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Mission

The mission of the Oregon State Board of Examiners for Engineering & Land Surveying (OSBEELS) is to regulate the practice of engineering, land surveying, photogrammetric mapping, and water right certification in the state as they relate to the welfare of the public in safeguarding life, health and property.

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On the cover: The Astoria-Megler Bridge

The Astoria-Megler Bridge is a steel cantilever bridge that spans the Columbia River, connecting the towns of Astoria, Oregon and Megler, Washington. It is the longest continuous truss bridge in North America (spanning over 4 miles). The bridge was completed in 1966 and was the final segment of U.S. Route 101 connecting California and Washington.

Upcoming at OSBEELS:

July 8: Board Meeting

August 1: Symposium Registration Opens

August 14-15 : Committee Meetings

September 9: Board Meeting

[Download the full 2025 OSBEELS Calendar here.](#)



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Director's Corner

From the desk of Jason Barbee, Board Administrator & Agency Director

Over the past few months, I had the opportunity to attend two outstanding events: the Professional Engineers of Oregon (PEO) Annual Conference and Future Engineers Day, hosted by the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE). Both were incredibly valuable experiences.

We hosted a booth at the Future Engineers Day event and connected with hundreds of high school

students, sharing the many benefits of professional licensure. It was inspiring to see so many young Oregonians passionate about pursuing careers in engineering.

The in-person PEO Annual Conference, in particular, stood out once again as a top-tier event. As I've said before, if you're an engineer and haven't yet attended a PEO Annual Meeting, you're missing out on a truly rewarding

opportunity for networking and professional growth. I highly encourage you to consider joining next year's conference—you won't regret it.

Last October, OSBEELS welcomed Scott English to the Board as our newest Public Member. Scott brings with him over 30 years of experience working with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Join us in welcoming Scott to the Board!



Meet OSBEELS

Benny Receptionist

How long have you worked for OSBEELS?

Almost 8 months!

What do you enjoy about your job?

Tackling issues for the registrants; troubleshooting problems and hearing their worry dissipate is easily the best part. Licensure is incredibly important to every registrant, and knowing I've made a difference is a great feeling.

What is your favorite place in Oregon?

I'm quite fond of the McDonald-Dunn Research forest, stewarded by OSU Forestry students and professors. Not only is it a display of biodiversity, but a place of solace and true beauty. I also saw a cougar there once, so pretty rad.

What are some of your hobbies?

Hiking for sure – also gold panning, reading, D&D, and creating art.



From the viewpoint of your role, can you share some reminders or tips for our registrants?

When Renewal time comes, uploading a spreadsheet of your Professional Development Hours is much faster and easier than entering each one line by line; many of our Licensees use their NCEES PDH Tracker, or even a simple Excel spreadsheet. Don't forget to enter a summary of your hours in the "Add PDH" section of your renewal application. You are able to renew 90 days before expiration, so get ahead of the curve, and always remember we're here to help!



Help us help you!!

Speaking Engagements:

Do you have a meeting or event in Oregon involving engineers, land surveyors, water right examiners, or photogrammetrists? We are available to give presentations on who we are and what we do, including how the licensure process works. We're also happy to set up an informational booth and be available during your event to answer any OSBEELS related questions.

Continuing Education Opportunities:

How are you earning your PDHs toward your biennial renewal? Send us opportunities that we can share on our webpage and in our Examiner newsletter of learning opportunities for our professionals. We want to help everyone keep up on those continuing education requirements.

Photos of Your Work:

We invite you to share your work experiences with the OSBEELS community! We're looking for photos of noteworthy projects, monuments, or work site locations that you think others will appreciate. They may be featured in future issues of the Examiner as well as our social media pages.

Send your event info, learning opportunities, and work photos (.jpg or .png format preferred) to our Communications Coordinator, Ashlee Graybeal at ashlee.d.graybeal@osbeels.oregon.gov

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WATER RESOURCES
DEPARTMENT

A Note from the Oregon Water Resources Department (OWRD):

OWRD is happy to announce we will be continuing the CWRE workshops! Please keep an eye on your mail - we are sending out letters to all CWREs with instructions on updating their contact information. OWRD is working towards being paperless, so it's important to follow the instructions and update your information, including a current email address. Watch for updates in the *OSBEELS Examiner* and on their [website](#) as well, as we start sending out registration packets for this year!

Continuing Education Opportunities

Water Environment School 2025

June 24-26, 2025

Virtual or Clackamas Community College

<https://orwefwes.com/wes-2025>

2025 OSBEELS Symposium

September 25-26, 2025 (virtual)

OSU has setup a listserv for interested parties to receive updates on future workshop offerings. Feel free to sign up at the link below, and they promise not to spam you!

[OSU Geomatics News Listserv Sign Up](#)

OSU Workshop: GNSS & Geodesy

September 4-5, 2025

Owen Hall @ Oregon State University

Corvallis, OR

<https://gcapgeospatial.org/workshop-gnssgeodesy>

OSU Workshop: Intro to Reality Capture

September 11-12, 2025

Owen Hall @ Oregon State University

Corvallis, OR

<https://gcapgeospatial.org/workshop-realitycapture>

OSU Workshop: Oregon Survey Law

August 21-22, 2025

Owen Hall @ Oregon State University

Corvallis, OR

<https://blogs.oregonstate.edu/orslw>

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Confluence

2025 OSBEELS Symposium

September 25-26

Registration Opens August 1st



The May Board meeting was held at Oregon State's Kearney Hall.



