

# Metes and Bounds

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## Hotel Room Rate Discount at Convention Ends Sept 13th

### Plus ... Latest In Event News and Information!

**T**he 60th TSPS Annual Convention & Technology Exposition is racing toward us, and so are many of the attendee deadlines to keep in mind.

Staying at the convention's host hotel ... the Embassy Suites Dallas-Frisco Hotel, Convention Center & Spa ... is the most convenient way to take part in convention. But you must reserve your room by midnight Monday, Sept. 12 to receive this year's special room rate. For the \$150 room rate, you get a cooked-to-order breakfast and a Manager's Reception each evening. And remember ... all rooms are suites!

You can call 1-972-712-7200 to reserve your



room (mention the TSPS room block) or make your reservations online at visit <http://www.embassysuitesfrisco.com> to reserve your room online. When you enter the dates for your stay, a section will appear where you can type in the group code **FES**. That code gives you the group rate. Although rooms remain at the Embassy Suites, don't delay making your reservation and missing out on a fantastic stay at this year's con-

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**Latest on 2011 TSPS Convention & Technology Exposition - Hotel Discount Ending, Speaker News, and More**

**Strategic Planning & Third Quarterly Board Meeting**

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**TSPS New Members - July**

**TSPS Sustaining Members**



*Bart Barnett, Engineering Instructor at Duncanville High School and head of SkillsUSA Texas District 6, addresses TSPS chapter presidents Aug. 27.*

## Planning for the Future

### New challenges face land surveyors in 2012

**T**SPS members met Aug. 26 and 27 in Waco to conduct association business and map a path to travel in the upcoming year through Strategic Planning sessions.

A common theme throughout the coming year's endeavors centers on the emerging and burgeoning GIS community ... throughout Texas and the world. TSPS President-Elect Davey Edwards expressed his interest in addressing proactively this huge group of professionals through the efforts of many TSPS committees. For example, the Membership Committee will pay added attention to the recruitment and retention of GIS professionals through our Geospatial Member-

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# PR Committee Report Highlights

Check out the latest report from the TSPS Public Relations Committee, and view all of the most recent chapter and committee reports at <http://www.tsp.org>:

The **Public Relations Committee** has a general mission of publicly representing the Society, promoting the Society and profession, and supporting Society Chapters and the Board of Directors. The Committee reports the following activities since the last Report was submitted in May of 2011:

- Sub Committee Reports: Trig\*Star and SkillsUSA reports are attached, having been submitted respectively by Chairman Bob Lupher (Trig\*Star) and Chairman Jamie Gillis (Skill-sUSA). It is important to note that Bob Lupher has informed all parties that he will be stepping down from Trig\*Star in August at the conclusion of this year's Trig\*Star activities, and will hand off all associated materials to the new incoming Chairman at the October Annual Convention. Bob has done an outstanding job for TSPS in this endeavor, and Texas has enjoyed great success during the past several years. As a Public Relations activity, TSPS has garnered a wealth of publicity both within Texas and across the nation. Bob will be missed.

- The Annual TSPS Teachers Retreat was sponsored this year by Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi and the US Department of Agriculture. Sub Committee Chairman Dr. Stacey Lyle reports that the Workshop event, held June 12-14 at the Conrad Blutcher Institute for Surveying and Science at the Texas A&M-CC campus, focused on attracting students into the surveying and geospatial profession. Teachers, faculty, and current A&M students worked to publish a report for TSPS and USDA to use to help attract surveying students. The Workshop is scheduled to run for the next 3 years, and is fully funded without any request for TSPS funds. Tyler JC will host the 2012 Teachers Retreat, independent of the planned Workshop at TAMU-CC.

- The 2011 High School Survey and Mapping Camp was held 5/9-5/11 at Tyler JC. Chapter 4 does an outstanding job of staffing volunteers for the survey activities and providing meals to the attendees, besides promoting surveying to students. Their steady and unwavering commitment to Tyler JC is an example for others.

- The Committee arranged for TSPS to attend and present an 8 hour workshop at the TIVA Summer Conference in Corpus Christi on July 28. Bill Coleman was the main Presenter, and

# Update on Unified Organization

*(This article first appeared in the NSPS News With Views publication.)*

It has been seven weeks since the ACSM Congress voted to disband and the NSPS began the process to create a new "unified organization" that would represent the broad definition of the "Professional Surveyor". Many of you have asked if anything has been done to begin this process.

Let me tell you what has been accomplished and what goals have been set.

1. A Strategic Planning Committee has been appointed to conduct a financial analysis of our existing organizations and make recommendations for new membership categories and rates within the new organization. The committee is comprised of representatives from all of the member organizations and chaired by Pat Smith (TX), Chair of the NSPS Board of Governors. This committee has been asked to complete its mission by the end of September to enable a budget to be prepared and dues notices for next year to be mailed.
2. The combined Membership Committee/Member Benefits Committee/Public Relations Committee has been directed to review all of the current benefits being offered to the membership to determine the perceived value of these benefits. They are to recommend what benefits should continue, what needs to be modified or discarded, or new benefits that need to be added. They too have been asked to complete their study by the end of September.
3. Executive Director Curt Sumner and staff had a preliminary discussion with our accounting firm of Gelman, Rosenberg, and Freedman to discuss the financial impacts of our reorganization and the reporting to the IRS.
4. The NSPS Executive Committee has directed Executive Director Sumner to request a proposal from the law firm of Weinberg, Jacobs, and Tolani for legal services related to the combining of the affected organizations.
5. The NSPS Executive Committee is waiting for the final financials from the Survey Summit to determine what financial steps will be necessary to complete the current fiscal year and plan the 2012 budget.

Work is progressing. We are working at a deliberate pace as we proceed. There are still many things to do before we can complete our objective and we do not want to blindly plunge headlong into the unknown.

We have started the journey to a new organization where we want all professional surveyors to be a member. We ask for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Bill Coleman, PLS GISP  
NSPS President

was assisted by Sharon Coleman, Jamie Gillis, and Chris Freeman. Besides information about TSPS, surveying careers, and the Skills USA surveying activities the attendees were provided hands on instruction utilizing levels and total stations. TIVA is a high school vocational educators organization that has many potential opportunities for TSPS to explore. The course evaluations submitted by attendees were all highly complimentary of the presentation, and the Committee will follow up to get any interested attendees connected with local TSPS Chapters. Duncannonville High School teacher and Skills USA leader Barton Burnett was instrumental in assisting the Committee with this event. Dr. Lyle assisted by providing several survey instruments for the hands on demonstrations.

- The Committee has made arrangements for TSPS to participate in the General Land Office's

"Save Texas History" event. The event will be held in Austin in October, and the Capital Area Chapter has agreed to staff the TSPS booth with volunteers. Committee budget funded the \$500.00 sponsorship fee.

- Skills USA sub Committee Chairman Jamie Gillis has been active in taking the necessary steps for TSPS to become more involved and influential as an industrial partner of the Skills USA organization. This will enable TSPS to serve as a direct advisor, and have greater influence over the direction of any survey related efforts.

Respectfully submitted to the Board of Directors,

Christopher R. Freeman  
Chairman, Public Relations Committee  
August 5, 2011

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# Convention Happenings ...

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vention and tech expo!

## First Class Education Offerings

TSPS has earned a stellar reputation for its annual lineup of course and keynote speakers, and this year's lineup is no different. Dr. Jan Van Sickle will deliver the Thursday morning (Oct. 6) Keynote address prior to the Annual Meeting, as well as teach the Geomatics and GIS class slated for Friday morning. Dr. Van Sickle is author of three books, online education courses, is a Senior Lecturer in GNSS and GPS Modernization at Penn State and president of Van Sickle LLC in Denver, Colorado. He is a Registered Professional Land Surveyor in: Colorado, California, Oregon, North Dakota and Texas.



Dr. Jan Van Sickle

The Friday Annual Luncheon Speaker is none other than Byron Johnson, Executive Director of the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame & Museum. Mr. Johnson and the Ranger Museum have been friends of TSPS and Texas surveyors for many years now, especially after teaming with the TSPS Historical Committee to create a land surveying exhibit at the museum in Waco.

*Special Note: Surveyor, speaker, course developer and former Texas Surveyor of the Year (2009) Fred Crawford will replace James Noble Johnson as instructor of the Professional Ethics in Land Surveying course, slated for Friday morning (Oct. 7).*

Also, because of the tremendous interest in the Professional Ethics in Land Surveying course, the hotel has agreed to expand the room size and allow more attendees for that Friday morning course. This Ethics course, along with Saturday morning's TBPLS Act & Rules class, meet the new licensing board requirement for 3 hours of continuing education in either of these two areas. If you wish to attend either class, don't wait any longer to register ... go to [www.tsp.org](http://www.tsp.org) and sign up online! Eventually, the class size maximums will be reached and registration closed for those courses.

## Embassy Suites Perfect for Families

Every room is a suite at the Embassy Suites Dallas-Frisco Hotel, so make sure you bring your families to next month's Convention & Tech Expo!

Spouses not already signed up for TSPS Auxiliary events can do so at [www.tsp.org](http://www.tsp.org) or by visiting the TSPS Registration desk. Join with other Auxiliary members in a worthy community service project on Thursday, Oct. 6 making baby blankets for a local hospital. The Auxiliary will also take a bus Friday morning to McKinney to explore downtown and the many shops and sights. Lunch is included. Saturday's Business meeting has a '50s "Soda Shop Party" theme, so plan to stop by and join the fun. For more information about TSPS Auxiliary, contact Angela Strong at [angelastrong@yahoo.com](mailto:angelastrong@yahoo.com).

And don't forget the other special events slated for this year's annual meeting. Frisco Lakes Golf Club hosts the annual **TSPS Golf Tournament** Wednesday, Oct. 5, while Elm Fork Shooting Sports is this year's location for a **Five Stand Challenge** for shooting enthusiasts.



A huge buzz surrounds this year's **Friday Night Event** at Strikz Entertainment, just two miles from the host hotel. Surveyors can challenge friends and colleagues in a **bowling tournament** or take them on in a "Last Man Standing" lazer tag challenge! Oh, and don't forget the "Taste of Mexico" buffet and all-you-can-drink soft drinks (full cash bar open too) available at the event. At just \$45 per ticket, this is the best Friday Night Event in years!

Strikz Entertainment

So don't delay ... sign up now for your favorite courses and special events at [www.tsp.org](http://www.tsp.org), and get your suite at Embassy Suites Dallas-Frisco Hotel before the TSPS discount ends!



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# 2011 TSPS Convention and Technology Exposition

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October 5-8, 2011

Register for classes online at [www.tsp.org](http://www.tsp.org)

## Attendee Information (One form per attendee. Please print or type.)

Special Assistance Required

TSPS Member# \_\_\_\_\_ (required for member discount) RPLS# \_\_\_\_\_ PE# \_\_\_\_\_

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Auxiliary Member Name (first) \_\_\_\_\_ (last) \_\_\_\_\_

## Registration Fees (please check one)

Time	Name	Description	Member	Non-Member
<input type="checkbox"/> All Days	RPLS Full Registration	All educational sessions/Exhibit Hall	260	475
<input type="checkbox"/> One Day	RPLS Friday Only	All educational sessions Friday and Exhibit Hall	185	280
<input type="checkbox"/> One Day	RPLS Saturday Only	All educational sessions Saturday and Exhibit Hall	230	375
<input type="checkbox"/> All Days	Paraprofessional	Educational sessions marked with <b>** NO CEUs</b> given for this admission price	45	150
<input type="checkbox"/> All Days	Exhibits Only	Admission to Exhibit Hall only (Badges required)	25	25

## Events & Educational Sessions

	Cost	Total
<input type="checkbox"/> Registration Fee (from above)		= _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Course Proceedings/Materials (Note: Free web access to materials available, with link provided, in confirmation letter)	Printed version of session materials \$25 Member   \$50 Non-Member	= _____

### Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011

<input type="checkbox"/> 10:00 a.m.	Five Stand (shotgun) Competition	No. of Tickets __ @ _____	50 ea	= _____
<input type="checkbox"/> 11:00 a.m.	TSPS Golf Tournament	No. of Tickets __ @ _____	80 ea	= _____

### Thursday, Oct. 6, 2011

<input type="checkbox"/> 5:00 p.m.	Chapter Presidents Orientation	No. of Tickets __ @ _____	no charge	= _____
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### Friday, Oct. 7, 2011

<input type="checkbox"/> 8:00 a.m.	<b>**Professional Ethics in Land Surveying (4 CEUs)</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> 8:00 a.m.	Floodplain Management and the FEMA National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) (4 CEUs)			
<input type="checkbox"/> 8:00 a.m.	Geomatics and GIS (4 CEUs)			
<input type="checkbox"/> 12:30 p.m.	TSPS Annual Luncheon	No. of Tickets __ @ _____	45 ea	= _____
<input type="checkbox"/> 6:30 p.m.	Bowling & Lazer Tag! ... Friday Night Event "Taste of Mexico" Buffet Included!	No. of Tickets __ @ _____	45 ea	= _____

ENTER ME IN THE BOWLING TOUNEY – No. of participants \_\_\_\_\_

### Saturday, Oct. 8, 2011

<input type="checkbox"/> 7:30 a.m.	<b>**TBPLS Act and Rules (4 CEUs)</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> 7:30 a.m.	Utility Right-of-Way Law and Easements (4 CEUs)			
<input type="checkbox"/> 7:30 a.m.	ACSM/ALTA Standards Update (4 CEUs)			
<input type="checkbox"/> 7:30 a.m.	Study Session for Both RPLS & SIT Candidates (0 CEUs)		no charge	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1:30 p.m.	Surveying in Public Land States (4 CEUs)			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1:30 p.m.	Texas Laws for Professional Land Surveyors (4 CEUs)			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1:30 p.m.	<b>**ALTA/ACSM Standards (Field) (4 CEUs)</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Paraprofessionals must pay an additional \$50 per course NOT marked with **</b>	No. of Courses __ @ _____	50 ea	= _____
<input type="checkbox"/> 7:00 p.m.	TSPS Awards Gala	No. of Tickets __ @ _____	60 ea	= _____

## Auxiliary Events & Registration Fees

<input type="checkbox"/>	Auxiliary Annual Membership Dues (required for Auxiliary Events)		10	= _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Auxiliary Registration (includes Exhibit Hall admission)		25	= _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thursday 9:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Making Baby Blankets for Local Hospital	No. of Tickets __ @ _____	25	= _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Friday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Exploring Downtown McKinney! (Lunch Included)	No. of Tickets __ @ _____	30	= _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Saturday 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Fabulous 50's Soda Shop Party & Business Mtg	No. of Tickets __ @ _____	35	= _____

**AUXILIARY Total** = \_\_\_\_\_

### Mail or fax this form to:

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Phone: 512-327-7871 Fax: 512-327-7872

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# Ideas and Action ... 2011 Strategic Planning

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ship category. The Membership Committee will have a booth at next month's Convention in Frisco to address the many categories of membership in the society, including the Geospatial category.

Among other goals, the Public Relations Committee is tasked with getting the word out, to TSPS members and the public, about the relationship land surveyors have with the GIS community.

The Governmental Affairs Committee will work closely with NSPS (National Society of Professional Surveyors) on the ongoing Lightsquared - GPS threat (read more on this issue at <http://www.tsp.org> and visit the national <http://www.saveourgps.org> web page as well). And if you have a special interest in GIS, please contact the TSPS GIS Committee, chaired by Jack Avis, at [javis@baker-aicklen.com](mailto:javis@baker-aicklen.com).

Following compilation of the strategic plan hammered out last month, watch for its publication soon in *The Texas Surveyor* magazine and online at <http://www.tsp.org>.

## Board Reports Now Due

Chapter Presidents and Committee Chairs should send in their annual reports to the TSPS office prior to the final Board meeting of the year Oct. 6 at 8 a.m. Please email your reports no later than September 15. President John Watson has stressed the importance of having year end reports and a final accounting of the charges from the Horizon sheets. We're striving for 100% compliance!

## Partnering with SkillsUSA



*SkillsUSA Sub-Committee Chair Jamie Gillis (left) presents a check to Bart Burnett of Duncanville HS during the Chapter Presidents Forum Aug. 27 in Waco. Dallas Chapter 5 made a \$500 contribution to the SkillsUSA program, which was matched by the TSPS SkillsUSA sub-committee.*



*SkillsUSA Sub-Committee Chair Jamie Gillis (left) and GIS Committee Chair Jack Avis.*



*The TSPS Governmental Affairs Committee discussed 2012 strategic goals Aug. 26 in Waco.*





*TSPS President John Watson (standing) opened the Strategic Planning session Aug. 26 with a look back at this past year's Strategic Plan and the status of committee charges related to the plan.*



*TSPS President-Elect Davey Edwards led this year's Strategic Planning session. Included on his agenda for the day was a presentation by Desiree Hurst, who shared her "Value of the Land Surveying Profession" Masters thesis results with attendees.*



*Definable goals, with hard deadlines, have been a feature of recent Strategic Planning sessions. TSPS committees are working now to aggressively meet short and long-term goals proposed at these planning meetings.*

# Coming Events

## OCTOBER

**October 1** **2nd Annual Save Texas History Symposium**  
AT&T Conference Center  
1900 University Avenue  
Austin, Texas  
The Texas Revolution at 175: Onward was the Cry! Hear the stories of high hopes, heroism and strategy leading up to Texas Independence. Go to: <http://www.glo.texas.gov/save-texas-history/index.html> to register and read more. Reserve your place now ... the 2010 Save Texas History Symposium sold out.

**October 5-8** **60th TSPS Convention & Technology Exposition**  
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## NOVEMBER

**November 18** **TSPS Chapter 18 Seminars (2 4-hour Classes)**  
Abilene Civic Center  
1100 North 6th Street  
Abilene, Texas 79601  
**An Expedition Through the Act & Rules**  
*Instructor: Paul Carey & Joe Breaux*  
**4 CEUs**

**Professional Ethics**  
*Instructor: Fred Crawford*  
**4 CEUs**

Registration Information TBA

## DECEMBER

**December 3** **TSPS December Seminars - Last Minute CEUs**  
**An Expedition Through the Act & Rules (4 CEUs)**  
*Instructor: Paul Carey*  
Houston, Texas

**RPLS Boundary Retracement (4 CEUs)**  
*Instructor: Paul Carey*  
Austin, Texas

**Practical Application of Advance Survey Technology (8 CEUs)**  
*Instructor: Bob Hysmith*

Watch TSPS publications and <http://www.tsp.org> for more details on the courses, locations and registration.

## FEBRUARY

**February 24-25** **TSPS 2012 Symposium**  
South Shore Harbour Resort & Spa  
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League City, TX 77573  
800-442-5005  
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## **COUNTY ENGINEER**

Chambers County, Texas, is seeking a County Engineer for an immediate full time position. Registration as RPLS not necessary, but a plus. Have experience in road construction and supervision of building projects. Will be in charge of the Road and Bridge Department with 60 plus employees. Must successfully pass DOT drug screening. Chambers County offers paid medical (employee only) two weeks' vacation after one year, accrued sick leave and TEXAS COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM retirement. Must have the ability to work with Commissioners Court and the public. Send resume by email to [bhall@co.chambers.tx.us](mailto:bhall@co.chambers.tx.us).

## **SENIOR SURVEY TECHNICIAN**

Crosstex Energy Services, LP. is looking for an experienced survey CAD technician to assist in the analysis and preparation of boundary surveys for the acquisition of easements for pipelines and related company facilities.

Candidates must have at least 5 years technical experience in land surveying with a minimum of 3 years in drafting experience, AutoCAD Civil 3D and survey field experience a plus.

**Apply at:** [careers@crosstexenergy.com](mailto:careers@crosstexenergy.com)

## **Surveying Position Available, The Woodlands Texas Experienced Party Chief**

Competitive pay, Must be able to pass drug test, Clean record (no felonies). Please email resumes to [Naomi@tcsurveying.com](mailto:Naomi@tcsurveying.com).



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## SURVEY PROJECT MANAGER

Survey Project Manager for survey projects in New Mexico. Percheron Surveying, LLC is seeking a Professional Surveyor licensed in New Mexico to manage survey projects with 3-5 years experience managing survey projects, client contacts, Trimble GPS, and AutoCAD/Carlson software. Send resume to [inquire@percheronsurveying.com](mailto:inquire@percheronsurveying.com).

## SURVEYING POSITIONS AVAILABLE - BRENHAM TEXAS

Lampe Surveying, Inc, headquartered in Brenham for over 37 years is seeking motivated professionals for the following positions:  
Registered Professional Land Surveyors.  
Experienced CAD Survey operators and/or SIT.  
Experienced Field Technicians with GPS experience & willing to travel.  
Knowledge of office and field procedures, computer operations and applications required. Oil and Gas experience a plus.  
Excellent opportunity for the right candidate(s).  
Competitive pay, health insurance, paid vacation/holidays.  
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Submit resumes to: [lampesurveying@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lampesurveying@sbcglobal.net) or fax to 979-836-1177.

## RPLS & INSTRUMENT MAN

**FXSA, Inc.** has a need for a qualified instrument man and a Registered Professional Land Surveyor licensed in Texas and New Mexico to work out of the El Paso, TX office.



Instrument man: Must have a minimum of 6 year's experience as an instrument man with the technical knowledge of GPS, both RTK and Static, and data processing. Travel of 35% may be required.

RPLS: Will be responsible for assisting in the management of survey crews, interacting with the client, mentoring and guiding production activities for staff, and quality control of field data and deliverables. Must have a minimum of 6 years of experience as a Licensed Land Surveyor, and have excellent written and verbal communications skills. Technical experience required includes use of GPS equipment, RTK, Static and data processing, TGO, and CADD software. Candidate should also have experience implementing QA/QC procedures, safety and surveying ethics programs as well as successful business development support experience and client facing skills. Experience with mobile mapping systems such as ground-based LIDAR is a plus. Travel of 35% may be required.

If interested, fax or e-mail resume, references, and salary expectations to (915) 533-4673 or [vhe@fxsa.com](mailto:vhe@fxsa.com).

## FIELD POSITIONS AVAILABLE

**NORTHWEST HOUSTON SURVEYING FIRM**

Seeking Experienced Field Personnel

Please Send Resume to [hovis@hovissurveying.com](mailto:hovis@hovissurveying.com) or Fax to 281-376-1726

## PARTY CHIEF and SENIOR SURVEYING TECHNICIAN GREAT SOUTHWESTERN LAND SURVEYORS, LLC

Seeking qualified Party Chief and Senior Surveying Technician with extensive pipeline experience.

Party Chief should demonstrate ability to thoroughly locate and collect boundary survey field data, pipeline routing expertise including the ability to recognize and solve constructability issues, thoroughly and extensively collect improvements which may affect the pipelines, recognize and detail the variable nature of the ground surface of the pipeline profile, perform detailed topographic surveys of road and creek crossings, be able to operate Leica 1200 GPS, Topcon Total Station, Radio Detection pipeline locator, Carlson Surv-CE data collection software. The candidate MUST keep extensive, detailed filed notes with good, uniform lettering. Understanding of surface and state plane coordinates, deed descriptions is necessary. The candidate must also be familiar with Carlson Design and Autodesk Map 3D, and Leica Geo Office. The work is located in South Texas and the successful candidate must be willing to travel.

Surveying Technician should be able to operate Carlson Design Software, Autodesk Map 3D, and Leica Geo Office. Requirements include the ability to prepare pipeline easement plats, field note descriptions, and pipeline alignment sheets. Ability to use ESRI ArcView software to prepare various maps is a plus. Understanding of state plane coordinate systems and the Universal Transverse Mercator System is necessary. The office in which this position will be located is in Mansfield, Tarrant County, Texas.

SIT certification is a plus. While a college diploma will be welcomed, a candidate with the ability to do the job is what we are seeking. Rate of pay will be commensurate with experience. Travel per diems are included. Good benefits package is available.

Please send resume and references to Michael Evans, RPLS, LSLS at [mevans@gswland.com](mailto:mevans@gswland.com).

## RPLS and CAD TECHNICIANS

Urban Surveying, Inc. with offices in Victoria and Cuero, Texas is seeking experienced RPLS and CAD Technicians to join our team.

Projects include Oil/Gas exploration and pipeline, boundary surveys, topographic surveys and construction staking. USI offers competitive compensation, 401(k) plan, paid employee health insurance and paid vacation. Please send resume to [company@urbansurveying.com](mailto:company@urbansurveying.com) or fax to 361-576-9924.



## INSTRUMENT MAN - Austin, TX

Applicants must have 1-4 years experience in the surveying field and must have experience in topographic surveys, ALTA and boundary surveys, and some construction staking experience.



Half Associates fosters a work environment that allows for professional and personal growth. We offer excellent benefits including medical, dental, prescription, life, long-term disability insurance, as well as a 401k and

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## MULTIPLE POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Percheron Surveying, LLC is accepting applications for the following positions:

- **Survey Technician:**

Must be able to produce boundary surveys, plan profile drawings, and well location surveys in Auto-Cad based Carlson software.

- **Party Chief**
- **Instrumentman**
- **Rodman**

All field work is out of town and will require individuals able to travel.

Favorable background check, including driving record, is required. Please forward resumes to: [smcglaun@percheronsurveying.com](mailto:smcglaun@percheronsurveying.com).

## SURVEY SUPERINTENDENT CITY OF FORT WORTH SURVEY SUPERINTENDENT

THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS is seeking a Survey Superintendent to lead the Survey Services Division. The candidate will supervise, assign, review and participate in the work of employees responsible for performing boundary, preliminary construction and as-constructed surveying.

The ideal candidate is a highly motivated individual who has a strong background in construction and land surveying; project management; strong interpersonal and leadership skills; and excellent communication skills. A thorough understanding of local government surveying is a plus.

Requirements include a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with major coursework in land or construction surveying or related field with six (6) years of responsible construction and land surveying experience including a minimum of two (2) years of construction survey and a minimum of two (2) year of supervisory/management experience. The possession of license as a Registered Professional Land Surveyor (RPLS) in the State of Texas is required. GPS, CAD and GIS experience preferred.

Candidates must possess a valid Class "C" driver's license and an acceptable driving record.

Interested candidates should apply to <http://www.fortworthgov.org>. Click on the "Jobs" link.

## SURVEY CREW CHIEFS & SURVEY TECHNICIANS

Growing New Mexico firm has **IMMEDIATE** openings for Survey Crew Chiefs and Survey Technicians- Construction Survey and Trimble GPS experience required. Survey work includes ALTA and other boundary surveys, cross country route surveys including right of way and easement delineation, horizontal and vertical control networks, engineering design surveys, topographic surveys and construction staking. Please email resumes to [aa@pettigrew.us](mailto:aa@pettigrew.us).



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## SURVEY PROJECT TECHNICIAN

T. Baker Smith is looking for a Survey Project AutoCAD Technician. Primarily responsible for providing technical support to Project Manager by calculating, analyzing, organizing, coordinating, and researching information, preparing drawings, and generally providing assistance with any other tasks necessary to complete the project. Must have ability to operate AutoCAD and other related computer software, attention to detail, and excellent written and verbal communication skills. Experience in Oil and Gas field is desired. GIS experience a plus.

### Requirements:

An Associate's degree from an accredited college or from a vocational-technical college in a related field plus one to three years related work experience in the area of work specialization; OR any equivalent combination of education and experience. Ability to operate Auto CAD and other related computer software and equipment, and basic understanding of computer hardware and software, accuracy, attention to detail, and excellent written and verbal communication skills.

T. Baker Smith has provided professional land and offshore surveying, engineering, marine positioning and environmental services to private, public, and industrial clients in Texas, Louisiana, the entire Gulf Coast, and beyond for nearly a century. Our excellent compensation package includes, but not limited to base salary, profit sharing, 100% match 401K, and health benefits.

For more information visit <http://www.tbsmith.com>. Email [humanresources@tbsmith.com](mailto:humanresources@tbsmith.com). T. Baker Smith is an equal opportunity employer.

## REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR

**Registered Professional Land Surveyor** for our Sugarland TX facility. This position is responsible for administering surveying activities which include oversight of manpower, technical resources, and client communication for multiple projects. 5 years' experience in Oil/Gas exploration and Pipeline. Also, proficient in AutoCAD, and GIS. R.P.L.S. registration in TX and LA preferred.

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