

The Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (**CAMPO**) serves the three-county area of Williamson, Travis, and Hays Counties in Central Texas.

**CAMPO** provides transportation planning and air quality services and works with regional partners to determine the priorities for spending federal transportation dollars in the region.

**CAMPO** is governed by a 23-member Transportation Policy Board made up of elected officials representing cities, counties, and state legislative districts within CAMPO's boundaries, as well as representatives from transportation agencies.

**CAMPO** is responsible for promoting an efficient, affordable transportation system that meets the mobility needs of all area residents while enhancing regional livability, the economy, and the environment.

**CAMPO** is committed to involving the citizens of the region in determining the transportation system we use to *get there* in the future.

How can I get more information?

Visit our web site:

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## 30 Years - Past and Future

CAMPO began as the Austin Transportation Study in 1973. Since then, the three-county region has grown by 800,000 residents and has evolved into an expanding network of cities, suburbs, and rural communities. CAMPO continues to work with our regional partners and the citizens of the region to plan for and implement a multi-modal transportation system that meets the challenges ahead.

Over the next 30 years, the region will continue to mature and 1.6 million new residents could be added to the region (twice the population growth of the last 30 years). The region's population will be increasingly elderly and ethnically diverse.

### CAMPO Region Past, Present, and Future Williamson, Travis, and Hays Counties

	1970	2000	2030	
Three county population	361,000	1,160,000	2,750,000	↑
People per square mile	129	416	986	↑
Average household size	3.3	2.6	2.4	↓
% population that is:				
White	88%	72%	69%	↓
Black/African-American	10%	8%	8%	↓
Hispanic/Latino	17%	26%	37%	↑
Older than 65	8%	8%	20%	↑
Average number of vehicles per day crossing the Colorado River in Travis County (RM 620 to FM 973)	134,000	660,000	1,312,000	↑

Data is based on information from: CAMPO population forecast and travel demand model; Texas State Data Center forecasts; US Census; TxDOT traffic counts.

## Project Funding

In December, the Transportation Policy Board selected transportation projects to receive federal Metropolitan Mobility funding in 2005 and 2006. The projects were selected with an emphasis on air pollution reduction. The Board also voted to maintain the current 15% set aside for bicycle and pedestrian projects.

For more information on the project selection process, please contact Michael Dutton at (512)



### Projects Selected:

- ❶ Bicycle hub with amenities on UT campus
- ❷ Improvements to intersections, signals, and pedestrian amenities along Sessom Drive and LBJ Drive in San Marcos
- ❸ Sidewalks along North Lamar from Howard to Parmer Lane in Austin
- ❹ Hybrid electric commuter bus (Texas State University)
- ❺ Traffic signal improvements along US 183, Parmer Lane, Loop 360, FM 2222, and Far West in Austin

## Good News About Air Quality



Based on 2003 monitoring, the EPA has determined that the region's air quality conforms with federal standards, and will not designate the region "nonattainment" this spring. This is good news for now, however, next year's air quality may not meet the standards. The region still needs to work to take early action. Elected officials in the region have committed to implementing a Clean Air Action Plan (CAAP) to ensure clean air for Central Texas residents. The CAAP may ultimately include measures such as: a vehicle emission inspection and maintenance program, idling restrictions on heavy-duty diesels, large employer commute emission reduction programs, and other measures.

## ABC's of Regional Transportation

Several transportation agencies with similar names serve the region:

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| <b>Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO):</b>      | Plans for the regional transportation system, and allocates federal transportation funding within Williamson, Travis, and Hays Counties. |
| <b>Capital Metropolitan Transit Authority (Capital Metro/ CMTA):</b> | Provides urban public transportation service to Travis County and a portion of Williamson County.  |
| <b>Capital Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS):</b>             | Provides primarily-rural public transportation service to a nine-county area that includes the CAMPO region.                             |
| <b>Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority (CTRMA):</b>            | Authorized by state law to construct tollways and other transportation projects in Williamson and Travis Counties.                       |
| <b>Capital Area Planning Council (CAPCO):</b>                        | Serves as the Council of Governments for a ten-county area that includes the CAMPO region.   |
| <b>Capital Area Regional Transportation Organization (CARTPO):</b>   | Provides transportation planning and coordination for the ten-county CAPCO area. Does not directly control transportation funding.       |

## Mobility 2030 Plan

The draft *Mobility 2030 Plan* will serve as a starting point for discussion about the region's future transportation system. You are invited to review the draft *Mobility 2030 Plan* and provide comments to the CAMPO Transportation Policy Board. CAMPO staff will be available in May and June to present the draft of the 2030 Plan to your community group or organization. To set up a meeting, please contact Stevie Greathouse at (512) 974-9715.

### Plan Schedule:

**June 2003-May 2004**  
Development of draft plan

**May 10, 2004**  
Present Plan to Board

**June-July 2004**  
Initial Public Hearings

**July 2004-February 2005**  
Plan Refinement

**February-March 2005**  
Final Public Hearings

**March 2005**  
Plan Adoption

## Transportation Policy Board

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## Transportation Funding

The Governor's business council has estimated that Texas will face a \$78 billion dollar shortfall over the next 25 years for needed highway projects alone. In the future, our region will need to use a combination of traditional and innovative funding sources to pay for transportation projects.

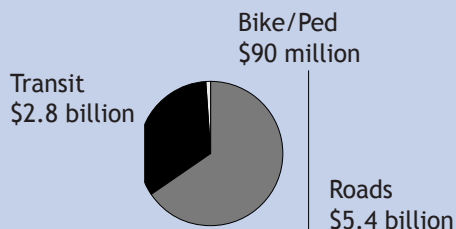
### Traditional

Federal and State Gas Tax  
Vehicle registration fees  
Sales Tax  
Local General Funds

### Innovative

Toll Roads  
Increasing taxes and fees  
Debt financing (e.g. bonds)

### What the CAMPO 2025 Plan Projects Cost\*



\*Chart does not reflect funding for maintenance or operations. Bicycle and pedestrian total only includes stand-alone projects to be paid for with federal Metropolitan Mobility funds over the life of the plan.

## Can We Reduce Traffic Congestion?

**Recommended Reading:** Anthony Downs. *Traffic: Why It's Getting Worse, What the Government Can Do.* Brookings Institution Policy Brief #128.

(<http://www.brookings.edu/comm/policybriefs/pb128.htm>)

## Technical Advisory Committee

**Staff representatives from:** Williamson County, Travis County, Hays County, City of Austin, City of Round Rock, City of San Marcos, City of Georgetown, City of Cedar Park, City of Pflugerville, City of Taylor, Alliance of Cities for Williamson, Travis, and Hays Counties, TxDOT, Austin District TxDOT, Texas Turnpike Authority, Capital Metro, Capital Area Rural Transit System, Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority, Intermunicipal Commuter Rail District, Capital Area Planning Council

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**Let Us Know How We're Doing  
At an Upcoming Federal Review Listening Session:**

**Date:** Tuesday, March 30, 2004

**Time:** 6 p.m.

**Place:** THE JOE C. THOMPSON CONFERENCE CENTER, Room 2.120  
Dean Keeton (26th) and Red River (University of Texas campus)  
Austin, Texas

**About this Session:** Comments received at this listening session will be used by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) as they evaluate CAMPO's performance through a federal certification review process. CAMPO must go through this review process every three years to maintain federal certification and to ensure that the region continues to receive federal transportation funding. You may also submit your comments in writing to the FHWA c/o Mr. Jose Campos, FHWA, Rm. 826, 300 East 8th St, Austin, TX 78701. Written comments must be received by April 30, 2004.