Information regarding changes to the NCEES Principles and Practice of Surveying (PS) Examination

The National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) transitioned the Principles and Practice of Surveying (PS) exam to computer-based testing (CBT) effective October 1, 2016. **The PS exam is no longer offered in pencil-and-paper format.**

The new computer-based PS exam allows for year-round testing at approved Pearson VUE test centers. This gives examinees the freedom to pick the exam time, date, and location. The new format includes a digital PS Reference Handbook. Examinees will receive their results 7–10 days after the exam. To learn more about the transition, please visit the NCEES website, http://ncees.org/exams/ps-exam/

Exam candidates **must** apply with the SC Board for approval to take the PS exam. Before registering with NCEES for an exam, you must have approval from the Board.

Visit the "Applications and Forms" section of our website, http://www.llr.state.sc.us/POL/Engineers/index.asp?file=pub.htm to apply. If you have already submitted an application and are requesting to **retake** the exam, please email the Board office at Contact.EngLS@llr.sc.gov.

The South Carolina State-Specific Surveying (SS) Exam will be administered in pencil-and-paper format for the April 21, 2017 administration, and will be proctored by Board staff in Columbia, S.C. at the Board office.

The Board is working to transition the State-Specific Surveying exam to computer-based format in the fall of 2017.