

The Florida Professional Engineers in Government Executive Committee, in an effort to streamline and effectively communicate the applied responsibilities of the Practice Section as well as coordinate with FES' new Strategic Plan, has amended their Operating Rules and Procedures. The document now contains new objectives with action/task items to better explain the meaning of each objective.

These objectives were voted on by membership at the FPEG Practice Section breakfast, August 8, 2008 at the Ritz Carlton Naples (FES Annual Conference).

**Florida Professional Engineers in Government
Operating Rules and Procedures
OBJECTIVES**

Objective A:

To promote the highest standard of professional engineering practice within governmental agencies.

- Hold paramount the safety, health, and welfare of the public
- Perform services only in areas of your competence
- Issue public statements only in an objective and truthful manner
- Act for each employer as a faithful agent
- Avoid deceptive acts
- Conduct yourself honorably, responsibly, ethically, and lawfully so as to enhance the honor, reputation, and usefulness of the profession

Objective B:

To promote, encourage, and facilitate the professional development, licensure, recognition, stature, and well-being of engineers practicing engineering within government positions.

- Encourage continuing education opportunities tailored to the needs of government engineers
- Provide recommendations to FES, NSPE and FBPE for expansion of licensure disciplines needed by governmental entities
- Advise the FES and FBPE of licensure requirements and obligations that are detrimental to government engineers
- Encourage Governmental Agencies to provide financial support for licensure
- Expand opportunities for FPEG recognition of Government Engineers.

Objective C:

To provide a forum for communications and to support matters of interest to Engineers at all levels in Government before other practice sections of the Society, NSPE, other Government organizations, and the public.

- Grow and strengthen FPEG membership.
- Improve FPEG recognition (particularly among organizations outside of the Society).
- Strive to make FPEG the principal voice of Engineers in Government in Florida.
- Solicit FPEG membership for professional concerns and issues of common interest.
- Encourage FPEG members to pursue leadership positions in the Society, NSPE, and their communities.

Objective D:

To effectively participate in the legislative and rule-making process on behalf of engineers in government with the assistance of the appropriate FES committee.

- Encourage all members to be contributors to FEPAC.
- Remain vigilant in monitoring legislation based on its impact to our profession and the health, safety, and welfare of the public.
- Communicate with the FES Commission on Legislative and Government Affairs on legislation and rules that may effect government engineer; the manner in which we may perform our work; and the health, safety and welfare of the public.
- Educate political candidates on topics of interest to professional engineers.

Objective E:

To actively promote professional engineers at all levels of government.

- Encourage the placement of professional engineers in leadership positions of engineering-intensive government departments.
- Encourage the participation of professional engineers on advisory boards, policy reviews boards, agency boards, local planning boards, etc.
- Establish a long term program to identify professional engineers who are capable and interested in seeking public office or high level appointed public positions.

Objective F:

Encourage community service activities.