EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
Board of Professional Geologists

Meeting Type: Scheduled General Business/Committee Meeting
Meeting Date: January 23 & 24, 2008
Meeting Loc: Sirata Beach Resort & Conference Center, 5300 Gulf Blvd, St. Pete Beach, Florida 33706

Board Members: Valerie R. Coton, Donald F. McNeill, James W. Pease, Mathew Cain, Tom Scott, Stuart W. Smith, (Chair)

Members Absent: James Funderburk (excused)

Department Staff: Richard “Rick” Morrison (Executive Director)
Stacey Merchant, (Government Analyst I)
Eric Hurst, (Prosecuting Attorney)

Other Attendees: Barbara Edwards, (Board Counsel)

Major Issues/Actions

- The Board reviewed 10 applications for licensure - 3 by endorsement and 7 by examination. The board approved all 3 endorsement application and 6 of the 7 applications by examination.
- The board’s prosecuting attorney recommended that the board revise the definition of “the practice of geology”, because the current definition is too broad. Several examples of the definition of the practice of geology which might narrow the scope of the definition were sent to board members by the prosecuting attorney. The board will make recommendations for language and with further discussion determine if the legislation should be changed or rules developed to be more specific about what defines the practice of geology.
- The Board held elections and the new chairman and vice chairman were elected. James Funderburk was elected as the new board Chairman and Matthew Cain the new Vic-chairman.

Legislation/Rule Promulgation

- None

Next Meeting: April 23-24, 2007 St. Augustine

Richard Morrison,
Executive Director