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Craig Pearson is the state seismologist for the Railroad Commission of Texas. He is a member of the American Geophysical Union, Seismological Society of America, American Association of Petroleum Geologists and the International Society Explosives Engineers.

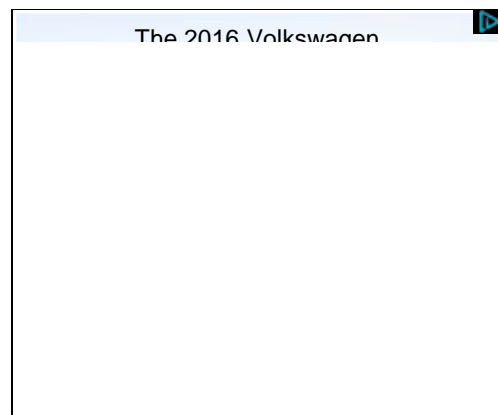


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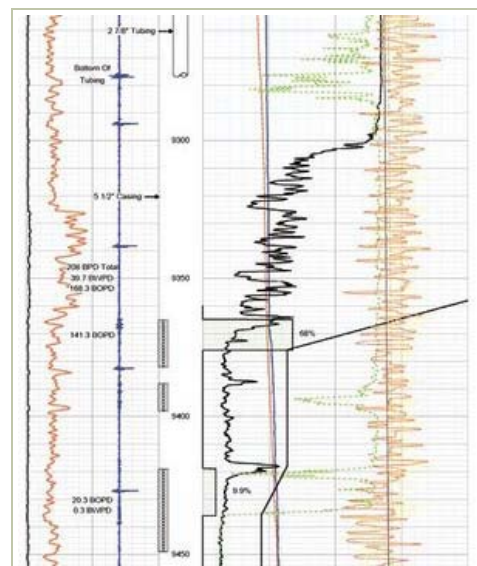
He is a graduate of University of Texas Permian Basin and has a master's degree and doctorate from Southern Methodist University.

The committee was created under House Bill 2 during the 84th legislative session. It will advise the Bureau of Economic Geology on the use of the funding, including the TexNet Seismic Monitoring Program and collaborative research relationships with other universities in Texas, and on the preparation of a status report to the governor and Legislature, according to a press release from the governor's office.

Also named to the committee are Dan Hill, a professor in the Harold Vance Department of Petroleum Engineering at Texas A&M University; Chris Hillman, Irving city manager; Dana Jurick of Houston, manager of Seismic Analysis for the



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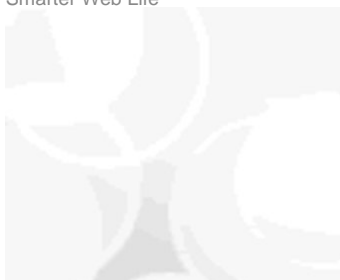
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