

Wednesday, September 13, 2017

Black Lab Pub, Churchill Room • 4100 Montrose Blvd.  
 Social Hour 5:30–6:30 p.m.  
 Dinner 6:30–7:30 p.m.

# HGS Environmental & Engineering Dinner Meeting

**Cost: \$30 Preregistered members; \$35 non-members/walk-ups**

**To guarantee a seat, pre-register on the HGS website & pre-pay by credit card.  
 Pre-registration without payment will not be accepted.**

**Walk-ups may pay at the door if extra seats are available.**

*If you are an Active or Associate Member who is unemployed and would like to attend this meeting, please call the HGS office for a discounted registration cost. We are also seeking members to volunteer at the registration desk for this and other events.*

*Peter G. Pope, P.G. and Peter Fisher, P.G.  
 Railroad Commission of Texas*

## ETHICS MOMENT

We will dedicate 15 minutes at the beginning of each meeting to ethics to apply towards 0.25 hours of ethics credit.

## Environmental Issues and the Railroad Commission of Texas

The stewardship of natural resources and the environment is an important part of the Railroad Commission of Texas' (RRC) mission statement. Mr. Pope and Mr. Fisher will discuss

environmental issues and regulation related to activities under the jurisdiction of the RRC, with a focus on regulation of Oil and Gas Exploration and Production activities. ■

### Biographical Sketches

**PETER POPE** attended Purdue University in the mid-1980s and then Rice University from 1987 to 1991 where he performed graduate-level research in Antarctic glacial marine sedimentation. He began his career in environmental consulting in 1991. After 10 years in the private sector, he took a position in the Site Remediation Section of the Railroad Commission of Texas using his knowledge and experience with contaminant fate and transport modeling and risk assessment to regulatory oversight of oil field cleanups. Mr. Pope currently manages the Site Remediation Section.



office ensuring that all Commission Rules, procedures, and policies are enforced in the District.

Before moving to Houston Peter worked for 11 years in the Site Remediation Section of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas in Austin coordinating site assessments and cleanup of abandoned oil and gas surface sites using State funds. Prior to working in Site Remediation, he worked three years in Technical Permitting of the Environmental Permits and Support Section.



**PETER FISHER, P.G.**, works as the Houston District Director in the Field Operations Section of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas. Mr. Fisher was promoted to Houston District Director on August 1, 2015, where he had been the Houston Assistant District Director since June 1, 2011. He is responsible for the overall operations of the Houston District

Prior to joining the Railroad Commission of Texas Mr. Fisher worked at Fluor Daniel GTI environmental engineering consulting firm where he managed several underground storage tank sites and helped assess and prepare surface mining studies and applications for lignite in east Texas. Mr. Fisher has a BS in geology from The University of Texas at Austin.