

RESOLUTION No. 2007-05

ADOPTING GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE  
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE TOWN OF  
EDGEWOOD, NEW MEXICO

WHEREAS, The Town of Edgewood has received funding through a Community Development Block Grant administered by the New Mexico Local Government Division for the purpose of developing a Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Edgewood has entered into a Planning Services Agreement with the Mid-Regional Council of Governments (MRCOG) to establish an organizational structure and carry out a process for the preparation of a Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Edgewood Planning Commission has been working as a steering committee with the staff of the MRCOG on the development of the Comprehensive Plan since July 2006; and

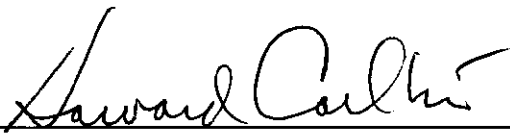
WHEREAS, the Town of Edgewood has engaged in numerous activities to solicit community input through public meetings, opinion surveys, and a public workshop; and

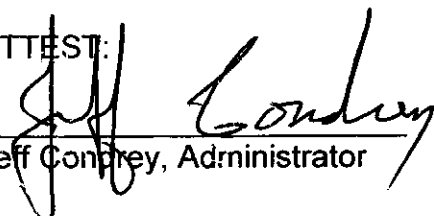
WHEREAS, the staff of the MRCOG, in consultation with the Town Planning Commission and the Town staff, have reviewed relevant documents and reports concerning the Town, evaluated statistical data, conducted research concerning the Town and its surrounding area, and have incorporated all public input into the development of Goals and Objectives for the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, Goals and Objectives for the Town of Edgewood Comprehensive Plan have been formulated to define the Town's vision and suggest a means to achieve that vision, have been endorsed and are recommended by the Town Planning Commission, and will be used to provide a basis for strategic planning recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Edgewood Town Council does adopt the Goals and Objectives for the Town of Edgewood Comprehensive Plan, hereby attached and made a part of this Resolution.

PASSED, ADOPTED, and APPROVED this 21st day of February, 2007, by the Town Council of the Town of Edgewood, New Mexico.

  
Howard Calkins, Mayor

ATTEST:  
  
Jeff Condey, Administrator

# Town of Edgewood, New Mexico Comprehensive Plan

## Goals and Objectives for Future Development

### Category: Land Use and Form of Development

#### **Goal A: Preserve and enhance the Edgewood community character and rural quality of life.**

**Objective 1:** Adopt ordinances that protect land uses and property values.

**Objective 2:** Utilize site development and design guidelines to improve the appearance of buildings and structures and to maintain rural characteristics in the Town of Edgewood.

**Objective 3:** Identify appropriate areas for cluster development of commercial, business, governmental, institutional, or mixed-use development with direct access to major arterials.

**Objective 4:** Identify appropriate areas for industrial activities and impose performance standards to minimize off-site impacts of such development on surrounding lands.

**Objective 5:** Outside its municipal corporate limits, and within the statutory planning and platting jurisdiction, the Town should be assertive in regulating the subdivision of land through its concurrent jurisdiction with county governments.

**Objective 6:** Promote and encourage preservation of historic structures and cultural sites in the Edgewood community.

#### **Goal B: Consolidate lands for municipal jurisdiction in order to provide the most effective Town services and facilities.**

**Objective 1:** Promote infill development where there is already existing infrastructure.

**Objective 2:** Support an annexation policy that requires an explanation of the purposes and conditions, the costs and benefits, and the overall impact regarding the annexation of lands to the Town.

**Goal C: Balance community development with the natural resources in the Edgewood area.**

**Objective 1:** Identify, protect, and if necessary, acquire open space areas, easements, and parks to preserve natural and scenic assets for the community.

**Objective 2:** Reduce the potential for air, light, or noise pollution caused by development and land use activities.

**Category: Housing**

**Goal D: Ensure adequate housing and residential opportunities for Edgewood residents.**

**Objective 1:** Allow limited multiple housing units designed in a manner that would minimize disruption to surrounding neighborhoods.

**Objective 2:** Support special housing opportunities for the elderly and provide incentives for the development of retirement communities.

**Category: Traffic and Transportation**

**Goal E: Maintain a street network to meet the current and future transportation needs for the Edgewood community.**

**Objective 1:** Adopt a long-range street system plan for the Town and surrounding region.

**Objective 2:** Create a street conditions rating system in order to evaluate streets and roads and identify priorities for improvements.

**Objective 3:** Utilize multiple funding sources to construct and maintain paved streets in Edgewood.

**Goal F: Provide a variety of transportation services and facilities.**

**Objective 1:** Develop a public transportation center in the Town to provide space for park-and-ride connections and bus/transit stops, with passenger amenities such as security lighting and shelters.

**Objective 2:** Continue to create partnerships with local, state, and federal agencies as well as seek alternative sources of funding in

order to develop a system of local bikeways and pedestrian trails with connections to regional systems where possible and with minimal impact to property owners.

**Objective 3:** Support a Regional Transit District that has the authority to provide public transit services to local citizens.

**Objective 4:** Control development around the Sandia Airpark to alleviate airspace encroachments, ensure public safety, and provide greater options for airport operations.

**Category: Public Services and Facilities**

**Goal G: Protect the water resources of the Edgewood community.**

**Objective 1:** Establish a ground water protection plan that regulates land use activities in order to prevent the contamination of water resources.

**Objective 2:** Develop and implement a water conservation program and a drought contingency plan for the Town.

**Objective 3:** In order to protect the community from property damage and contamination caused by stormwater runoff, the town should regulate development in designated floodplains, and protect the natural drainage features in the community.

**Objective 4:** Encourage rainwater harvesting and use of grey water systems in the community.

**Objective 5:** Provide for the collection and treatment of wastewater in appropriate areas of the community to protect groundwater from contamination.

**Goal H: Improve police/fire/rescue services in the Town.**

**Objective 1:** Adequately fund and operate an Edgewood Police Department.

**Objective 2:** Improve the ISO (Insurance Service Office) rating for fire protection services in order to decrease costs for homeowner's insurance.

**Objective 3:** Provide for coordinated emergency rescue services in the Edgewood community.

**Goal I: Provide health, education, and social services in the community.**

**Objective 1:** Support the availability of health and medical services and facilities in the Edgewood community.

**Objective 2:** Adopt joint powers agreements with the local school district to coordinate and collaborate on educational services and facilities.

**Objective 3:** Provide diverse recreational programs that include the arts, health, and environment for all populations and age groups by partnering with other recreationally focused groups and businesses.

**Goal J: Maintain a public utility infrastructure that will preserve and enhance the natural and visual setting of Edgewood**

**Objective 1:** Encourage utilities to be installed underground.

**Objective 2:** Regulate the height and location of utility structures such as power lines and telecommunication towers.

**Goal K: Develop a community-wide system of recreation and park facilities.**

**Objective 1:** Improve and expand existing recreational facilities such as parks, ball fields, multi-purpose play areas, recreational trails, etc.

**Objective 2:** Implement a master plan and programs for parks and recreation in the Edgewood community.

**Objective 3:** Implement a trails master plan to be referenced in annexations, proposed developments, and recreational facility development.

**Objective 4:** Research and seek funding for developing new recreation facilities and acquiring land for recreational purposes.

**Category: Economic Development**

**Goal L: Ensure a strong and diverse local economy.**

**Objective 1:** Review and revise local ordinances to provide incentives to retain and expand local businesses.

**Objective 2:** Establish or support a local organization and process for targeting and recruiting new businesses and industries to locate in the Edgewood community, particularly those that serve local needs and provide higher-wage jobs.

**Objective 3:** Research and develop programs that use current and future recreational and environmental assets of the Edgewood area to attract visitors and tourists.

**Goal M: Maintain a diverse and qualified workforce residing in the Edgewood community.**

**Objective 1:** Support any local programs to improve workforce skills and abilities of local residents through adult education programs.

**Objective 2:** Promote job training programs through partnerships with educational institutions and local businesses.

**Objective 3:** Research and support after-school youth programs that might lead to employment opportunities for younger age groups in the community.

RESOLUTION NO, 2007-04  
**Estancia Basin Community Governing Bodies**  
**Resolution of Support for E.M.W. Gas Association**

**This Resolution of Support for E.M.W. Gas Association to engage in a feasibility study to provide a regional water system in the Estancia Basin is passed by the following Estancia Basin community governing bodies: Town of Edgewood, Town of Estancia, City of Moriarty, Town of Mountainair, Torrance County, and Village of Willard.**

**RECITALS**

Whereas, the E.M.W. Gas Association is proposing to conduct a feasibility study to become a regional water utility system within the Estancia Basin; and

Whereas, growth projections for the communities in the Estancia Basin anticipate increased residential and economic development; and,

Whereas, the Estancia Basin is being depleted due to extensive and historical ground water mining resulting in serious water level declines; and

Whereas, the Basin communities are dependent on a sustainable water supply to ensure their continued and future economic vitality and there is growing uncertainty about the future availability of ground water in the Estancia Basin; and

Whereas, there is no benefit to the communities of the Estancia Basin when water is exported out of the Estancia Basin. Furthermore, exportation of water diminishes the self-sufficiency of communities in the Basin, and

Whereas, the local governments of the City of Moriarty, the Town of Edgewood, the Town of Estancia, and Torrance County have all acknowledged the potential detriment to the valley by adopting resolutions declaring their objection to the exportation of water from the Estancia Basin; and

Whereas, the Estancia Basin has been designated as a Critical Management Area by the Office of the State Engineer, requiring greater protection to ensure future ground water supplies; and

Whereas, the Estancia Basin has not been adjudicated by the State of New Mexico, and declared water rights far exceed historical pumping; and

Whereas, a significant portion of the ground water in the Estancia Basin is saline or brackish, although the extent and characteristics are not known, and there is a concern by residents of the Estancia Basin that Basin water quality in general is deteriorating due to extensive pumping; and

Whereas, E.M.W. Gas Association is a local non-profit municipally owned utility, subject to the state statutes for municipal utilities, which has successfully operated to benefit people within the economic region since 1964; and

Whereas, E.M.W. Gas Association's board is appointed by the towns of Estancia, Moriarty, and Willard, and is therefore already focused on the interests of the people in the economic region; and

Whereas, E.M.W. Gas Association's experience as a public utility, its position as a long-term successful local organization, and its current holding of utility easements, make it a particularly viable entity to provide the long-term needs for regional water delivery and management in the Estancia Basin;

Now therefore, we as the Estancia Basin community governing bodies do hereby resolve to support a feasibility study by E.M.W. Gas Association to become a regional water utility within the Estancia Basin.

*Howard Calkins* 2-7-07

Town of Edgewood Howard Calkins, Mayor Date  
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City of Moriarty

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Town of Mountainair

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Torrance County

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Village of Willard

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