make sure that we are incorporating that board as well.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Because they need to match so.

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Carla Brock

Yeah, yeah, yeah. I mean.

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Carla Brock

Uh.

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Carla Brock

From my perspective, you know the work on your end is putting together the the the feedback on the questions so that we can then go over them.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Exactly.

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Carla Brock

And yeah, I think you're right. If there's feedback on the engineering geology exam, you know we could just.

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Carla Brock

Uh, you know, connect with the organ board or we just propose, you know, actions related to the comments which in a lot of cases I think they will be no action. It will just be like a candidates misunderstanding of the question or misread of the question. So maybe nothing is required.

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Carla Brock

So but yeah.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

So let's actually I think with that point, let's put a due date on there, Carlos. So that we have some time.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

That we're holding ourselves accountable to that. So by the next meeting, let's get together and try and make some headway on that. We'll get some time scheduled and pull all of that data together cause it's it's.

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Carla Brock

Mm-hmm.

00:22:39.270 --> 00:22:39.600

Carla Brock

Mm-hmm.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

It's on our in our D drive we can pull that information out, compile it into a nice spreadsheet, and then start to analyze that cause. I think you're right. That is something that we need to move forward on. So, Sherry, can you change the due date from June 2022?

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Carla Brock

Yeah.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

To our next meeting and then we'll for action items for us. Let's get some subcommittee meeting scheduled.

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Carla Brock

And I think that would be great because as long as we do it before the next exam administration, that's.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Mm-hmm.

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Carla Brock

Four months, right. So that's.

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Carla Brock

I say that's plenty of time. We know how time flies, but.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

I was like, so that was gonna say that sounds easier said than done, Carla. But I think that it's important and we need to, we need to move it forward. So yeah, Eileen.

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Carla Brock

Yeah, I know.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

OK.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

I'd like to add to that too when you're done.

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Carla Brock

Yeah.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Go ahead. I'm done.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Oh yeah, and and I said this before and you know, I tried to introduce this in the the draft Charter is the concept of getting volunteers and, you know, we talk about committees and subcommittees and and we all we we don't mention the fact that there are plenty of licensees out there that would be more than happy to us. So you know having.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Standing committees having having ad hoc committees is important, and defining those in Charter is great. But.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Just the concept is there, but we can make our own ad hoc committees anytime, have it Advisory Committee for XYZ including exam.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Issues and you know, rulemaking and whatever. So I I would.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Please ask the board members. We need something to do. I mean you guys do a lot. Give us something to do and we'll do it. I will anyway.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Mm-hmm.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

So yeah.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

We we can, we can use volunteers that are not on the board.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

I mean, there's no statute against it or lack that I know of. We should reach out.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

It also helps us when we're soliciting for board member replacements is, you know, having more involvement in the licensee Community Community.

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Struthers, James

And I think that that's really important, Eileen. I mean to make sure that we're engaging the professionals that are appears out there in this stuff as well. I know that I've gotten interest in, in the status of the exam from other engineering geologists out there in the Community as well. So people are eager to work on it.

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Struthers, James

You know? And then I understand that staff has limited bandwidth, but So what, I'm what I'm hearing right now, Carla is basically.

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Struthers, James

When they once they compile the hydrogeologist to get that over to you and and to Tom.

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Struthers, James

And Kate Casey had, do you have bandwidth or work on something like this?

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HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Yeah, I my understanding is that you and I were this already the Subcommittee for the Engineering Geology Exam.

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Struthers, James

Right. So just one, once you've compiled that information, get it over to for the engineering geology portion and get it over to me and can't see and we'll start from there.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Many times on that, Tom, it's Tom.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Jim and Casey are for the engineering, yeah.

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Struthers, James

Yeah, he's he would be the other. The other register.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Yeah.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

OK, I put capture that and I'll update that.

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Struthers, James

OK.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

You know, and honestly, reaching out to former board members, you know, just because you've served your floor eight years or whatever, you still have a lot of knowledge that you can give back that.

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Struthers, James

OK. Thank you.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Maybe not necessarily. You know you can't be on the board. So that's a good place to also reach out.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Umm.

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Struthers, James

Yeah. Plus there's a there are a lot of members that were or a lot of registrants that were involved in the initial test training for these that are still still in the still are still in circulation. They didn't all go away.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

They're still alive.

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Struthers, James

We have to still live. You can tell by our stance so.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yeah.

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Struthers, James

OK. Anybody have any additional comment on staff assignments or anything else to add for the good of the order?

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

OK.

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HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

I guess the only other thing I would add on the engineering geology exam is just making sure we understand what the requirements are for working with the Oregon Board and making sure we are.

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HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Uh. Staying. Staying within what we need to be doing there and not.

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HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Jeopardizing that relationship.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Umm.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Mm-hmm.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Umm. OK, so that's a good good comment and I know that Tom would let you know he has already reached out to the Oregon board, one of the board members had contacted us asking for a contact on the EG exam. And so Tom has been, I believe that they have made contact. I know information was exchanged, so.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Hopefully when we get back together, we'll have more information and we'll get some subcommittee meetings scheduled.

00:27:39.860 --> 00:27:40.250

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Thank you.

00:27:41.430 --> 00:27:49.670

Struthers, James

Yeah. I mean, if we could start the process of scheduling those subcommittee meetings prior to the to the next board meeting, that will be probably preferable.

00:27:50.390 --> 00:27:50.710

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Mm-hmm.

00:27:56.610 --> 00:27:59.860

Struthers, James

OK. So we'll be on to new business.

00:28:00.600 --> 00:28:01.390

Struthers, James

Uh.

00:28:03.100 --> 00:28:05.480

Struthers, James

We've got on here the Asbag annual meeting.

00:28:07.060 --> 00:28:09.360

Struthers, James

Is that still an open item?

00:28:10.370 --> 00:28:10.820

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Mm-hmm.

00:28:11.520 --> 00:28:11.820

Struthers, James

OK.

00:28:12.520 --> 00:28:14.230

Struthers, James

So we're looking for attendees for that.

00:28:15.260 --> 00:28:16.220

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Umm, I think.

00:28:18.320 --> 00:28:18.830

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

1.

00:28:21.030 --> 00:28:22.240

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

We're looking for one.

00:28:23.910 --> 00:28:27.120

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Remind me, where is it that? Where is it gonna be this this fall?

00:28:24.090 --> 00:28:24.940

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

One board member.

00:28:28.010 --> 00:28:33.710

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Uh, this fall it is in Wilmington, NC, Wilmington.

00:28:30.490 --> 00:28:31.920

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

North Carolina or something?

00:28:36.010 --> 00:28:40.100

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

You know, I'm always good for it. Put me on it. I haven't been for a while.

00:28:41.540 --> 00:28:46.600

Carla Brock

Yeah, and I'm interested, too. If Eileen can't go, it's certainly her turn. But because I went last year but.

00:28:47.740 --> 00:28:49.350

Carla Brock

If anything happens, I'm also.

00:28:50.290 --> 00:28:51.410

Carla Brock

Interested in attending?

00:28:53.380 --> 00:28:55.190

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Charlie and I get it. It's a lot of fun.

00:28:56.240 --> 00:28:56.720

Carla Brock

Yeah.

00:28:58.980 --> 00:28:59.900

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Awesome. Great.

00:29:00.990 --> 00:29:01.250

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

No.

00:29:04.920 --> 00:29:07.660

Carla Brock

Do we know that we have the state has budget to send somebody?

00:29:08.800 --> 00:29:09.210

Carla Brock

This time.

00:29:10.530 --> 00:29:12.860

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

I think we have budget, I think we.

00:29:13.670 --> 00:29:29.200

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

From what Rick indicated, we definitely had enough for one possibly 2. So I mean it sounds like you got your name in there first and then Carla, if we still have funding, we'll we'll put you in as a second. And so it would be nice if we could send both of you but but.

00:29:25.460 --> 00:29:26.240

Carla Brock

Oh, that'd be great.

00:29:29.970 --> 00:29:33.400

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

We'll figure that out first, but he did say we had enough funding for one.

00:29:33.910 --> 00:29:38.150

Carla Brock

Good. Yeah. Well, it's good to have. It's good to have one there. So it'd be great.

00:29:34.860 --> 00:29:35.090

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

And.

00:29:37.520 --> 00:29:38.310

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

At least one.

00:29:37.940 --> 00:29:47.770

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah. If we can pull it off, let's if we can, I'd really would like to have two people there. It's it's good for for the networking that we can do and you know.

00:29:38.940 --> 00:29:39.520

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

We would like.

00:29:44.480 --> 00:29:44.770

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yep.

00:29:48.950 --> 00:29:56.900

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Talking to what other states are up to and they're challenges and what we can learn and and that sort of thing, it's it's good to capture the whole floor, I guess.

00:29:54.400 --> 00:29:54.770

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Council.

00:29:57.430 --> 00:29:57.790

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK.

00:29:58.220 --> 00:29:58.540

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

00:30:04.210 --> 00:30:06.520

Carla Brock

And I think I'll just mention, I think the annual meeting.

00:30:07.920 --> 00:30:12.010

Carla Brock

In 2024 is in Spokane. I know that's a ways away, but.

00:30:13.830 --> 00:30:16.400

Carla Brock

Maybe we could encourage all board members to attend.

00:30:17.010 --> 00:30:17.430

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Mm-hmm.

00:30:17.260 --> 00:30:18.700

Carla Brock

At that time be easier.

00:30:19.180 --> 00:30:23.580

Struthers, James

Yeah, that'd be excellent. Take some of the budgetary issues off the table for sure.

00:30:20.630 --> 00:30:21.040

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Yeah.

00:30:23.230 --> 00:30:24.330

Carla Brock

Yeah, yeah.

00:30:23.420 --> 00:30:24.610

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Right. Mm-hmm.

00:30:25.780 --> 00:30:44.750

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

There's a lot of responsibility and planning that our board will need to do for that to support it. I mean it and and Carla can attest to this. You know that there's usually some kind of a governor's proclamation of, you know, state geologist day and and that kind of, you know, there's there's a big what to do and and sometimes, you know, we can.

00:30:45.460 --> 00:30:52.930

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

We need to be proactive in speakers that we will be called upon to identify that can.

00:30:54.110 --> 00:31:10.040

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

You know, talk about Washington geology, whatever. I mean, I did that for when it was important was that 2017 eighteen, 2017, whatever it was, you know, identified the speakers and pulled them in to kind of represent Northwest geology. And it was a lot of.

00:31:10.580 --> 00:31:19.670

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Umm, it was really good because we have some really interesting stuff going on here that if you're from Kansas, not so much, you know, so.

00:31:21.470 --> 00:31:24.880

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

It wouldn't hurt to get things going pretty pretty soon.

00:31:26.320 --> 00:31:30.880

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

But definitely call upon board members to participate and like, really?

00:31:32.200 --> 00:31:33.270

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Give it some all.

00:31:36.250 --> 00:31:44.360

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

That's good to know. I you know, you think 2024 is a long ways away, but it's amazing how fast that creeps up on you. So good point Eileen.

00:31:43.960 --> 00:32:13.250

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

It's a year and a half. Yep. It's and. And. And honestly, you know, it's certainly reach out to some of the states that have hosted the ASBAG meeting in the last, say, five years. And just, you know, I'd recommend doing that thing. What did you do to prepare, how how far ahead of time did you need to do this? The How did you get a hold of the Gov to to make a jaw just, you know, I mean, that's just kind of the thing. It's it's tradition kinds of things that you want to find out about.

00:31:45.420 --> 00:31:46.120

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yeah.

00:32:16.530 --> 00:32:23.390

Carla Brock

Hey Umm, I just opened up the schedule and I misspoke and it's actually next year. So it's it is 2023.

00:32:22.130 --> 00:32:22.420

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Uh.

00:32:23.960 --> 00:32:24.350

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Ohh.

00:32:24.350 --> 00:32:24.780

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Yeah.

00:32:25.290 --> 00:32:25.800

Carla Brock

Yeah.

00:32:25.300 --> 00:32:27.020

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK, that's a little terrifying, Carla.

00:32:27.330 --> 00:32:28.560

Carla Brock

October 2023.

00:32:29.140 --> 00:32:32.040

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

We should know about these things. We should be on top of this stuff.

00:32:29.410 --> 00:32:29.770

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Act.

00:32:31.810 --> 00:32:37.300

Carla Brock

Well, I'm surprised that Asbag hasn't already reached out, but maybe they, maybe they wait until.

00:32:38.310 --> 00:32:42.570

Carla Brock

The meeting the previous meeting is over because it's a lot of work, so I'm sure the.

00:32:41.430 --> 00:32:41.710

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Yeah.

00:32:42.310 --> 00:32:42.680

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

So.

00:32:42.320 --> 00:32:43.160

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

It is.

00:32:43.670 --> 00:32:46.660

Carla Brock

I'm sure they're still busy planning the 2022 meeting.

00:32:43.810 --> 00:32:44.390

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

It sounds like.

00:32:44.010 --> 00:32:44.420

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yes.

00:32:47.680 --> 00:32:56.230

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

That sounds like we probably need to put that as an action item for upcoming meetings as to form a A a subcommittee to work on that.

00:32:57.510 --> 00:33:01.410

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

I get on it sooner than just waiting and waiting and waiting, you know, let's.

00:33:02.630 --> 00:33:03.250

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Let's start.

00:33:02.660 --> 00:33:05.290

Struthers, James

Let's put together a group of people to work on this.

00:33:04.930 --> 00:33:05.260

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yeah.

00:33:05.920 --> 00:33:12.770

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah, I mean, I won't be on the board then, but I'm more than happy to help. So this is where the volunteers come in that are former board members.

00:33:14.380 --> 00:33:18.850

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

How much you guys just glad to see me get out the door?

00:33:19.130 --> 00:33:19.490

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

About.

00:33:19.460 --> 00:33:19.810

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

No.

00:33:24.960 --> 00:33:33.090

Struthers, James

So Carla, is that something that you would be interested in kind of championing being the head of that committee and kind of drawing in resources from the other board members?

00:33:34.430 --> 00:33:34.990

Struthers, James

Basically.

00:33:34.560 --> 00:33:37.050

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

I so move that we elect Carla as the.

00:33:36.010 --> 00:33:36.560

Struthers, James

Propane.

00:33:38.150 --> 00:33:38.390

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

00:33:43.380 --> 00:33:44.210

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

We have a quorum.

00:33:44.960 --> 00:33:45.820

Struthers, James

I'll second that.

00:33:46.910 --> 00:33:48.460

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Done, Carla, you're it.

00:33:49.640 --> 00:33:51.200

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah, it's it's a lot of work.

00:33:49.930 --> 00:33:50.480

Carla Brock

Yeah, we should.

00:33:51.310 --> 00:33:53.260

Carla Brock

We should, we should reach out to asbag.

00:33:54.570 --> 00:33:59.910

Carla Brock

Maybe Sherry, you could put that on your action item list. Just reach out and make sure that it's still.

00:34:00.590 --> 00:34:05.330

Carla Brock

The schedule and the and the location is still the same as what's on this schedule.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

00:34:06.570 --> 00:34:06.780

Struthers, James

Yeah.

00:34:07.110 --> 00:34:08.230

Carla Brock

Before we do anything else.

00:34:08.640 --> 00:34:08.980

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Mm-hmm.

00:34:09.610 --> 00:34:10.790

Struthers, James

Yeah, because preparing for.

00:34:09.790 --> 00:34:27.340

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

I can help with some of the stuff that I did before if that's if that's of any use, but identifying our keynote speakers and things like during the luncheons and stuff is important because you gotta get on their calendars and maybe there are busy, maybe they're doing some other presentation at another venue, you know, but.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Getting those locked in ahead of time is super important and having backups.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

No.

00:34:35.140 --> 00:34:39.670

Struthers, James

So as as bug sets the venue and and basically runs their meeting, correct.

00:34:40.350 --> 00:34:42.790

Struthers, James

So it would just be outreach from the state side.

00:34:43.760 --> 00:35:00.110

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah, I mean, we would, we'd be sort of like the gracious hosts and there to answer questions about, well, what's there to do in Spokane? Well, we know because we're kind of like, you know, from this neck of the woods and and that sort of stuff. But as a bug will reach out to us to help them.

00:35:01.530 --> 00:35:02.540

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Identify.

00:35:04.110 --> 00:35:04.400

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Uh.

00:35:05.670 --> 00:35:22.160

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

They put together like a package. Usually that says. Here's some things to do while you're visiting this beautiful city. And here's, you know, things to do for your your spouses and the partners during the day while you're at the meeting. And sometimes there are group group tours.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

That they put together for you know, people that bring their husband's wives and partners or whatever.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

So things like that that we can help them.

00:35:32.530 --> 00:35:33.760

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Get the feeling the local.

00:35:35.660 --> 00:35:36.660

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Uh, yeah.

00:35:35.720 --> 00:36:05.210

Carla Brock

There's also. There's also two lunchtime speakers that come in and speak about some local, you know, something interesting geologically. And then there's a field trip. And I think that the local board, the state board usually helps provide professionals to lead that field trip or to identify, you know, cool, cool, geological things to take the to take the group on. So. But we should find out from asbag how much support and what kind of support they want from the board.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Right.

00:35:54.630 --> 00:35:54.830

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

00:36:02.150 --> 00:36:02.490

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Mm-hmm.

00:36:04.910 --> 00:36:05.130

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

00:36:05.750 --> 00:36:06.120

Carla Brock

Umm.

00:36:06.960 --> 00:36:14.300

Struthers, James

So we could talk to the governor about having Casey, like, run the field trip because, like he's the state geologist, right?

00:36:14.490 --> 00:36:14.980

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Umm.

00:36:15.260 --> 00:36:16.040

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

There you go.

00:36:16.390 --> 00:36:19.860

Struthers, James

Yeah, you can't. You can't say no. It's the governor, so.

00:36:20.510 --> 00:36:21.150

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Alright.

00:36:20.580 --> 00:36:21.090

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

There you go.

00:36:21.820 --> 00:36:24.280

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

But if it's if it's in Spokane.

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HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Official job duties.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

You know what? Whoever does the the tour and the keynote speaking and stuff, it would be helpful at least, especially for the the field trip.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

But they be super knowledgeable about the local.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Local stuff.

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Carla Brock

Yeah. And it's sometimes a handful of different people. It'll be, you know, a consultant who's familiar with the dam and then a geologist who's familiar with a special outcrop. And so it's, you know, a number of stops, usually looking at a few different things and a few different people leading it.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

You know.

00:36:43.780 --> 00:36:44.340

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

00:36:58.360 --> 00:36:59.070

Carla Brock

Yeah. So.

00:37:03.110 --> 00:37:03.950

Struthers, James

Sounds pretty good.

00:37:04.320 --> 00:37:04.650

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Mm-hmm.

00:37:08.310 --> 00:37:12.480

Struthers, James

So yeah, I mean, feel free to mean broke whoever you need to into that.

00:37:14.170 --> 00:37:19.470

Struthers, James

Myself included. You know, if you need assistance and anything, just speak up and.

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Struthers, James

Recruit as necessary.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

OK.

00:37:27.200 --> 00:37:39.210

Struthers, James

OK. So moving on to 3/2 is the spring exam that results. So you guys have the results summaries for that kind of a report?

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

As a matter of fact, we do. So yay.

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Struthers, James

OK.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

So as you know, we held the the spring examinations on the 18th of May.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Uh, sorry. 18th of March. I don't know. Why not? Saint Helens just comes to mind whenever I see 18. So March 18th up in the Tacoma Convention Center.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

We did all of the.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Fundamentals and practices examinations, as well as the specialty examinations. At the same time. So actually Sherry and Bill and Starr are all on this call, were instrumental in helping Proctor, that examination, along with some others who participated. So it is quite the effort to make sure that we're available and spending the day to get that exam proctored so.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

I brought up the results from looks like we go all the way back to 2019 in terms of our exam results, so this year.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

For the Washington examinations, we had 76 percent 76.4% of our candidates pass, compared to all of the jurisdictions in the country. That pass rate was only at 68.8%, and that's for the fundamentals.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

So we're a little higher than average on that exam for the practices we actually had 90.3% of our examinees pass.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Overall, the pass rate was 79%.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Throughout the rest of the nation, so again, we're higher than the average.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

And you can see that we're pretty much the trend has been pretty consistent since 2019.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Any questions on those?

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

And I think we're all aware that the ASBAG exams will be going virtual and so we will not be proctoring them.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

I think fall is the last one that will be proctoring him and then after that.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

As by will take over and.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

They will be done electronically, so we'll be all new and I'm pretty sure that star and Sherry will miss that proctoring experience because it does take a lot of work so.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Joking aside, I I don't think we'll miss it.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Ohh.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK. And next slide.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Fill might miss it, though Bill says he's gonna miss it. So for our specialty exams, for the engineering geology exam.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

The rates didn't look so great. We had eight examinees and we only had a 25% pass rate.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

For the hydrogeology, we had 10 examinees and only a 50% pass rate.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

So I think definitely with considering that we'll probably need to definitely look at those exam bank questions and and see where where we're having some difficulties.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Ohh.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Any questions on that?

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK. I think before we move off this slide, I just wanted to bring up a communication that we had received from Oregon and it is particularly pertaining to our specialty examinations. And when we moved to having the online.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Examinations where we will no longer be proctoring them. Oregon has asked the Oregon State Board of Geology is asked if we are interested in changing the dates that will be proctoring those exams or if we'll want to still continue to be in line with with the with each other with Azog.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

So.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

It's it's more of a question for discussion. I think that there's a lot to take into consideration in terms of cost and time resources.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Right now we're currently proctoring it twice a year.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

If we increase it, that increases the cost of trying to find a venue staff time.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Umm. Coordination with with Oregon?

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

But it is up for discussion and so we would love to have feedback from this board to see what their their thoughts are. If it's something that we want to even consider.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Or if it's something that.

00:42:46.770 --> 00:42:50.040

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

We have no interest in changing how we've done this in the past.

00:42:52.570 --> 00:42:55.570

Carla Brock

Umm as box not changing the frequency of the.

00:42:52.870 --> 00:42:53.090

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

I.

00:42:57.190 --> 00:42:58.290

Carla Brock

Asbag testing.

00:42:59.210 --> 00:43:08.460

Carla Brock

Umm, they're still doing it twice a year on the same day, so I don't, so I don't. I mean, I know it's it's different, but it seems like from.

00:43:02.580 --> 00:43:02.910

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Umm.

00:43:09.190 --> 00:43:18.130

Carla Brock

The perspective of having you know, you guys reviewing applications and having cut off dates for testing. I mean, it seems like it would be easier to still keep them all on the same schedule.

00:43:18.630 --> 00:43:23.810

Carla Brock

Umm, but that's, I mean we don't do any of that. So that's not for us to say really.

00:43:24.980 --> 00:43:25.360

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Umm.

00:43:24.990 --> 00:43:25.270

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yeah.

00:43:25.130 --> 00:43:27.570

Carla Brock

But I think I think twice a year is reasonable still.

00:43:25.490 --> 00:43:25.900

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Umm.

00:43:28.200 --> 00:43:31.110

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

When all else, when we were looking at.

00:43:32.420 --> 00:43:47.090

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

The presentations from the different consultants that were offering to help us develop this online exam, it was actually talked about as being able to take the exam anytime people wanted to. I got to do is go and do a test center or something and and take it so that's.

00:43:48.910 --> 00:43:58.360

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

I don't know where that decision is at this time, but it's possible in the future that it might change. So it's, I mean, it's good to ask the question that we're getting the question.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

So that we can have an answer at some point. You know if if Asbag does go that way and then again you know.

00:44:05.850 --> 00:44:18.510

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

As a state, we can decide we can decide regardless of asbach to say, well, we're only gonna allow these people to take an exam on certain dates, you know, and then we could make a quarterly or whatever. Yeah, whatever we want to do. But.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

I'm not sure how much real making I would entail as well.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

But I think just getting getting it online is like a.

00:44:28.740 --> 00:44:30.770

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Big Hall and a good thing.

00:44:32.700 --> 00:44:33.260

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yeah, agreed.

00:44:33.940 --> 00:44:35.580

Struthers, James

Yeah, it's a go ahead, Casey.

00:44:36.240 --> 00:44:36.560

Struthers, James

Sorry.

00:44:37.100 --> 00:45:00.280

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Ohh no no problem. I was gonna say I certainly see Carla's point. And if in fact as bog is going to keep it on the same day twice a year, I could. I could see doing the specialty exams on that schedule. I thought our discussions in the past were more similar to what Eileen was reflecting in that it was going to be kind of applicants for Ashbaugh could take the test whenever.

00:45:02.300 --> 00:45:08.840

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

And I think for the specialty exams, there would be a benefit to moving to quarterly to have applicants.

00:45:09.670 --> 00:45:20.740

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Have more opportunities in a year. You know, just because if they're on a vacation, one of those days or what? Whatever, you know, every once every six months is.

00:45:21.800 --> 00:45:28.190

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Not a lot of opportunity to take that exam and then thinking about cost and venue.

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HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

When we take it from that whole asbag.

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HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Pool down to just the specialty exams were really, you know, talking about.

00:45:38.610 --> 00:45:39.940

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

10 to 20 people.

00:45:42.010 --> 00:45:56.580

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

And so the venue would be smaller the, you know, the number of exams, the proctoring would still cost money still takes a lot of effort, but I think it is a much smaller lift than administering the whole as bug.

00:45:57.430 --> 00:46:02.980

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

At least in my mind. But Ward staff can help me with that. Maybe that the effort is the same kind of regardless of.

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HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Of size of group.

00:46:04.230 --> 00:46:12.660

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

No, no. OK. So you're absolutely correct. I mean the difference of administering, you know 18 to 20.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Uh.

00:46:15.520 --> 00:46:29.910

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Examinees, as opposed to, you know, the 100 plus that that we were doing. The venue becomes much smaller and if we did it more than twice a year, you conceivably we could do it in a space that was state.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Owned and we wouldn't have the cost of that.

00:46:34.390 --> 00:46:42.620

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

What the Oregon Board is interested in is trying to remain consistent so that we are testing on the same days.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Whatever we do, I think we would like to continue to be in line with Oregon. So that and that's you know it's up for discussion. I mean we can we can wait and see how it goes with the the fundamentals and practices going online and if in the future they do start asbag does allow for testing on at any time with the.

00:47:18.240 --> 00:47:25.690

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Similar to other professions then it would be something that maybe we wanna come back and revisit. Do we do it more often than twice a year?

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

It to Carlos Point, maybe it makes sense to continue to coordinate it with the ASBAG testing dates, but when it transitions, maybe we reevaluated at that time.

00:47:40.980 --> 00:48:01.010

Struthers, James

No, but I'd like to kind of put out a dissenting opinion on the on the test dates thing. You know, one of the one of the obstacles that I see or that I that I hear from applicants for the engineering geology exam is that they really there's not much of an appetite to sit for the as bug and then immediately follow that with the specialty exam.

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Struthers, James

So I would think that there, there there may be a perceived benefit to having it offset slightly.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Umm.

00:48:09.480 --> 00:48:20.630

Struthers, James

From the asbag test dates and just kind of wonder whether people think that that idea has any merit, or if that's just flawed piece of logic on my part.

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HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

The I mean the thought that brings to mind is applicants would still need to wait to have their as bug test results prior to being approved to sit for a specialty exam. So they're.

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HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Wouldn't be.

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HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

An opportunity I don't think for an applicant to take the practice of geology exam and a specialty exam on the same day. I know there are applicants that do the fundamentals of geology and the practice of geology, both the as bug exams on the same day or offset those. But I think that could be a benefit of going to a quarterly.

00:49:16.670 --> 00:49:30.660

Struthers, James

Yeah, I I you know, I'm with you, Casey. I think that there's some benefit at least on the engineering geology side for for quarterly testing. If we can pull it off from a, from a resourcing standpoint.

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Struthers, James

You know it I given given the number of registrants that we have out there, it's.

00:49:39.400 --> 00:49:42.440

Struthers, James

You know, I think removing that as a barrier may have some benefit.

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Struthers, James

When you don't, you don't necessarily see the same thing. Carla on the on the hydro side.

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Carla Brock

I think certainly if if we went to more frequent testing, I think we would have.

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Carla Brock

People testing at all of the available times. UM.

00:50:07.620 --> 00:50:10.630

Carla Brock

I don't know that it's necessarily a barrier.

00:50:11.310 --> 00:50:11.870

Carla Brock

Umm.

00:50:17.370 --> 00:50:34.740

Carla Brock

Yeah, I don't know. I guess it's, you know, one reason that asbag does it the way they do it. And ideally, you know, we should do it the way that we're doing it is so that we can review the tests after each administration and fix the exams where there's issues. If we did it quarterly, you know.

00:50:35.690 --> 00:50:42.830

Carla Brock

And we were we were trying to review questions after each testing cycle. That would be a little bit more of an ask for us.

00:50:44.880 --> 00:50:50.680

Carla Brock

Although admittedly it would be less work because there would be less feedback if it's more frequently provided.

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Carla Brock

I don't think that.

00:50:54.130 --> 00:50:54.780

Carla Brock

Umm.

00:50:59.420 --> 00:51:06.330

Carla Brock

Yeah, I don't know. It also seems like it just provide it. It just creates more work for board staff to administer the exam quarterly.

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Carla Brock

So I don't know. I see both sides. I see I see pros and cons to increasing the frequency.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

I I'd like to interject a little bit here. These are the actually the questions that came up.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

You know as a bug and the Member States and participants in the different committees and whatnot of already.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Spoken to these kinds of things and so wouldn't it be a good idea maybe to reach out to asbag and say, hey, these are our questions and we're just unclear about some of the offered resolutions, you know, cuz every state's dealing with this kind of these things. So maybe they said have have a way around it or.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

You know, certainly the consultant that that they hired to help with this has a lot of answers because they do this for a lot of organizations already that might have the same issues. You know the the size of the, the venue, the, the frequency of exam question review and that sort of thing. So.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

So maybe that could be an action item Jim to.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Have staff reach out to Asbag and say hey, here's some questions. How did you guys?

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Discuss this what? What are? What are the solutions that have come up?

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

And then we can, you know, maybe move on to something else.

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Struthers, James

Yeah, sure. So go ahead.

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Carla Brock

I think too that.

00:52:24.730 --> 00:52:36.800

Carla Brock

Oh, I was just gonna say I think this is a this is a whole new conversation. If and when we start to talk about changing these exams to computer based testing, I don't think that's currently part of the conversation. But certainly if we.

00:52:37.770 --> 00:52:43.930

Carla Brock

Change them over to computer based. It eliminates the need for board staff to administer them and it becomes a lot easier.

00:52:43.560 --> 00:52:44.080

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

00:52:44.530 --> 00:52:48.480

Carla Brock

Umm. So I mean, maybe it's something for now. We kind of sit on.

00:52:50.510 --> 00:52:52.270

Carla Brock

See what the organ board says.

00:52:53.110 --> 00:52:55.670

Carla Brock

And then, you know, revisit it after that.

00:52:54.150 --> 00:52:54.460

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

00:52:57.180 --> 00:53:01.850

Struthers, James

So that that meeting is on the 3rd with the, with the organs board to discuss that.

00:53:03.850 --> 00:53:05.780

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

I I imagine ultimately.

00:53:06.720 --> 00:53:12.990

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

The world's going electronic, you know, and and things will change. The coronavirus has taught us a lot of things.

00:53:13.620 --> 00:53:27.510

Struthers, James

Yeah. So I, I, Eileen, you were involved in in kind of the the move to go electronic for asphaug or at least involved in this conversations. What what's the what's the industry experience in small sample size?

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah. Yeah, I was on the.

00:53:29.170 --> 00:53:30.940

Struthers, James

Test you know these smaller tests.

00:53:31.700 --> 00:53:44.950

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

I I don't remember. It's been a couple years since I was on the committee and the committee was was at that time reviewing proposals from three different consultants and so there was a lot of.

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Struthers, James

I mean, it does.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

There was a lot said from three different, you know, organizations about these kinds of things and.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Again, I'd ask asbach cause.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

I I was there enough to to to do my duty for the committee but but I've not been. I'm not on the executive Committee, for example, to have taken what we learned from those discussions and.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

You know, selected the the consultant for the contractor or whatever. I I I again would reach out to asbag and say where are we with this stuff? What do you what? What are the things that we're talking about and some of the solutions offered.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

So.

00:54:27.070 --> 00:54:27.860

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

That's future.

00:54:31.180 --> 00:54:32.430

Struthers, James

Yeah. So if we could have.

00:54:34.570 --> 00:54:46.280

Struthers, James

Let's see, at a minimum from Asby, we need to know the frequency at which they're gonna exam, administer the exam, and if there are plans to do that or not on an on demand basis, right.

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Struthers, James

Those are the two primary questions for staff to take dasma.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

I think so. You know, unless you can think of others.

00:54:55.220 --> 00:55:08.580

Carla Brock

Yeah, as of the last annual meeting, which was in October, they were still planning to give the exam twice a year. So that they could still convene the Council of Examiners before and after each test and review, review the tests.

00:55:01.400 --> 00:55:01.730

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

00:55:09.770 --> 00:55:13.570

Carla Brock

So they haven't been discussing changing that frequency or schedule?

00:55:13.160 --> 00:55:13.650

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

00:55:13.340 --> 00:55:13.580

Struthers, James

Right.

00:55:14.780 --> 00:55:24.040

Struthers, James

And the the barrier, the barrier to that being the review cycle that you were talking about is that that's a that's a pretty strong desire on asphyx part to maintain that system.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

00:55:24.660 --> 00:55:25.540

Carla Brock

Right, Yep.

00:55:25.770 --> 00:55:28.090

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

So the culture of Asbag is.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Pretty snail paste.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Just saying.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Things don't happen there very quickly. Often you know it takes a lot of new blood coming in.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

To make big changes, so I mean, just just even having the discussion about online testing was like pulling teeth.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

But we finally got there, you know.

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Struthers, James

So that would be one. So one action item for staff is to reach out to asbag and check on those two items.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

00:56:01.220 --> 00:56:05.760

Struthers, James

Uh, and you know another one that occurs to me is.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

00:56:05.840 --> 00:56:10.890

Struthers, James

So I'm looking into feasibility and costs of increasing the frequency.

00:56:11.710 --> 00:56:14.950

Struthers, James

Of testing, right? What what would that cost? What would it look like?

00:56:15.590 --> 00:56:18.890

Struthers, James

Umm, in terms of staff demand and and budget?

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Struthers, James

Because if it's if it's too there, there has to be a cap on how many times you could do it in a year before it just doesn't cost effective, right?

00:56:30.900 --> 00:56:34.850

Struthers, James

Just because you get rid of proctoring the asbag doesn't mean that it's a great idea to.

00:56:35.790 --> 00:56:45.560

Struthers, James

Probably bury you guys in a bunch, you know, take all of that resource that we freed up and and put it all in one spot. You know that doesn't that doesn't seem to make any sense to me.

00:56:47.140 --> 00:56:57.520

Struthers, James

So if you could do if you could take a look at in a preliminary way what that would look like in terms of demand on you guys, that would probably be helpful though discussion.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK, we can do that so.

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Struthers, James

And and kind of framing kind of frame conversations with the Oregon board as well.

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Struthers, James

Casey.

00:57:10.770 --> 00:57:12.020

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Uh, I didn't have anything.

00:57:22.530 --> 00:57:22.910

Struthers, James

OK.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Uh, yeah, I got to reach out to asbag for solutions about the specialty exam.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

I know I captured frequent sweet Jim had frequency. Ohh frequency to administer the exam.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

And what was the other part of that? I also got the cost budget to administer the exam where those the two that you were OK.

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Struthers, James

Yeah.

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Struthers, James

It's also a check on uh from asbag. If they have any plans to go to a offering that on on, on demand or more frequent basis.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Yes.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah. And I don't think they'll be able to give us any.

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Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Response to frequency of specialties, because that's not something as bug.

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Struthers, James

Yeah, it's not really their corner.

00:58:13.710 --> 00:58:16.700

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Does. Yeah. So let's strike that first one.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

No.

00:58:18.660 --> 00:58:19.110

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Gotcha.

00:58:19.710 --> 00:58:21.500

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

That would just be up to us, you know.

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Umm.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yeah.

00:58:24.610 --> 00:58:26.520

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

And that's that's up for discussion.

00:58:24.760 --> 00:58:30.800

Struthers, James

Yeah, there's. I don't think there's anything in Rule that ruler or statute that precludes us from.

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Struthers, James

You know, changing the frequency or dates of the test is there.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

No.

00:58:36.370 --> 00:58:39.810

Struthers, James

Yeah. So that's just a matter of whether it's practical and beneficial.

00:58:42.360 --> 00:58:42.570

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yep.

00:58:45.670 --> 00:58:49.050

Struthers, James

OK. Does anybody have anything else on that, that item?

00:58:56.030 --> 00:58:59.140

Struthers, James

How how much feedback do we get on the test just.

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Struthers, James

And was it a long list or a?

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

No, I looked through the feedback. I think I got comments from only two examinees.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

On.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

I'm thinking for the.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

The.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

The hydrogeology there was two and for the engineering there was only one.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

So I think what what would probably be helpful is to bring more than just the spring comments since when was the last time that these have been reviewed? Is it been some time?

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Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Umm.

00:59:30.800 --> 00:59:33.970

Carla Brock

It hasn't happened since I've been on the board, so now it's over.

00:59:30.890 --> 00:59:31.280

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yeah.

00:59:30.940 --> 00:59:31.250

Struthers, James

I.

00:59:31.070 --> 00:59:32.680

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Yes, it's over a year.

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Struthers, James

Yeah, have a good workout. Never reviewed since I've been here, so.

00:59:36.180 --> 00:59:36.970

Carla Brock

Yeah, it's been.

00:59:36.350 --> 00:59:39.510

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Uh, it hasn't. It's been table or it's been on the.

00:59:39.090 --> 00:59:40.630

Carla Brock

Spent over five years, I think.

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Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK, so I think there's gonna be finding comments from the last five years and compiling them to look at.

00:59:49.130 --> 01:00:02.500

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

You know from a data standard you've got a little bit more to work with, but yeah, that's been a lot long time. So we'll get that compiled and get some some meetings on the calendar so we can review those.

01:00:03.180 --> 01:00:03.680

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Mm-hmm.

01:00:05.020 --> 01:00:15.710

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Thank you for the discussion. I'll we'll, I'll share with Oregon that we have more questions than answers at this point, but it is something that we're interested in in having further discussion on so.

01:00:17.490 --> 01:00:17.890

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Thank you.

01:00:17.730 --> 01:00:21.290

Struthers, James

And and Oregon only offers the do they offer hydro down there?

01:00:22.810 --> 01:00:24.440

Struthers, James

Just just the engineering geology.

01:00:26.550 --> 01:00:27.400

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Right, correct.

01:00:32.850 --> 01:00:35.220

Struthers, James

Tom and I, on the uh on correspondence.

01:00:35.930 --> 01:00:38.400

Struthers, James

On that, that would be useful that we were in the loop.

01:00:36.010 --> 01:00:36.390

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Mm-hmm.

01:00:36.040 --> 01:00:36.550

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Caps.

01:00:39.030 --> 01:00:40.620

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK, I'll do that.

01:00:41.240 --> 01:00:45.770

Struthers, James

Right. So moving on to complaint cases that there's nothing else.

01:00:47.930 --> 01:00:48.930

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

We don't have any.

01:00:50.070 --> 01:00:50.310

Struthers, James

No.

01:00:51.940 --> 01:00:52.510

Struthers, James

Well, that's good.

01:00:56.290 --> 01:00:56.710

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Yes.

01:00:59.130 --> 01:01:01.720

Struthers, James

Any legal issues? Item number 5.

01:01:04.600 --> 01:01:04.930

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

No.

01:01:07.880 --> 01:01:16.000

Struthers, James

OK. So on to item 6. Uh. Summary of disciplinary cases, Deb.

01:01:18.540 --> 01:01:19.750

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Can you scroll?

01:01:20.240 --> 01:01:21.440

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Yes, hang on.

01:01:21.150 --> 01:01:21.450

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK.

01:01:22.110 --> 01:01:23.500

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

There, sorry.

01:01:24.850 --> 01:01:25.520

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Perfect.

01:01:26.730 --> 01:01:33.500

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK, it looks like currently we have two cases that were.

01:01:34.900 --> 01:01:40.170

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

There was no action, so there was there were unsubstantiated and those were closed.

01:01:40.920 --> 01:01:41.390

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Uh.

01:01:42.430 --> 01:01:45.160

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

One after investigate or then we have one.

01:01:45.800 --> 01:01:47.750

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

I'm not understanding your table here.

01:01:51.250 --> 01:01:52.600

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Can you tell us what those?

01:01:54.260 --> 01:01:56.540

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

What the complaint is so no.

01:01:57.820 --> 01:02:00.780

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Well, unfortunately, Eileen, I don't have that.

01:02:01.510 --> 01:02:04.370

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Amount of detail on this on this report.

01:02:05.680 --> 01:02:15.270

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

And and typically when we present to the board, we'll get case numbers and we don't have much more beyond that. So currently, Carla has one closed case.

01:02:16.010 --> 01:02:25.530

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Umm. And then we had two closed cases. One that went to investigations and so grand total this year of four cases since May.

01:02:27.570 --> 01:02:28.720

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Of 2022.

01:02:30.260 --> 01:02:31.580

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

So could I request that we get?

01:02:32.300 --> 01:02:39.140

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

And have information like just just with the complaint is the complaint was about, you know, it was a frivolous.

01:02:39.880 --> 01:02:45.690

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Whatever I get that with. If those don't get assigned and you know move forward for resolution.

01:02:46.920 --> 01:02:48.990

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

But it be just nice to have what the complaint is.

01:02:49.880 --> 01:02:52.930

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

You know, just just a generic one sentence would be great.

01:02:53.410 --> 01:02:57.180

Struthers, James

Yeah, especially if they're unsubstantiated, you know what is?

01:02:57.440 --> 01:03:04.070

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

This, especially if there's substantiated or yeah, you'd either way I think that that's something that the board members need to know.

01:02:58.650 --> 01:02:59.890

Struthers, James

What? What's the nature of that?

01:03:04.680 --> 01:03:08.580

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Umm, what kind of complaints that we're getting and?

01:03:10.200 --> 01:03:14.660

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

You know, it's kind of really up to the board, I think at some time to.

01:03:14.260 --> 01:03:14.560

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Uh-huh.

01:03:15.520 --> 01:03:20.030

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Way in on well, you know, maybe that really is a thing or no, that's not a thing.

01:03:23.070 --> 01:03:27.490

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Am I asking too much? I mean I this is just been my experience on other boards so.

01:03:25.080 --> 01:03:25.470

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Well.

01:03:28.360 --> 01:03:34.100

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yeah. And I what we were doing right now, Eileen, is we're trying to standardize the reports that we're.

01:03:34.170 --> 01:03:43.000

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

For getting for all of our boards and commissions, and it's at a high level in terms of our complaints.

01:03:43.980 --> 01:03:46.890

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

You know, we're gonna have our.

01:03:48.100 --> 01:03:59.150

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Centralized investigation and audit units speaking here in a few moments and maybe better able to let us know what level that they can get to. But for the most part.

01:04:00.630 --> 01:04:13.200

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

It it would be high level, you wouldn't be seeing everything and what they are when we have no jurisdiction. So when it says NA, it usually means that.

01:04:14.090 --> 01:04:16.080

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

It got the intake.

01:04:17.630 --> 01:04:38.860

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Took in the case they really looked at it said this does not constitute a complaint and I mean some examples of things that the don't constitute are complaints on the Department of Licensing. We get a lot of those, not necessarily in geology, but it is one that we get a lot of times. So it could be anything that comes in.

01:04:40.440 --> 01:04:43.620

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

That would not rise to the level of word action.

01:04:44.380 --> 01:04:53.540

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

And those are where we have the discretion to close them before wasting the board's time. Does that help to clarify a little bit?

01:04:55.260 --> 01:05:02.070

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Only a little, yeah, but it's just it's just me asking. So if I'm the only one asking them, you know, it's not gonna fly. So.

01:04:56.740 --> 01:04:57.090

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK.

01:05:02.580 --> 01:05:02.850

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yeah.

01:05:02.590 --> 01:05:02.950

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Umm.

01:05:03.930 --> 01:05:11.300

Struthers, James

But you know, I think the high level information would be somewhat useful, you know, at least we know the the type of stuff that's crossing your guys's desk.

01:05:07.860 --> 01:05:09.630

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

I I do, yeah.

01:05:11.720 --> 01:05:40.510

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah, that's all I'm asking for. I'm not asking for details and reports and names, and you know, it's just, well, we got a couple that were, you know, complaints about the next door neighbor frivolous, whatever. I mean, just we got five frivolous complaints, 44 that were non geology related, one about improper report stamping or, you know, just that high level is all I'm asking for. I mean that nothing detailed and and I get it because like if if these complaints are not resolved.

01:05:14.680 --> 01:05:14.860

Struthers, James

Yeah.

01:05:17.770 --> 01:05:18.060

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yeah.

01:05:28.300 --> 01:05:28.590

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Uh-huh.

01:05:41.830 --> 01:05:42.540

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

You know.

01:05:43.380 --> 01:05:52.460

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

It it's kind of hard to to say what the complaint is, but I I think that you know we we do discuss you know like the what Carla's working on. We do discuss what you know her findings are.

01:05:46.550 --> 01:05:46.760

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

I.

01:05:53.180 --> 01:05:58.070

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

And I I get that, but I'm just asking for just a little more information than just.

01:05:58.640 --> 01:06:00.290

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Umm, what we have been?

01:06:01.220 --> 01:06:09.580

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

But that's just me. So if it's just me. No, no, no, no. If it's just me and I, I don't have agreement with the other board members then.

01:06:02.550 --> 01:06:03.850

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Well, we'll see what we can do.

01:06:10.240 --> 01:06:12.800

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Ignore my my request if it's just me.

01:06:13.440 --> 01:06:14.480

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

That's OK, I mean.

01:06:15.200 --> 01:06:15.590

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Really.

01:06:16.400 --> 01:06:32.750

Struthers, James

Umm I I think it would be somewhat useful. Personally I mean to at least know the nature of the complaints or you know because some of them are gonna be non jurisdictional as soon assuming that they're a possibility there is that we got a complaint that should have gone to another board.

01:06:17.680 --> 01:06:18.060

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

If it's.

01:06:33.920 --> 01:06:37.890

Struthers, James

Knowing where there's over those areas of overlap are would be a good thing.

01:06:33.930 --> 01:06:34.050

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

No.

01:06:38.660 --> 01:06:57.460

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yeah. Well, and and you know, as we've gone as we've been moving through our functional alignment, one of the things is that we have consolidated our resources into complaint intake that that serves not just this board, but serves you know of our 39 professions. It channels quite a few through.

01:07:07.950 --> 01:07:10.450

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Umm, I can tell you that this board.

01:07:19.590 --> 01:07:44.420

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Umm I I think a year coming into that board. So you're talking volume wise it would it would be something that yeah, it would be easy enough to do for geology. But if the real estate Commission asked for the same thing, we couldn't possibly do that for them. So we can look at what we can do on an aggregate level that may have a little bit more detail, but I don't know that we can get totally into the weeds on any of the reporting that we do.

01:07:45.370 --> 01:07:46.260

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

That makes sense.

01:07:48.030 --> 01:07:48.520

Struthers, James

Yes.

01:07:49.070 --> 01:07:49.560

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Capital.

01:07:49.380 --> 01:07:50.360

Struthers, James

You had something, Carla.

01:07:52.400 --> 01:07:52.670

Struthers, James

No.

01:07:53.280 --> 01:07:53.720

Struthers, James

OK.

01:08:09.230 --> 01:08:11.240

Struthers, James

Uh, so we don't have a.

01:08:12.240 --> 01:08:14.390

Struthers, James

AG report.

01:08:15.200 --> 01:08:15.650

Struthers, James

This time.

01:08:16.390 --> 01:08:18.040

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Elizabeth, did you have anything?

01:08:19.240 --> 01:08:22.590

Lagerberg, Elizabeth E (ATG)

I do not. I. I'm trying to think of anything.

01:08:20.980 --> 01:08:21.350

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

OK.

01:08:23.790 --> 01:08:30.540

Lagerberg, Elizabeth E (ATG)

I guess the one issue that came up over the past since the last meeting was the issue of whether.

01:08:32.020 --> 01:08:37.770

Lagerberg, Elizabeth E (ATG)

A person could serve who had as a public member who had some connections to the.

01:08:40.260 --> 01:08:41.870

Lagerberg, Elizabeth E (ATG)

To that geology.

01:08:43.370 --> 01:08:45.030

Lagerberg, Elizabeth E (ATG)

Industry and.

01:08:45.610 --> 01:08:52.320

Lagerberg, Elizabeth E (ATG)

Umm yeah, I'm not sure how that one was resolved, but that was the one thing that came up in the in the recent past so.

01:08:54.540 --> 01:08:54.860

Lagerberg, Elizabeth E (ATG)

Yeah.

01:08:56.500 --> 01:09:01.950

Lagerberg, Elizabeth E (ATG)

Otherwise, no report unless somebody can think of some other issue that I need to address at the moment.

01:09:08.250 --> 01:09:11.070

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Nope, looks like there's no nothing else.

01:09:13.220 --> 01:09:14.270

Struthers, James

OK so.

01:09:15.110 --> 01:09:16.870

Struthers, James

Moving down to committees.

01:09:18.560 --> 01:09:21.250

Struthers, James

So the first one on here is the Charter.

01:09:23.760 --> 01:09:25.390

Struthers, James

So apparently we.

01:09:26.300 --> 01:09:28.370

Struthers, James

Ran into some snags with the charter.

01:09:29.620 --> 01:09:34.860

Struthers, James

That revolve around kind of review of that with respect to the.

01:09:36.450 --> 01:09:42.700

Struthers, James

Kind of areas where it may be outside of the scope of the RCW and WAC'S.

01:09:49.810 --> 01:09:52.330

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yeah, Jim, I can speak to that a little bit, so.

01:09:53.330 --> 01:09:53.710

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

I'm sorry.

01:09:58.230 --> 01:10:22.970

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

We received some feedback from the board members in some edits and at that point, as we were Rick and I were finalizing looking at the draft and trying to get it put together, we started to have some concerns about the Charter overstepping our authority in terms of the RCW'S and the wax and and the deeper we look, the more we we had some serious concerns.

01:10:24.220 --> 01:10:52.350

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

So kind of rethinking about what we want the purpose of the Charter to be and we would like to take a stab at trying to redraft it and then sending it through for Elizabeth to look at at as another time and then sending out a draft before our September meeting to the whole board. So there's just some areas. What we realized is the things that would be very helpful for our boards would be.

01:10:53.970 --> 01:11:14.840

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Direction on how to be a case manager. Setting some of the expectations of what the board duties are and and really defining. Having a document that would help to define the work that the board does, what it means to serve on the subcommittee and and really helping to identify that.

01:11:16.080 --> 01:11:27.830

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

According to Rick, the Architects Board has a pretty close charter that they're almost done with, and I will take a look at that and see how they've developed that and what we can apply to this Charter as well.

01:11:29.020 --> 01:11:45.680

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

And then work on that over the summer. I mean Rick is retiring as of August 12th, but before that I'm gonna pick his brain as clean as I can and try and get as much of this work done. So I apologize for the pause on this. It it you know.

01:11:46.690 --> 01:11:55.340

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

One of those were sometimes things come to your attention and you start to dig deeper and you go wait, we really need to. We need to assess this one more time so.

01:11:57.470 --> 01:12:00.170

Struthers, James

Yeah, one one thing that I would ask is a.

01:12:00.990 --> 01:12:16.970

Struthers, James

Kind of a staff assignment is as you as you identify areas in the Charter which are perceived to be outside of the board authority. If you could, if you could get that information to Casey and Eileen, the members of that committee.

01:12:18.130 --> 01:12:21.990

Struthers, James

And and so that we can have kind of a discussion about where we wanna go with that.

01:12:22.860 --> 01:12:24.100

Struthers, James

Because they're.

01:12:25.080 --> 01:12:25.470

Struthers, James

Yes.

01:12:26.600 --> 01:12:28.240

Struthers, James

If the items that are in the Charter.

01:12:29.080 --> 01:12:31.530

Struthers, James

Are not covered under WAC.

01:12:32.760 --> 01:12:45.350

Struthers, James

Yeah, but the board feels that they're important things to have in there. It may be worth entering into some kind of rule process to get get a WAC that it incorporates that material.

01:12:46.350 --> 01:12:47.780

Struthers, James

Are you open to that, Eileen or?

01:12:48.580 --> 01:12:50.910

Struthers, James

You think that's a good way to get resolution on this?

01:12:51.810 --> 01:13:03.550

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

I am aware of the fact that there are issues about RCW's and wax that need to be addressed, but I have no idea what they are. It'd be nice to know, and I'd be more than happy to help, but.

01:13:05.330 --> 01:13:05.850

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

01:13:06.930 --> 01:13:12.460

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

I I need to learn. You know, I I need to learn. What? What it is that is deficient or incorrect.

01:13:13.760 --> 01:13:14.610

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

So.

01:13:14.000 --> 01:13:14.210

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

What?

01:13:16.120 --> 01:13:18.500

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

I'd like to work with staff on that then.

01:13:19.150 --> 01:13:22.520

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Just having staff do it for us, I think it'd be a good learning experience.

01:13:23.740 --> 01:13:30.790

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

And if anyone else wants to join me in that to to kind of keep that baton going, you know, like Casey's gonna be on the board for.

01:13:31.640 --> 01:13:34.280

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

As long as he has his job, at least right, so.

01:13:34.420 --> 01:13:35.290

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Yep.

01:13:36.070 --> 01:13:36.680

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Definitely.

01:13:38.090 --> 01:13:39.830

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Yeah, I'd be happy to join on that.

01:13:38.160 --> 01:13:38.570

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

So.

01:13:38.250 --> 01:13:38.770

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

01:13:40.410 --> 01:14:06.660

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK, so why don't we schedule a meeting then? Eileen. Casey. So that we can go through that draft document together and we can talk through some of it. And then if if what we're seeing is something that the board would like to see changed in Rule, we can definitely try and start identifying that. I am going to let you know that rule changes right now for our boards and commissions is as slow as the rest of the work that we're doing. So.

01:14:07.490 --> 01:14:11.840

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

I I can't promise anything within this year, so.

01:14:12.630 --> 01:14:19.050

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Just just keep that in mind and then if it is in RCW that that we're not compliant.

01:14:19.800 --> 01:14:22.650

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

RCWS obviously are not going to be as easy to change.

01:14:23.330 --> 01:14:26.690

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Of course, I I'd also like to sort of.

01:14:24.420 --> 01:14:24.710

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

But.

01:14:28.210 --> 01:14:31.180

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Resurrect something that we talked about earlier is.

01:14:32.010 --> 01:14:53.570

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

The board can do this. A lot of this work for you and can help out staff. I know you're short handed and you know we're we're here. So I mean rulemaking that's that's kind of in our lap anyway. So if we needed to go there, I'm just saying. So please don't hesitate to ask us to, to do our jobs. Yeah, we're more than happy to help.

01:14:38.610 --> 01:14:38.880

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Uh.

01:14:48.170 --> 01:14:48.370

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK.

01:14:54.470 --> 01:14:59.630

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Well then start by scheduling a meeting and we can we can address. So what we have going on with that.

01:15:00.920 --> 01:15:01.910

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

I look at some of those.

01:15:02.590 --> 01:15:11.150

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

And what we would like to add into that Charter to make it a a document that is gonna serve the board as well as as the department.

01:15:12.250 --> 01:15:21.050

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

That'd be great. And and so you know, Casey scheduled in my schedule where state workers. So we're online, you can see our calendars and just schedule something that that might work for us.

01:15:21.560 --> 01:15:22.520

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK, perfect.

01:15:22.230 --> 01:15:22.940

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

That'd be great.

01:15:23.370 --> 01:15:26.870

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

All right, sounds good. So there's another action item, Sherry.

01:15:27.810 --> 01:15:28.620

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Great. Thank you.

01:15:28.200 --> 01:15:28.670

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Thank you.

01:15:33.630 --> 01:15:40.230

Struthers, James

OK, so moving on to student outreach, Cathy's not here. Eileen, do you have?

01:15:41.120 --> 01:15:49.660

Struthers, James

Some kind of report about kind of your guys's activity or this kind of the status of I think Kathy was working on a on a poster.

01:15:50.280 --> 01:16:01.390

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

No, she wasn't. She was supposed to be. It was supposed to be done last summer, and if it hasn't been done now, it ain't happening. So any any action items have been in her lap and.

01:15:52.170 --> 01:15:53.120

Struthers, James

She wasn't.

01:15:57.270 --> 01:15:58.300

Struthers, James

Probably not gonna happen.

01:16:04.710 --> 01:16:05.190

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

So no.

01:16:06.050 --> 01:16:07.680

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

And that's all I'm gonna say about that.

01:16:08.580 --> 01:16:09.610

Struthers, James

Fair enough so.

01:16:10.950 --> 01:16:13.970

Struthers, James

What that will move on to the board executive report.

01:16:22.100 --> 01:16:26.710

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK, I don't know if anybody else's blindness I am, but those numbers look very small.

01:16:27.970 --> 01:16:32.030

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Is there a way to increase that Sherry. Ohh no.

01:16:35.370 --> 01:16:37.420

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK, so I'll read it.

01:16:36.300 --> 01:16:39.210

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah, you can. You can control scroll.

01:16:39.940 --> 01:16:53.230

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

To to increase it, but you only see a piece of it. So maybe in the future if we could increase the font and make everything like bold or or narrower, so that would be a good, not an action item, just a simple request please.

01:16:48.000 --> 01:16:48.250

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yeah.

01:16:53.870 --> 01:16:58.550

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

All right, I need to get better glasses. I'm then gonna look at my other screen cause it's.

01:16:59.310 --> 01:17:01.400

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

I can make it larger on my other screen so.

01:17:02.740 --> 01:17:05.350

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Those of you that are not visually impaired.

01:17:07.640 --> 01:17:19.120

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Currently, in terms of our licensing count, we have 1820 active geologists. We have seven cancelled.

01:17:20.010 --> 01:17:23.560

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

We have 384 that are expired.

01:17:24.660 --> 01:17:26.550

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

We have 8 inactive.

01:17:27.730 --> 01:17:31.380

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

24 that have taken advantage of the retired status.

01:17:32.190 --> 01:17:35.960

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

And then in training, we currently have 171.

01:17:37.690 --> 01:17:44.440

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

So for that grand total of 2414 geologists right now.

01:17:45.570 --> 01:17:46.050

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

I.

01:17:47.290 --> 01:17:55.850

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Again, we've this is always been really interesting for our other licensees. We've put them in the categories for age brackets.

01:17:57.900 --> 01:18:06.150

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

And what we're seeing is obviously that all of our professionals are trending towards the upper end of the age bracket.

01:18:07.270 --> 01:18:10.850

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Umm and geology is not any different so.

01:18:11.790 --> 01:18:15.560

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

A large percentage in the 55 and older.

01:18:16.750 --> 01:18:20.540

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Of 54159 and the 65 and above.

01:18:21.410 --> 01:18:29.240

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

810 in the 55 to 64 range and then 516 in the 45 to 54.

01:18:39.630 --> 01:19:00.610

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Do you did they educational demands for this profession? That's not really a surprise. 25 to 34271 and then for 35 to 44 we're seeing 336. So again the you know the need to see more outreach to education is evident in the numbers. OK.

01:19:01.660 --> 01:19:24.080

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

A licensee endorsement counts, so currently for the engineering geologist there are 259 and for the engineering geologist and hydrogeologists there's 96. And then for just hydrogeologists there's 501. So under the specialties we have 856 in the state.

01:19:25.690 --> 01:19:27.270

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Any questions on those numbers?

01:19:30.460 --> 01:19:31.160

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK.

01:19:30.860 --> 01:19:32.500

Struthers, James

Yeah. What's what's cancelled?

01:19:33.360 --> 01:19:34.920

Struthers, James

Was that definition mean?

01:19:33.690 --> 01:19:34.040

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

So.

01:19:36.010 --> 01:19:42.570

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

I'm. I'm gonna answer this and then I'm gonna hope that star is still on the line and she can correct me when I'm wrong.

01:19:43.590 --> 01:20:03.600

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

But cancelled is the status that once an active licensee goes expired, the license will remain in an expired status for a set period of time until it goes into cancellation for each of our licensing bases. It's different, so I have not memorized geologists.

01:20:04.380 --> 01:20:10.620

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Typically expired as a year before it moves into cancelled, but star are you on the line to keep me.

01:20:11.410 --> 01:20:28.380

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

Yeah, I am. So for the yes. So for the geologist they the status should not go into cancelled unless it's been five years since their license expired because then they're going to have to do additional things to renew or reinstate their license. So like.

01:20:13.170 --> 01:20:13.570

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Thank you.

01:20:29.110 --> 01:20:38.340

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

I think for the geos, they have to send like an explanation of why and as well as that they're up on the laws and rules as well as.

01:20:39.730 --> 01:20:44.860

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

I think they're resume. So yeah, there's just additional documentation that's needed.

01:20:47.120 --> 01:20:55.530

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Would you say star that a lot of the licenses that are in cancelled status may have gone into that status before we had the retired status?

01:20:56.190 --> 01:20:59.190

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

And they just had let their lap their license lapse.

01:20:56.600 --> 01:20:57.070

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

You.

01:20:59.970 --> 01:21:04.780

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

Yes, that that could be the case as well. Yeah, because we didn't used to have that status.

01:21:07.010 --> 01:21:07.670

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Good question.

01:21:08.370 --> 01:21:09.060

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Thanks Sir.

01:21:08.530 --> 01:21:08.920

Struthers, James

Thank you.

01:21:15.620 --> 01:21:17.430

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK and.

01:21:19.280 --> 01:21:27.360

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

So we have put out a list of all of our new licensees welcoming into the profession so.

01:21:34.550 --> 01:21:38.110

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Thank you for this list. I know I asked for it a long time ago and I really appreciate seeing it.

01:21:40.610 --> 01:21:41.100

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yeah.

01:21:43.550 --> 01:21:45.260

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

OK and.

01:21:45.630 --> 01:21:46.780

Struthers, James

A lot of git's.

01:21:48.210 --> 01:21:49.930

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

That looks like a lot of charities.

01:21:48.490 --> 01:21:48.950

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yeah.

01:21:51.330 --> 01:21:52.760

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

This is good new blood.

01:21:52.360 --> 01:21:53.380

Struthers, James

That's a good thing.

01:21:53.730 --> 01:21:54.000

Webb, Eileen L. (ECY)

Yes.

01:21:57.320 --> 01:21:58.810

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

Yeah, outreach works.

01:22:02.060 --> 01:22:05.430

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

And that's it for what I have.

01:22:06.720 --> 01:22:11.360

Allen-Ba, Debra (DOL)

The next part of this is. I'm gonna turn it over to my colleagues so.

01:22:17.710 --> 01:22:48.280

Dutra, Bill (DOL)

Good morning. My name is Bill Dutra. I'm the assistant administrator with the business and Professions Division, and I, the assistant administrator over our centralized investigations and audits unit, which also includes complaint intake. As I'm sure you all were, because we've been talking about it for quite a bit. The division has gone through an alignment where we have aligned our lines of business with to be very consistent across the board, but also as Dev Allenbaugh mentioned earlier is that.

01:22:48.360 --> 01:23:14.060

Dutra, Bill (DOL)

We are our division currently supports 39 different professional licensing groups and with that, all of those investigations, inspections that are audits are now under one umbrella. The one thing I'm here to let you all know is that the same people that you have used to working with with investigations are still the same people that will be supporting the geology board. What we have done though is granted or we've been able to give them more resources.

01:23:15.440 --> 01:23:41.750

Dutra, Bill (DOL)

Earlier we had on the line with us. She had to go to another meeting. Was is a new person to our agency, Evelyn Manley Rodriguez, who is going to be managing a lot of those processes. And we're in the process of hiring an investigation supervisor directly to support boards and commissions. We're excited to work with all of you as we move forward and looking at different ways to do things and support our staff and each other.

01:23:43.330 --> 01:23:59.780

Dutra, Bill (DOL)

If you ever have any questions, you can always reach out to us. You'll see many of us that will be attending these board meetings throughout the year in case there's questions or situations that come up at this time. I'd also like to introduce my boss, the administrator for the centralized investigations unit, Kathy Negley.

01:24:02.020 --> 01:24:31.390

Naegeli, Catharine (DOL)

Good morning. First of all, thank you for allowing us to sit here with you today and get to meet with all of you. Bill described it perfectly. The support that you've been getting, you'll continue to get that support in the manner that you have. The great thing is on this alignment that we can get more support for those investigations along the way. Again, please feel free to reach out to us at any time and we'll be sitting in this space with you.

01:24:31.470 --> 01:24:41.640

Naegeli, Catharine (DOL)

Again, to be able to support you with any of the questions that you may have or be able to help in any way that we can. So we really appreciate your time today.

01:24:52.410 --> 01:24:52.910

Struthers, James

Umm.

01:24:53.710 --> 01:24:55.350

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Except yeah, back to you, Jim.

01:24:54.710 --> 01:24:56.650

Struthers, James

Anything else in the here? What's that?

01:24:57.410 --> 01:24:59.150

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

No, that's back to you, Jim.

01:24:59.470 --> 01:25:04.230

Struthers, James

OK, so I think at this point we're on to other business.

01:25:05.290 --> 01:25:19.060

Struthers, James

And I think the one of the main things that I wanted to talk about is something we've already discussed, which was the the possibility of increasing frequency of testing and whether that's a good idea or not.

01:25:20.040 --> 01:25:21.050

Struthers, James

So I do.

01:25:21.760 --> 01:25:27.010

Struthers, James

And you guys have anything new to talk about or issues to bring up?

01:25:28.040 --> 01:25:29.530

Struthers, James

Just open the floor to you.

01:25:34.770 --> 01:25:35.200

Struthers, James

OK.

01:25:36.370 --> 01:25:38.040

Struthers, James

Uh, hearing nothing.

01:25:40.110 --> 01:25:42.690

Struthers, James

Get a summary of kind of action items.

01:25:43.030 --> 01:25:43.560

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Mm-hmm.

01:25:44.700 --> 01:25:48.150

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

OK, so the first one I got was.

01:25:48.710 --> 01:25:55.940

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Uh to eat you guys can email me any suggestions for that for the outreach to send, you know, so we can.

01:25:56.790 --> 01:26:04.540

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

You know, EEG or whatever and have your contractors or specific people that you guys have contact send those to me.

01:26:07.100 --> 01:26:10.810

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

And then we're going to schedule time before our next meeting.

01:26:13.400 --> 01:26:16.030

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

For the exam, I'm going to put that on there.

01:26:16.960 --> 01:26:23.930

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Before they exam scheduled time, but due dates June, September 1st and then.

01:26:25.070 --> 01:26:30.920

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Eileen and Carla are both interested in going to the asphaug. Excuse me.

01:26:31.560 --> 01:26:37.010

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

So I'll put that I have you guys listed. We'll find out if you know good details on that.

01:26:37.630 --> 01:26:40.740

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Uh, and, but we're gonna set up a said.

01:26:42.970 --> 01:26:54.280

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

For the Asbag actually I made that a couple times. I'm gonna reach out to ask blog about the October 2023 annual meeting to verify.

01:27:00.550 --> 01:27:01.740

Struthers, James

I think you just cut out.

01:27:02.520 --> 01:27:13.100

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Yeah, sorry I looked up at my paper hit. I set this down and it muted me. I apologize. So I'll start over on that one. Reach out to ask bag about October.

01:27:13.740 --> 01:27:23.450

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

2023 the annual business meeting to get the details, the date, the location and if they you know what kind of support they'll need from us.

01:27:24.220 --> 01:27:27.360

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

And then the next one I have was.

01:27:29.080 --> 01:27:40.630

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

The asbag about the frequency to administer the exam and that also the cost budget to administer the specialty exams. So.

01:27:40.850 --> 01:27:56.700

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

I have, that's another one. And what are the complaints? Are they even substantiated or not? Just see what we can find high level on that for information about what those are and then send out a new draft.

01:27:57.320 --> 01:27:58.110

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

And.

01:27:59.270 --> 01:28:07.220

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Charter draft and we'll have Elizabeth look at it and review it and then we'll send it out to the board to review and then.

01:28:08.810 --> 01:28:14.990

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

And then that will be for Casey and Eileen actually to review. So that's all I got.

01:28:20.270 --> 01:28:24.500

Struthers, James

Does anybody have any any other action items that got missed or?

01:28:22.460 --> 01:28:23.220

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Famous sitting.

01:28:25.270 --> 01:28:26.600

Struthers, James

Something you want to track on the end?

01:28:30.440 --> 01:28:30.830

Struthers, James

No.

01:28:33.440 --> 01:28:35.470

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

Umm, this is star I have.

01:28:35.080 --> 01:28:35.330

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Yeah.

01:28:36.790 --> 01:28:47.820

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

Hey. So you guys wanted me to do a little research from last time and I just I never know where or when the best time is to jump in and talk. But I feel like the next one is public comment and I feel like it should be before that.

01:28:48.630 --> 01:28:48.970

Honeywell, Shari (DOL)

Umm.

01:28:49.100 --> 01:29:03.710

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

So let me pull my thing here so I know it was mentioned that like to try to get maybe five years of data going back to find out the two different categories on the verifiers, right, so.

01:29:04.670 --> 01:29:05.150

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

Umm.

01:29:06.410 --> 01:29:15.720

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

How many times were having to communicate with the board about if this verifier is qualified for an out of state applicant versus an in state applicant so?

01:29:17.360 --> 01:29:34.150

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

I went back through my emails cause everything is kept in email and everything is always put into your retention, but for some reason I'm getting just back through December of 2021. So I figured at least six months of data is probably better than no data so.

01:29:36.110 --> 01:29:36.660

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

Out of.

01:29:38.440 --> 01:29:43.620

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

88 geology applications. So not GIT, just geology applications.

01:29:44.980 --> 01:29:48.410

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

Since December, there was 15 that were comedy.

01:29:49.440 --> 01:29:50.330

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

Reciprocity.

01:29:52.550 --> 01:30:01.680

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

And so out of that data, I only had to go to the board to find out if the verifier was qualified for two comedy applicants.

01:30:03.010 --> 01:30:03.540

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

Umm.

01:30:04.900 --> 01:30:11.390

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

And 17 others like 17 regular in state geology applicants.

01:30:24.660 --> 01:30:43.870

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

I don't know. I don't know what the right word that difficult to for the for them to understand the the laws and the rules kind of like what Carla was saying earlier. Like, can we improve how we're communicating? But yeah. So that's how many times I had to communicate with the board since December. So essentially one kind of exam cycle, half a year.

01:31:05.330 --> 01:31:08.190

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

In state, people are submitting verifiers that.

01:31:11.740 --> 01:31:15.670

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Gray area or questionable because we have licensing law and it's pretty.

01:31:16.900 --> 01:31:21.330

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

It's more black and white if you're an in state applicant and you're experience is in Washington.

01:31:22.530 --> 01:31:33.060

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

So I do find it as an interesting piece of information that they're still in one exam cycle 88 and 17, so roughly 20% of applicants are.

01:31:34.380 --> 01:31:35.260

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Submitting.

01:31:36.920 --> 01:31:38.630

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Verifiers that.

01:31:39.360 --> 01:31:46.650

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Need board review and approval as instead of just people that are licensed and working for people with that license.

01:31:47.430 --> 01:32:11.220

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

So I guess my next thing I could do then is specifically go into those 17 and look like where they went to school because my next thought process is maybe they're out of state. So they you know, when they went to school out of state and they're here now, they wouldn't be considered a comedy applicant because they don't have a license in another state. But essentially maybe they are new to Washington, if you want. I can research those ones and let you guys know.

01:32:13.000 --> 01:32:18.220

Struthers, James

Yeah, that that is an interesting observation, Casey. I mean it, that's not what we not how we thought that that would be.

01:32:13.220 --> 01:32:13.660

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

So that.

01:32:20.570 --> 01:32:20.880

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Right.

01:32:22.340 --> 01:32:28.490

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

And so for clarification, star of those 17 that went to board members for review.

01:32:29.140 --> 01:32:41.260

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

That included transcript review, education, experience review and verifier review. Whether the verifier was qualified, it was those 17 were just whether the verifier was.

01:32:36.230 --> 01:32:36.660

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

No.

01:32:42.570 --> 01:32:43.080

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

Yes.

01:32:43.070 --> 01:32:45.070

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Met the qualifications through your OK.

01:32:45.520 --> 01:33:04.810

Boone, Starleen (DOL)

Yes, exactly. I I cause initially essentially that's what you guys were wondering was just about like the you know the verifier. So I really just tried to break it down to the emails that I sent specifically about verifiers, but again, I didn't think to look at where the applicant came from that just kind of came into my head now is looking like, well, where did they go to school where they add a state.

01:33:08.300 --> 01:33:10.010

Struthers, James
And those are just the.

01:33:10.910 --> 01:33:11.910

Struthers, James
The PG.

01:33:13.200 --> 01:33:14.530

Struthers, James
So as my Part 2.

01:33:15.370 --> 01:33:15.950

Boone, Starleen (DOL)
Correct.

01:33:16.430 --> 01:33:18.180

Struthers, James
And so did you have.

01:33:19.770 --> 01:33:25.030

Struthers, James
Any cases of like engineering geologists for the verifier had to go to the board, or was that pretty clear?

01:33:24.630 --> 01:33:25.070

Boone, Starleen (DOL)
Yes.

01:33:25.910 --> 01:33:36.240

Boone, Starleen (DOL)
Umm, so yeah, I actually did kind of like research that too. So I had to do like one engineering geology verifier and four different hydrogeology verifiers.

01:33:37.510 --> 01:33:39.100

Boone, Starleen (DOL)
To the board in the last six months.

01:33:43.460 --> 01:33:49.730

Struthers, James
So, Carla, I I'm assuming you probably saw those at some point. What what was the lack of clarity?

01:33:50.480 --> 01:33:52.170

Struthers, James
On the verifier for the hydros.

01:33:55.070 --> 01:33:55.680

Struthers, James
Do you remember?

01:33:57.000 --> 01:34:10.150

Carla Brock

I mean, is it? It's it. It seems like it's usually somebody who uses a verifier who doesn't have a hydro license and a lot of times they're out of state just from a state that doesn't have a licensing. That seems to be the most common. And so we have to look at their.

01:34:10.830 --> 01:34:18.880

Carla Brock

Combination of their experience and education to see if they're qualified to, you know, be in responsible charge of Hydrogeologic work.

01:34:20.880 --> 01:34:23.560

Carla Brock

To confirm that the applicant has had that experience.

01:34:24.760 --> 01:34:26.410

Carla Brock

That seems to be the most common one.

01:34:29.850 --> 01:34:32.140

Struthers, James

And that kind of brings up another kind of.

01:34:32.920 --> 01:34:41.570

Struthers, James

Thing I think that we've talked about Casey, is so if you're if the requirement is that you're in responsible charge of geologic work or hydro work.

01:34:42.230 --> 01:34:44.200

Struthers, James

And there's a license for it in the state.

01:34:45.110 --> 01:34:51.720

Struthers, James

And so the practices restricted to those people, I mean that that preclude that seems like it would preclude.

01:34:54.160 --> 01:35:00.870

Struthers, James

OK, cases where you know civil engineers are signing off on experience of a geologist, something like that.

01:35:05.710 --> 01:35:06.970

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

I would say that.

01:35:08.240 --> 01:35:18.950

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

If the practice isn't occurring in Washington, that's where my mind goes. But where? Where it comes to board members for evaluation is when it's.

01:35:14.110 --> 01:35:14.380

Struthers, James

Right.

01:35:19.640 --> 01:35:23.960

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

From one of the other states that that doesn't have that license in that possibility.

01:35:25.460 --> 01:35:37.750

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Again, this is Carl was mentioning. I've had several to review from the engineering geology side that's looking at the education and experience and who is responsible for that work in that state.

01:35:39.290 --> 01:35:40.600

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

And you know then.

01:35:41.320 --> 01:35:49.620

HANELL, CASEY (DNR)

Based on that evaluation, does it meet the same criteria? Basically that you would need to meet in Washington to be qualified.

01:35:48.890 --> 01:35:49.260

Struthers, James

Right.

01:35:50.200 --> 01:35:54.990

Struthers, James

Is it the same kind of work? Is it the same level of expertise or area of expertise?

01:35:56.350 --> 01:35:56.660

Struthers, James

So.

01:35:58.080 --> 01:36:00.030

Struthers, James

OK. Interesting. Well, thank you, Sir.

01:36:03.230 --> 01:36:06.100

Struthers, James

Does anybody have any comment on that or discussion?

01:36:08.840 --> 01:36:09.240

Struthers, James

So.

01:36:12.270 --> 01:36:15.620

Struthers, James

OK, so I think we're down to the public comment.

01:36:17.140 --> 01:36:18.730

Struthers, James

Portion of the meeting I.

01:36:20.010 --> 01:36:24.720

Struthers, James

Do we have any members of the public that would like to speak at this point?

01:36:30.700 --> 01:36:33.060

Struthers, James

I don't know. I believe that is a no.

01:36:35.220 --> 01:36:40.330

Struthers, James

So I hearing none, I'd like to probably adjourn this meeting.

01:36:41.550 --> 01:36:43.070

Struthers, James

It's 1041.

01:36:44.530 --> 01:36:47.340

Struthers, James

If there's no objections from the rest of the board members.