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Attachment C

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Todd G. Beers, PLS
Professional Land Surveyors of Colorado-President
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Greenwood Village, CO 80111

Re: Continuing Education for Professional Land Surveyors

Dear Mr. Beers:

On behalf of the National Society of Professional Surveyors (NSPS) I am writing to you to express our support of the initiative to establish mandatory continuing education/professional development standards for Professional Surveyors in Colorado.

Learning is a life-long experience. Continuing to learn is inevitable, and one hopes that the lessons learned help us to adjust to the ever-changing arenas in which we function.

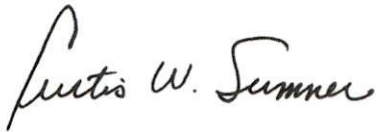
The active pursuit of continuing to learn is especially essential in fields of endeavor that are dramatically affected by rapid changes in technology, applicable law, standards, and areas of practice. The profession of surveying is among these fields.

In some areas of the country, continuing education for Professional Surveyors is important because the availability of post-secondary educational opportunities have not always been as readily available as they are today for those entering the surveying profession. However, regardless of prerequisite educational opportunities and requirements for licensure, the factors noted above are among those requiring that Professional Surveyors maintain currency in their knowledge base throughout their entire career.

The National Society of Professional Surveyors (NSPS) has long endorsed the concept of continuing education for Professional Surveyors. The essential nature of continuing education for surveyors has also been recognized by the vast majority of the licensing boards within the 50 states, as is reflected in their respective statutes governing the practice of surveying. NSPS is not aware of any evidence that the implementation of continuing education requirements has resulted in undue costs being incurred by the state licensing boards. In fact, the respective state surveying societies relieve the licensing boards from the burden of providing the required educational opportunities to licensees by holding workshops at various times throughout each year.

NSPS encourages any board of regulation that is considering the benefits of establishing a continuing education requirement to do so, and to work with the state and national surveying organizations to assure its effectiveness and perpetuation.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Curtis W. Sumner". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Curtis W. Sumner, LS
Executive Director