



## COLORADO

### Division of Water Resources

Department of Natural Resources

Board of Examiners of Water Well and  
Ground Heat Exchanger Contractors

## NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS AGENDA

**Date**            October 7, 2025

**Location**      Hybrid In Person/Virtual Meeting

In Person:        1313 Sherman Street, Room 318, Denver, CO 80203

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### Oral Examinations (In-Person or Virtual) - updated 9/22/25

8:00 am - Jacob Crouse, Archer City, TX, Air and Mud Rotary Well Construction Methods;  
Special License for Sonic Drilling Methods for Monitoring Well Construction (virtual  
examination only)

8:30 am - Eric Stedman, Colorado Springs, CO, Special License for Monitoring Well  
Construction - (Augering and Monitoring; Including Sonic Drilling Methods) (virtual  
examination only)

### Regular Meeting      **9:00 am**


Chair - Christopher Sanchez, PG

Vice Chair - John Hunyadi, PE - DNR

The Board may refer any item contained or discussed under an agenda item to Agenda Item 19  
for discussion in Executive Session

1. Call to Order
2. Introduce Geothermal Board Member - Terry Proffer, CGD
3. Establish a Quorum
4. Review Agenda
  - a. Combine 16.c. with 12.b.
  - b. Footnote for 12.c.
5. Distribute [Google Form](#) to Attendees to sign-in and request public comment,
6. Approval of previous meeting minutes
  - a. August 5, 2025



7. Report from the State Engineer's Office
8. Report from the Water Quality Control Division
9. Report from Board Members
  - a. Opportunity for any Board Member to give updates
10. Report from the CWWCA Liaison
11. Staff Report -
  - a. Update on Examination and Licensing Activities - updated 9/19/25
    - i. Current contractors - 246, Lapsed contractors - 8
    - ii. 2 Licensing Applicants (since last BOE meeting 8/5/25) - approved applications 1, pending applications 1 (followed up with 3 applications not approved Brad Butler, Justin Martin, Jordan Taylor)
    - iii. Will send out 2026 contractor licensing renewal packets in mid-November
  - b. Continuing Education Update - updated 9/29/2025
    - i.  2025 CE Log of Courses - total of 66 courses/meetings to date (40 online, 26 in person)
    - ii. 3 pending CE courses - Western Colorado Water & Wastewater Conference; Rocky Mountain Groundwater Conference, NGWA Groundwater Week
  - c. Well Inspection Program
    - i. Inspection Program Staffing - Don Fuorrry, Div 1-2 Well Inspector
    - ii. Well Permit Counts
    - iii. Well Inspection Report
    - iv. Variance Report
12. Variance Requests - (Request: Approval, Approval with Modifications to Request, Approval with Requirements for Correction/Repair, Request Additional Details and Reconsider at a Later Date, Denial, Denial with Requirements for Correction/Repair, or Denial with Requirements to Abandon Existing Well/Hole)
  - a. George Stewart, Lic 1286, Permit [84879-F](#), Well Abandonment Variance - Request Variance to Rule 16.2 to Leave Stuck Pumping Equipment in Well, Not Perforate at Confining Layer, and to Place Cement Grout Via Tremie to as Deep as Possible Due to Stuck Pumping Equipment.
  - b. Jim Hale, Lic 1466, Permit [89975-F](#), Variance Request for Repair of Leaking Well Casing with Swage Patch and Sealant (10.3, 10.3.3.a) - Staff Requests Board Consider this Item and Agenda Item 16.c Together.
  - c. Matt Beeman, Lic 1374, Permit 19283-G, Geothermal Rule Variance Request for use of Rotating Head as Blowout Preventer (Geothermal Rule 8.2.3)<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The State Engineer currently has the authority to issue variances to the Geothermal Rules, Staff will not be asking the Board to approve this variance, but would like to discuss the topic with the Board.

13. Review of Active Complaints and Settlement Recommendations

a. Requested Board Action

- i. 25-BC-006, Justin Scherer, Permit [321018](#), Unlicensed Individual Submitted and Signed GWS-32 for Work Performed by Well Owner, Inaccurate Information on Work Report. Request Board Allow CWI to Discontinue Investigation.
- ii. 25-BC-008, David Lawson, Fred Day/Travis Day Allege Signature on GWS-68 Submitted by Mr. Lawson to State Engineer is a Forgery. Request Board Allow CWI to Discontinue Investigation and Defer Pursuit of Mr. Lawson to Rio Blanco County Sheriff Dept.
- iii. 25-BC-010, Jacob Hill / JDs Excavating, Unlicensed Contractor, Advertisement for Well and Pumping Equipment Repair and Installation; Installation of Pumping Equipment without a License. Request Board Refer Complaint to AG to Pursue Unlicensed Contractor for \$2000 Monetary Penalty, Attorneys Fees, and Injunction in District Court against future advertising or work requiring license by the Board.

b. Status Updates

- i. 25-BC-009, Dustin Hathorn, Lic 1562, Permits [192260](#) and [337705](#) - Working While License Suspended, Working While License Lapsed, Violations of Construction Rules and Admin Rules; Update on Hearing Schedule.
- ii. 23-BC-030 and 25-BC-012, Ray Newmyer, Permit [321914](#); Submittal of Inaccurate Information on Multiple Work Reports; Pump Installation Standard Violations; Update on Hearing Schedule
- iii. 24-BC-038, Howard Crandall Jr, Lic No. 1229, Permit [318158](#), Type I Multiple Confined Aquifer Constructed as a Type I Single Confined Aquifer Well, Inadequate grout through Interval required by 10.4.5.2.c and Inadequate Steel Casing in Interval required by 10.5.4.2.b, Untimely Submittal of Work Reports 17.3, Inaccurate Information on Work Report 17.2 and 17.4.
- iv. 25-BC-020, Howard Crandall Jr, Lic No. 1229, Permit [332221](#), Type I Single Confined Aquifer Constructed as a Type II Aquifer Well, Inadequate Grout at Confining Layer 10.4.5.1.c, Inadequate Annular Space in Required Grouted Interval 10.4.4, PVC used as Surface Casing 10.3.1.

14. Report from the Attorney General's Office

- a. John Newman Attorney General Report - This is a background briefing on legal issues in the written report.

15. Old Business

a. Well Construction Rule Changes


- i. "Grace Period" for projects contracted/bid under old rules
- ii. Staff evaluating if any corrections are needed before January

b. Review/Approve By-laws

- c. BOE Administrative Rules
  - i. DRAFT Comment Solicitation Form?
  - ii. Stakeholder Meeting - CWWCA Annual Meeting January 7-9, 2026
  - iii. Contracting for Services that can only be Performed by a Licensed Contractor to be considered by AGO in conjunction with BOE Admin Rules
- 16. New Business
  - a. Cody Thomas (Owners Agent), Permit [23219-MH](#), Appeal of Denial of Conversion of Monitoring and Observation Hole to a Production Well under Receipt No. 10043784
  - b. Mark Kister & Colorado River Engineering, Inc. Application to convert a monitoring well constructed under [21327-MH](#) to a water production well. Staff Opinion of Construction Has Not Changed Since Previous Denial; Deferral to Board for Evaluation of Construction Information for Monitoring Well Conversion to Production Well
  - c. Permit [89975-F](#), Possible Grout Issues Made Evident by Leakage Through Weld and Volume Calculations from Cementer Report; Staff Request Board Order Cement Bond Log and/or Order for Repairs.
  - d. BOE Bulletin 2025-A Construction of Wells in the Upper Laramie Aquifer
  - e. Tim Davis, Contractor Application, All Drilling Methods and Pump Installation Methods. Request Board Input on Application Suitability and Review
- 17. [Public Comment \(Click Here to Sign Up\)](#)
- 18. Board Training HB18-1198 Best Practices for Boards and Commissions
  - a. [Draft BOE Policy 2019-1 Amended](#)
  - b. [Board Member Training Manual](#) - Best Practices for State Boards and Commissions
- 19. [Future Meetings](#)
  - a. Tuesday, December 2, 2025, 1313 Sherman St., Room 318 & Online
  - b. BOE Administrative Rulemaking Stakeholder Meeting
    - i. Thurs or Fri, January 8 or 9, 2026,  
Delta Hotels Denver Thornton, 10 E 120th Ave, Northglenn, CO 80233
  - c. Tuesday, February 3, 2026, 1313 Sherman St., Room 318 & Online
- 20. Executive Session (if needed)
  - a. Douglas Hasser et. al.: 23-BC-032
  - b. Daniel Weber; 25-BC-001
  - c. Dustin Hathorn; 25-BC-009
  - d. Ray Newmyer; 25-BC-012 and 23-BC-030
- 21. Report from Executive Session
- 22. Adjournment

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