

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

BOARD OF REGISTRATION

OF

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

AND

PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

SUBMITTED TO

GOVERNOR DIRK KEMPTHORNE

Fiscal Year

2004

December 8, 2004

The Honorable Dirk Kempthorne
Governor of the State of Idaho
Statehouse
Boise, Idaho 83720

Dear Governor Kempthorne:

Pursuant to Section 54-1210 (3) of the Idaho Code, the Board of Registration of Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors has the honor of transmitting to you the following Annual Report of the Board covering activities from July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004.

Please contact us if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS
AND PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

Leslie M. Walker, P.E., Chairman

Scott McClure, P.E., Secretary

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From May 25, 2003 to May 24, 2004

Clyde Porter, PLS, Board ChairBoise

Appointed to the Board 1994. Reappointed to the Board 1999.

Term expires May 24, 2004.

Leslie M. Walker, PE, Vice-Chair..... Pocatello

Appointed to the Board 1995. Reappointed to the Board 2000.

Term expires May 24, 2005.

Gary L. Young, PE/LS, Board Secretary..... Twin Falls

Appointed to the Board 2001. Term expires May 24, 2006.

James H. Milligan, PE, Board Member.....Moscow

Appointed to the Board 1999. Reappointed to the Board 2002.

Term expires May 24, 2007.

Scott McClure, PE, Board Member..... Twin Falls

Appointed to the Board 1998. Reappointed to the Board 2003.

Term expires May 24, 2008.

B O A R D S T A F F

David L. Curtis, PE Executive Director

Jennifer A. Rowe.....Administrative Assistant

Edith Williams..... Office Specialist

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BOARD ACTIVITIES

During the 2004 fiscal year the Board met for five regular meetings, three special meetings and one telephone conference call meeting to conduct Board business, review applications, grant licenses and consider complaints.

As of the end of the fiscal year there were 5,821 Professional Engineers, 600 Professional Land Surveyors, 138 combined Professional Engineer/Professional Land Surveyors, 1,191 Engineers-in-Training, 48 Land Surveyors-in-Training, 1044 engineering and/or land surveying business entities and 397 persons who have elected to take Retired Status. All renewals, except business entities, are on a biennial renewal basis. Business entities renew annually.

Licenses were issued to 304 engineers by comity with other states and to 87 who successfully completed the examination process; 11 land surveyors by comity with other states and to 7 who successfully completed the examination process. There were 229 successful examinees in the Fundamentals of Engineering examination and certificates as Land Surveyors-in-Training were issued to 17 successful examinees in the Fundamentals of Land Surveying examination. In addition, Certificates of Authorization were issued to 145 business entities to perform professional engineering or professional land surveying or both in the State of Idaho.

The Idaho Legislature passed, and Governor Kempthorne signed, House Bill No. 485 which clarified various aspects of the chapter of Idaho Code addressing the licensing of engineers and surveyors. House Bill No. 484 was also passed and signed. It clarified certain aspects of the requirements of Records of Survey. The Board adopted changes to its Administrative Rules which clarified that technology programs are not considered the same as engineering programs; mandated a minimum amount of surveying education for examination candidates in the surveying profession; precluded a failing candidate from reviewing an examination for exam security reasons; and recognized the equivalency of education from certain programs outside the United States. One

Administrative Rule addressing the relationship between a license holder and a client was rejected by the Legislature at the Board's request in order that the Board could better explain to license holders the background and justification for the proposed rule.

The Board received a total of 21 complaints against engineers, land surveyors, business entities and unlicensed persons in fiscal year 2004 and 5 were carried over from previous years. Of these 26 complaints, 11 were dismissed or terminated without consent agreements or formal hearings and 10 were pending resolution at the end of the fiscal year. Four complaints were closed following issuance of Final Orders of the Board accepting Consent Agreements which resulted in the admonishment of four license holders and the deposit of \$1,500.00 in Administrative Penalties to the General Fund of the State of Idaho. The Board obtained a permanent injunction against one unlicensed person restraining him from practicing engineering in Idaho.

In fulfilling its Strategic Plan, the Board published a quality News Bulletin and distributed it to its license and certificate holders as well as a number of public officials. The Board Members and staff participated in or made presentations to 47 groups or organizations to explain the function of the Board or further the mission of the agency. The Board undertook a study of its enforcement and disciplinary activities and is pursuing changes to assure effective and just administration. Agency personnel have been cross-trained to minimize the effect of absences or changes in personnel and a Satisfaction Survey indicates that over 98 percent of those to whom we provide applications are satisfied with our services. The Board sponsored workshops on surveying matters at five locations throughout the state and they were well attended and well received.

STATE OF IDAHO
BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND PROFESSIONAL LAND
SURVEYORS
July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004 (Fiscal Year 2004)

Summary of Receipts

CERTIFICATE, APPLICATION, COMITY AND RENEWAL FEES	\$426,741.00
SALE OF PRINTED MATTER	0.00
PENALTIES (INCLUDING \$1,500 DEPOSITED TO THE GENERAL FUND)	17,756.00
SALE OF CAPITAL ASSETS	125.00
REFUNDS (operating expense) AND RENTAL INCOME	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUE	\$444,622.00

Expenditures Including Encumbrances from Previous Year

PERSONNEL COSTS	\$187,592.68
Salaries and Wages, Personnel Benefits	
OPERATING EXPENSES	186,615.66
Travel, Professional Services, Other Services	
Communications, Materials and Supplies, Rentals,	
Repairs and Maintenance, Misc. Operating	
CAPITAL OUTLAY	<u>5,819.82</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$380,028.16

Summary of Operations

Free Fund Cash Balance as of July 1, 2003	\$ 399,087.55
Add: Encumbrances Carried Forward from FY 2003	<u>0.00</u>
Fund Balance	\$ 399,087.55
Add: Revenues	\$ 444,622.00
Less Amount Deposited to General Fund	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total to account for	<u>\$842,209.55</u>
Less: Expenditures Including Encumbrances from Previous Year	<u>\$380,028.16</u>
Fund Balance as of June 30, 2004	\$462,181.39
Less: Encumbrances Carried Forward to FY 2005	0.00
Free Fund Cash Balance as of June 30, 2004	\$ 462,181.39