

SC Engineers & Surveyors Board Statement Regarding Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV)

Pursuant to SC Codes of Laws, Section 40-22-10 (A), “the purpose of the board is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public by ensuring that only properly qualified and competent engineers and surveyors are licensed to practice, by promoting technical competency and ethical standards consistent with the Rules of Professional Conduct applicable to engineers and surveyors, and by appropriately disciplining those found in violation of laws governing engineering and surveying.”

The Board regulates the practice of engineering and surveying, but does **not** regulate tools, instruments, or equipment.

During the July 18, 2017 meeting, the Board discussed remote scanning/mapping technology using Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV). The following motion was made and approved unanimously:

Scanning, LiDAR, or any similar methodology falls within acceptable techniques for Tier A or Tier B surveying.