



**COLORADO**

Department of  
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Division of Professions and Occupations

Business and Inspections Branch  
State Board of Licensure for Architects, Professional  
Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors

## MEMORANDUM

Date: February 25, 2015

Subject: REVISED - Grading Certifications and Grading Design Statements

To: Licensed Architects, Professional Engineers, and, Professional Land Surveyors  
Professional Land Surveyors of Colorado, Inc.  
All County Surveyors  
All Local Building Officials  
All County Attorneys

From: Colorado State Board of Licensure for Architects, Professional Engineers, and  
Professional Land Surveyors

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This memorandum is to replace the previous *Grading Certifications and Grading Design Statements* memorandum released on January 28, 2015.

Please be advised that the State Board of Licensure for Architects, Professional Engineers, and Professional Land Surveyors ("Board") considers preparation of grading and drainage plans not to be within the scope of the practice of land surveying. If a land surveyor prepares a grading or drainage certification, it should be limited to determined elevations of land parcels and must not contain statements of engineering design, evaluation, or analysis.

Qualified Professional Engineers, Architects, and Landscape Architects may prepare grading and drainage plans or certificates. Other individuals who prepare, sign, or seal the aforementioned documents violate state statute and may be subject to legal action by the Board, including but not limited to a cease and desist order or injunction.

For additional information regarding this subject, refer to Board Rules 5.2.3 and 6.2.3.

