

MEMO**DATE:** October 20, 2025**TO:** Member Board Administrators**FROM:** Lehmon Dekle, P.E., Chief Officer of Examinations**RE:** Notice of Future Changes to NCEES Exams and Supporting Materials

This memo provides Member Boards the minimum 1-year notice required by the NCEES *Manual of Policy and Position Statements*, Exam Development Policy (EDP) 8.

As a reminder, the following changes are in place for the Spring 2026 exam administration:

Spring 2026 Exam Changes

- **PE Electrical and Computer: Electronics, Controls, and Communications**—The PE Electrical and Computer: Electronics, Controls, and Communications exam will be administered with new specifications in April 2026. The specifications are posted on the NCEES website.
- **PE Environmental**—The PE Environmental exam will be administered with new specifications in April 2026. The specifications are posted on the NCEES website.
- **PE Structural Engineering Depth sections**—The total time for the PE Structural Engineering Lateral and Vertical Depth sections will become 6.5 hours. This adds 60 minutes of exam time. The specifications are posted on the NCEES website.

The following changes will be effective on the dates indicated:

2026 Approved Calculators

There will be no change to the approved calculators for 2026. The approved calculator list for 2026 NCEES examinations is as follows:

- Hewlett-Packard: HP 33s
- Hewlett-Packard: HP 35s
- Casio: fx-115 models (i.e., Casio models beginning with “fx-115”)
- Casio: fx-991 models (i.e., Casio models beginning with “fx-991”)
- Texas Instruments: TI-30X models (i.e., TI models beginning with “TI-30X”)
- Texas Instruments: TI-36X models (i.e., TI models beginning with “TI-36X”)

Fall 2026 Exam Changes

- **PE Architectural Engineering**—The PE Architectural Engineering exam will be administered with new specifications in October 2026. The specifications will be posted on the NCEES website in October 2025.

Spring 2027 Exam Changes

- **PE Structural Engineering Breadth sections**—The PE Structural Engineering Lateral and Vertical Breadth sections will be administered with new specifications in April 2027. The number of questions will not change. Exam specifications will be posted on the NCEES website in April 2026.
- **PE Structural Engineering Depth sections**—The PE Structural Engineering Lateral and Vertical Depth sections will be administered with new specifications in April 2027. The exams will consist of 48 questions. Exam specifications will be posted on the NCEES website in April 2026.

Summer 2027 Exam Changes

- **PS**—The Principles and Practice of Surveying (PS) exam will be administered with new specifications in July 2027. The specifications will be posted on the NCEES website in July 2026.

Fall 2027 Exam Changes

- **PLSS**—The Public Land Survey System (PLSS) exam will begin administration in October 2027. The specifications will be posted on the NCEES website in October 2025.

If you have any questions about these changes or require additional information, please contact me at ldekle@ncees.org.

C: NCEES Board of Directors

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