

## **Envision Central Texas *Preferred Scenario: 2003***

### **Description:**

Since 2002, Envision Central Texas has engaged thousands of residents from the 5-county Central Texas Region to envision their future. During this time Fregonese Calthorpe Associates was asked to develop a range of future growth scenarios and assess the public's response to them. Some highlights of the scenario planning process include:

- A series of workshops attended by over a thousand people in all areas of the Central Texas region.
- The development of a "base case/trends continue" scenario, as well as three alternative growth scenarios that were built and thoroughly tested using public input received from the workshops, population forecasts and infrastructure data.
- A 2003 survey that included responses from over 12,000 area residents from all five counties on their preferences and concerns about the scenarios. The findings from this survey were summarized and considerable areas of consensus were identified.
- The issuance of *A Vision for Central Texas* report in May 2004 by the ECT board detailing growth options and their fit with the preferences of area residents.

In 2005, ECT decided to use the previously modeled scenarios and the public feedback described in the report to create a 'Preferred Scenario: 2003' for the region. This scenario will be used as a benchmark for future planning and to illustrate the public's response to the four published scenarios in 2003.

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