

**AGENDA
TOWN OF EDGEWOOD
SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE GOVERNING BODY
JANUARY 11, 2020 @ 10:00 A.M.
TOWN OF EDGEWOOD COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 171A STATE ROAD 344
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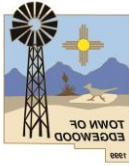
I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

II. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Discussion, Consideration and Action on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law for the Public Hearing heard on December 18, 2019 on the application of a Zone Change of one lot from R1 Residential 1-acre lot to SU- Special Use. Lot 1 Blk 2, Tierra Linda, T10 N R7E Section 28, of 5.3 acres, aka 5 Entrada Del Norte, NMPM, Town of Edgewood, Santa Fe County, New Mexico
- B. PUBLIC MEETING - Town of Edgewood Comprehensive Land Use Plan
 - a. Presented to the Governing Body by Maida Rubin from MRCOG (The Mid Region Council of Governments) and members of the Comprehensive Plan Committee of the Town of Edgewood
 - i. Public Comment
 - ii. Governing Body Comment/Discussion
- C. Discussion, Consideration and Action on Resolution 2020-03 adopting the Comprehensive Land Use Plan for the Town of Edgewood

III. ADJOURN

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**BEFORE THE TOWN OF EDGEWOOD
GOVERNING BODY**

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND RECOMMENDED ORDER

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION BY:

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

ZONE CHANGE

CASE # ZC 2019-08-007

I. APPLICATION PROCESS

1.1 LEGAL

Application of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church for a Zone Change of one lot from R1 Residential 1-acre lot to SU – Special Use. Lot 1, Blk 2, Tierra Linda, T10N R7E Section 28, of 5.3 acres, aka 5 Entrada Del Norte, NMPM, Town of Edgewood, Santa Fe County, New Mexico.

1.2 NOTIFICATION

Proper notices were sent out to property owners within 500 feet and two notices were placed in the local newspaper.

II. PUBLIC HEARING

This matter came before the Town of Edgewood Governing Body on December 18, 2019 for a Zone Change from R1, Residential 1-acre Lot to SU, Special Use, Case # ZC 2019-08-007. The Governing Body has duly considered the evidence presented by the Applicant and Town Staff. This evidence has taken the form of documents and testimony presented at a Hearing before the Governing Body held December 18, 2019.

III. FINDINGS OF FACT

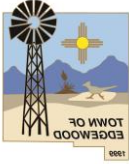
- A. The property that is the subject of the requested Zone Change is located within the Municipal Boundaries of the Town of Edgewood, as they currently exist.
- B. The jurisdiction of the Town over the requested Zone Change is not contested.
- C. The request is consistent with the public interest and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Edgewood.

IV. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. The Governing Body has jurisdiction for consideration over the requested Zone Change.
- B. The request of the applicant should be approved as it proves that the current zoning is incorrect or inappropriate as stated in the 2018-08 Town of Edgewood Zoning Ordinance, Section 40. Amendments.

V. ORDER OF DECISION

Based on the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, the Town of Edgewood Governing Body orders that Case # ZC 2019-08-007, a request by Good Shepherd Lutheran Church for a Zone Change of one lot from R1 Residential 1-acre lot to SU – Special Use. Lot 1, Blk 2, Tierra Linda, T10N R7E Section 28, of 5.3 acres, aka 5 Entrada Del Norte, NMPM, Town of Edgewood, Santa Fe County, New Mexico is hereby approved.



**BEFORE THE TOWN OF EDGEWOOD
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WRITTEN FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW WAS APPROVED BY THE TOWN OF EDGEWOOD GOVERNING BODY AT A SCHEDULED MEETING HELD JANUARY 11, 2020.

Mayor John Bassett

Dated

ATTEST: Juan Torres Clerk/Treasurer

Dated



Mid-Region Council of Governments

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor John Bassett, Town Council

From: Maida Rubin, Senior Planner, MRCOG Regional Planning Program

Date: January 7, 2020

Re: Edgewood Comprehensive Plan

This memo includes the following items:

1. The list of edits from the December 4th meeting requested by Council that MRCOG staff have made.
2. Some small additional edits MRCOG staff have done to correct several typos, formatting inconsistencies, and minor errors.
3. Several edits that have been requested by staff for Council consideration but that have not been changed in the document.

1. The following edits were requested by the Edgewood Town Council at the December 4, 2019 Council meeting. MRCOG staff have included these changes in the January 11, 2020 draft comprehensive plan.

- Include sewer lines in Figure 21: Wastewater Service Area map (p.39)
- Replace duplicate trails map on p.48 with correct map (Figure 26: Roads Maintained by Edgewood)
- Add Blue Bus and Park and Ride pick up locations on Transportation Facilities and Traffic Flow map (Figure 25, p.47)
- Include questionnaire report as Appendix D
- Reference 2015 asset management plan and 2016 PER in Wastewater Disposal System section (p.39)
- Remove reference to affordable housing (p.76)
- Include proposed edits from Linda Burke of the Greater Edgewood Area Chamber of Commerce, who was a member of the comprehensive plan steering committee. Her edits are as follows:

- pg. 38: Use similar stats and language to describe the Entranosa and EPCOR water providers. Ensure the data used is the most current available.
- pg. 39: The two paragraphs near the top of the page, second column, were confusing. There was a need for clarification on what specific work was being done to correct what specific issue(s) that would begin in late 2019 or early 2020. The next a paragraph needs clarification on what specific corrective measures were taken in 2018 and for what issue(s).
- pg. 43: Equestrian Center -- paragraph reads like a specific party is not identified. It appears that it should have said, "*Edgewood* hopes to enter back into an agreement..." But, during the Council meeting it was disclosed that there has not been an agreement since 2012, so there is some confusion as to who wants an agreement. Although, there seemed to be concern about if the location is being managed adequately and what happens to water during freezing temps, etc.
 - MRCOG staff removed the statement about the agreement.
- pg. 46: End of Trail occurs annually in **June**, not April as stated.
- pg. 49: Missing a paragraph break between paragraphs 2 and 3.
- pg. 71: Water Goal C: The Strategy should be to collaborate with private water entities as "On-going" not "10-20 years" (this is necessary because the town's residents only water sources are private water companies, private wells, or water hauling). The commercial district is supplied by Epcor (I think exclusively, I don't believe Entranosa has lines in the commercial district).
- pg. 73: Goal G - Section 16 Master Plan - revisit the plan should be "1-5 years" (at least, if not On-going), not "5-10 years" We need to have a vision/idea of what that should be in the event an opportunity arises or can be carried.

MRCOG staff have not changed any proposed action strategy time frames in the draft document. Staff recommendation is that where Council takes issue with certain time frames for the strategies, the Council should take one last vote on the specific time frames in question at the January 11 meeting.

2. The following are a list of minor edits MRCOG staff have made to correct several typos, formatting inconsistencies, and minor errors.

- a) P.21: Capitalize "Hispanic" and "White."
- b) Capitalize "State" where appropriate throughout the document.
- c) P.25: Second paragraph somewhat unclear. Staff have reworded the paragraph to better reflect the data presented in the corresponding chart.
- d) P.27: Specify that First Choice Medical Center's *new facility* opened in Edgewood since First Choice was previously in Edgewood in a different location.

- e) P.31 "Minutes" misspelled in figure 31.
- f) P.33: Capitalize Municipal Way.
- g) P.33: There are 32 people employed by the Town of Edgewood not 13.
- h) P.34: Word "credible" not "creditable" in top right paragraph.
- i) P.34: Capitalize "Animal Care and Control Ordinance" and "Ordinance."
- j) P.39: Include "(PER)" after "Preliminary Engineering Report."
- k) P.39: Reference the "purple" rather than "red" lines in Figure 21.
- l) P.40: Remove statement that the airpark plans to expand in the near future. Old information. (Pending Removal)
- m) P.42: Remove "Currently there are no additional facilities (dog park, restroom, etc.) planned in E.C.H.O. Ridge Park. Old information.
- n) P.42: Second paragraph, reference Figure 22 not Figure 21.
- o) P.43: Third paragraph, reference Figure 23 not Figure 22.
- p) P.43: Add that Santa Fe County owns "and operates" the Equestrian Center.
- q) P.45: Swap fire station and courthouse in Figure 24.
- r) P.46: Reference Figure 24 not 23 in second paragraph; reference Figure 24 not 23 in third paragraph.
- s) P.49: Top paragraph, "...relocated to Edgewood in 2008" changed to "relocated to the Edgewood vicinity in 2008."
- t) P.49: Reference Figure 28 not 24.
- u) P.51: Reference Figure 29 not 28.
- v) P.53: Reference Figure 30 not 29; "Versus" not "Verses" in blue call-out box; under Residential Land Use paragraph, 21.54 percent not 21.55.
- w) P.55: "Mixed Use" Zone, not "Multiuse."
- x) P.57: Capitalize "Charter School"; 2013 instead of 2018 for when the Edgewood Elementary School closed.
- y) P.63: Building permit data provided by the NM Regulation and Licensing Department, not the Public Regulating Commission.
- z) P.67: Remove word "below."

3. The following are edits that have been requested by staff for Council consideration but that have not been changed in the document.

- a. P.15: Mention that the annexation finalized in 2017 began in 2015.
- b. P.40: Add that the Blue Bus provides round-trip service Monday through Friday.

Feel free to contact me with any questions at 505-724-3602 or mrubin@mrcog-nm.gov

Town of Edgewood Comprehensive Land Use Plan

*Adopted by Town Council **DATE***



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Comprehensive Land Use Plan for the Town of Edgewood, New Mexico

Adopted by Town Council

Date

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CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION

Purpose

Plan Overview

Plan Methodology and Process

Change is a fundamental characteristic of every community. Planning for this change with a comprehensive land use plan helps establish a framework to guide the physical development of the Town of Edgewood. As such, it provides policy guidance and a common direction for the Town's Mayor and Council, special committees such as the Planning and Zoning Commission, administrative staff and, most importantly, the general public.

Since the previous comprehensive plan was adopted, the Town has grown in population and land, and many of the amenities and services prioritized in the previous plan have now been implemented. The focus of this plan is to preserve the Town's assets and character, while ensuring sustainability for the future.

Purpose

An adopted comprehensive plan accomplishes several important objectives: it serves as a guide for future decisions about growth and development; it provides relevant information about the character of the community; it fulfills a legal requirement for municipal zoning regulations; and it serves as a point of reference for other more specific types of plans and programs in the community. This comprehensive plan promotes a long-range 20-year vision of Edgewood through the use of goals, objectives, and action recommendations for approaching a desirable and successful future.

While this comprehensive plan is oriented to a 20-plus-year horizon, it is important to realize that conditions can change quickly in a rapidly growing community such as Edgewood. Consequently, planning should be seen as a process that requires continual review of the official plan document followed by updates and modifications as necessary. As a general rule, the State of New Mexico Local Government Division recommends that a comprehensive plan be updated every five years in order to remain current.

Plan Overview

1 | Introduction

The Introduction explains the purpose of the comprehensive plan and the methodology and process used to build the plan.

2 | Community Profile

The Community Profile describes the essential character of the Town by providing information about community's regional setting and history, demographics, public facilities, and community amenities and attractions.

3 | Trends and Projections

The Trends and Projections chapter presents forecast data on population, housing, and employment to the year 2040.

4 | Goals, Objectives, and Action Strategies

This chapter includes the Town's goals, objectives that would show progress toward these goals, and potential actions that can be taken to help the Town achieve this community vision. The goals, actions, and strategies were developed through community workshops, and approved by the Town Council by resolution (see Appendices A and B). Additionally, the Town Council voted on the time frame priority for each action. These rankings are included next to each action.

Plan Methodology and Process

Previous Plans:

The Town of Edgewood is a relatively new municipality; yet, within a year of incorporation, a comprehensive plan was completed and adopted by the Town Council in October 2000. That Plan was entitled, “Town of Edgewood Comprehensive Master Plan.” In 2008, the Town adopted a new and updated plan, titled “Town of Edgewood Comprehensive Land Use Plan.” The 2008 Comprehensive Plan focused on enhancing the Town’s character, providing necessary public services in the Town, and strengthening connections between areas of commerce, recreation, and cultural opportunities in Edgewood. The 2008 Plan provided a starting point for developing this comprehensive plan.

Steering Committee:

The purpose of a comprehensive plan steering committee is to support the planning process as a local group of individuals representing the diverse interests and opinions of the community, and to oversee the development of the comprehensive plan. In accordance with the Town’s Zoning Ordinance, one of the duties of the Planning and Zoning Commission is to revise or amend the comprehensive plan. Since the Planning and Zoning Commission is regularly engaged in reviewing and implementing the Edgewood 2008 Comprehensive Plan, they were best suited to serve as the steering committee for this comprehensive plan. In addition, there was representation from the Greater Edgewood Area Chamber of Commerce and from the Town’s Parks and Recreation Committee on the steering committee since economic development and recreation are key focus areas for the Town.

The comprehensive plan steering committee helped vet the topics and questions in the public questionnaire for relevance; further develop the

goals, objectives, and action strategies language that was presented to the public for input; and assist MRCOG and Edgewood staff at public workshops by facilitating table discussions. Various drafts of the text and mapping included in this comprehensive plan were submitted to the steering committee for review and comment as the plan document was prepared.

The writing, research, statistical analysis, mapping, and graphics for this comprehensive plan were conducted and prepared by the staff of the Mid-Region Council of Governments (MRCOG), under a Planning Services Agreement with the Town. In effect, the MRCOG staff served as a supplemental staff to the Town for writing the plan document. The majority of the photographs in this document were graciously provided by Edgewood residents.

Public Participation:

A public meeting was held on September 12, 2018, to kick off the comprehensive plan process and open a questionnaire to the public. The questionnaire aimed to gauge public sentiment about various development issues in the Town, such as upgrading roads to hard surface, and allowing pockets of commercial development in residential areas. The results of the questionnaire are discussed in more detail in the report titled “Town of Edgewood, New Mexico, Questionnaire Report: Public Opinion About Future Development” that was finalized in January, 2019.

After the survey closed and the responses were compiled, three two-hour workshops were held to present this information to the public and to gather input on community priorities. The public provided valuable insight and assisted in editing the language of the plan’s goals and objectives. On February 20, 2019, Town Council formally adopted the goals and objectives of the

comprehensive plan by resolution.

In order to identify specific actions to actualize the Town's goals and attain their associated objectives, the Town held a three-hour public workshop on April 12, 2019. Attendees identified action strategies that were then vetted by the steering committee and town staff. These were then recommended by the Planning Commission on May 28, 2019, and discussed at Town Council over the course of two hearings. The Town Council passed the action strategies to implement the goals and objectives by resolution on June 19, 2019, along with a slightly revised version of the goals and objectives (see Appendices A and B). Chapter 4 includes the plan's goals, objectives, and action strategies.

Town Council also ranked the action strategies by implementation timeframe (short-range, mid-range, long-range, and ongoing). The action strategies' time frame priority rankings are included in Chapter 4.

At each of the public hearings to adopt the plan's goals and objectives, action strategies, and ultimately the plan itself, the public had the opportunity to provide input. This comprehensive plan was introduced at the **November 20, 2019** Town Council hearing and was adopted on **December 4, 2019** by resolution (See Appendix C).



Photo courtesy of Roxie Carpenter.

CHAPTER 2 COMMUNITY PROFILE

Regional Setting

History and Community Character

Demographic Information

Community Facilities and Services

Current and Future Land use

In order to plan for future development in the Town of Edgewood, it is important to understand the historical influences, geographic setting, and present conditions that characterize the community. This section of the plan establishes a Community Profile, which describes the regional setting, history of settlement, demographic statistics and data, and an overview of community facilities and public services that are currently available in Edgewood.

Regional Setting

The Town of Edgewood is located in the southwestern corner of Santa Fe County, although portions of the incorporated Town lie within Bernalillo and Sandoval Counties. The primary entrance to the Town is the freeway interchange where New Mexico Highway 344 crosses Interstate 40. This interchange is approximately 20 miles east of the City of Albuquerque. While located mostly within Santa Fe County, the Town of Edgewood is about 50 miles southwest of the City of Santa Fe, the State Capitol and County Seat. The closest municipalities to Edgewood include the City of Moriarty in Torrance County and the Village of Tijeras in Bernalillo County (see Figure 1).

Edgewood is appropriately named, as it is situated where the forested areas of the Sandia Mountains meet the grasslands of the Estancia basin. The Estancia Basin is a large, enclosed valley, which drains to a central area where mostly dry salt lakes exist as remnants of a



Photo courtesy of Roger Holden.

huge prehistoric lake formed during the last Ice Age. Another defining geographic feature of the Edgewood area is South Mountain, a prominent high point, which overlooks the northern and northwestern portions of the Town.

The Town of Edgewood is attractive to people who desire a rural lifestyle with large residential lots, remote to major urban areas. Edgewood remains dependent on regional economic centers, as much of the Edgewood workforce commutes to Albuquerque, Santa Fe, Moriarty, and other destinations for work; however a growing share of Edgewood residents are

employed in the Town. In fact, Edgewood’s share of residents working in Edgewood has increased by more than half between the year 2000 and 2017 (5.9 percent to 9.4 percent)¹.

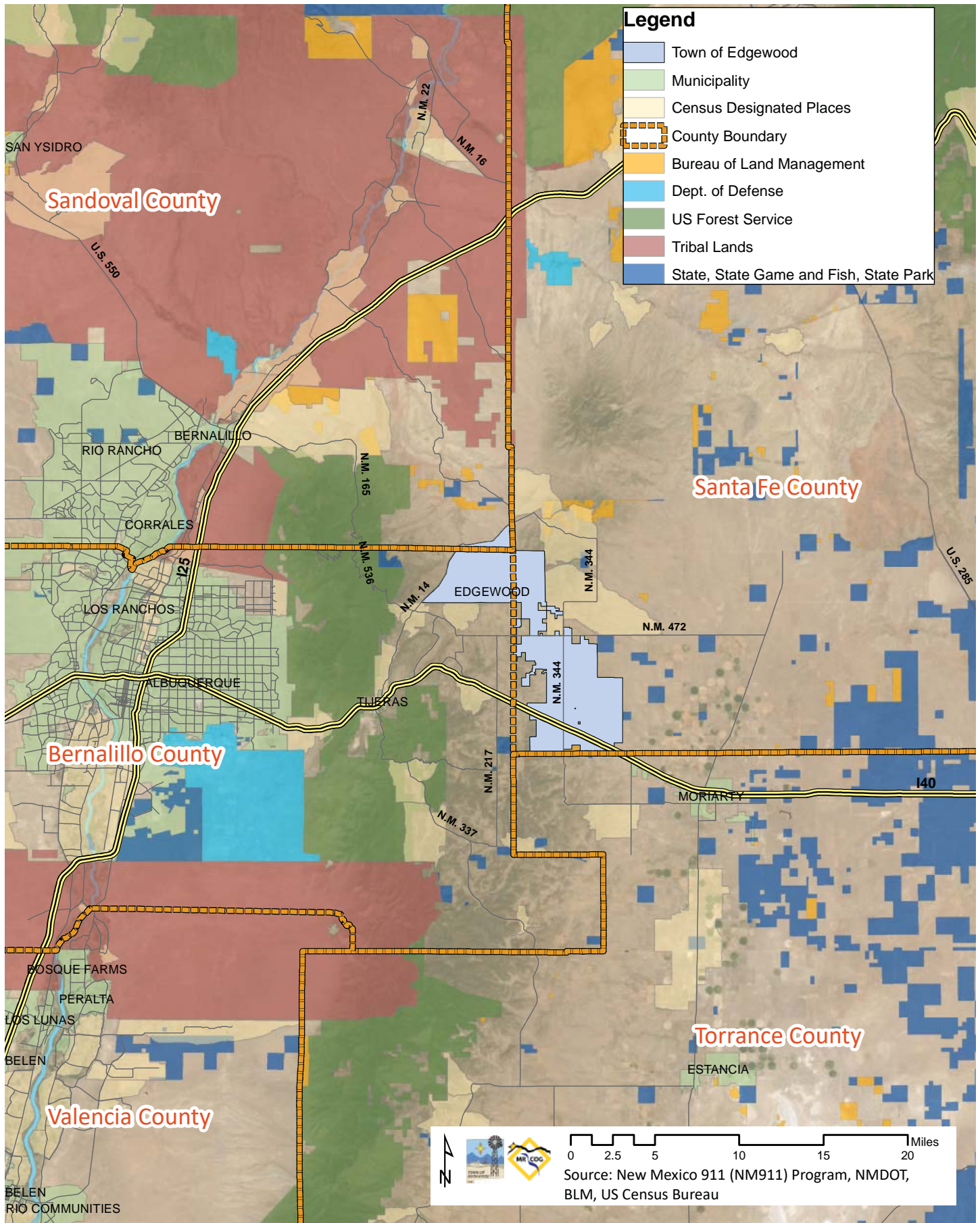
Edgewood generally qualifies as part of the Albuquerque metropolitan region, even though the Sandia Mountain Range creates a substantial buffer between Edgewood and the City of Albuquerque.



Photo courtesy of Roger Holden.

¹Source: U.S. Census Bureau, OnTheMap Application and LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics (Beginning of Quarter Employment, 2nd Quarter of 2002-2017)

Figure 1: Regional Map



History and Community Character



Building Terraces. Photo courtesy of Brad Hill.

Homesteaders moving into the American West created the initial settlements that grew into what is now the Town of Edgewood. Taking advantage of the federal Homestead Act, pioneer families obtained land claims and began farming and ranching in the Edgewood area during the late 1800s and early 1900s. Many descendants of the founding families remain today. Most well known are the Horton, Bassett, and Hill families who arrived around 1908-1909. Although subsistence farming prevailed, dry-land bean farming took off in the 1920s as the major cash crop in the Estancia Valley. The 1930s and 1940s were the peak years for the pinto bean industry in this area, but it came to an abrupt end around 1950. The entire region was affected by a major drought during the

1950s; and accompanying dust bowl conditions destroyed the productive farmland for many years afterward. Even today, farming in the Estancia Basin is dependent on groundwater pumped from irrigation wells.

In spite of the drought of the 1950s, rural communities continued to grow along the fringe of the Estancia Valley where the natural resources of the woodlands and forests of the Sandia and Manzano Mountains attracted more residents and businesses. Many of the new residents came from the Rio Grande Valley in search of a rural or pastoral way of life. In the region in and around Edgewood, early construction of community-oriented facilities and public works occurred partly as a result of



Edgewood Bean Bags Near 101 Motel, Carrol, Phyllis, Gordon Basset. Photo courtesy of Carrol Bassett.

depression-era programs such as those of the Works Progress Administration (WPA) and the Civilian Conservation Corps. For example, the WPA built a schoolhouse in the Edgewood area in the 1930s. Electricity was brought into the region in the 1940s; and the first post office in Edgewood was built in the 1960s. The name of the Town of Edgewood also evolved through time, with such names as Venus, Mountain View,

New Barton, and Barton in past years.

One of the most important locational factors for the Town of Edgewood today is its history relating to regional and national transportation networks. With the opening of the New Mexico Central Railway from Lamy to Torrance in 1903, the Estancia Valley was made accessible for homesteaders travelling by train from the East.



Graduating Class, December 19, 1944 in front of the Edgewood Schoolhouse, a Works Progress Administration (WPA) project. Photo source unknown.



Photo courtesy of Brad Hill.

A few established roadways were also present in the area and Edgewood was an important stop along westward travel routes before ascending and passing over the Sandia/Manzano mountain range.

Although Route 66 was commissioned through New Mexico in 1926, it was not until 1938 that the national highway was re-routed directly west from Santa Rosa through Edgewood to Albuquerque. Prior to that time, the road

originally turned north just west of Santa Rosa to Santa Fe, then south through Albuquerque to Los Lunas, then west through the Laguna and Acoma Indian Reservations. Today, Old Route 66 (currently designated as NM Highway 333) runs parallel to U.S. Interstate Highway 40 (I-40), which replaced U.S. 66 in 1985 and has become the principal thoroughfare for automobile traffic over the mountains. The interchange at I-40 and NM Highway 344 is the primary entrance to the Town of Edgewood, and has attracted most



C. Brad Jones/Ann Jones/Dick Jones pavement crew. Photo source unknown.



Barton Bean House, "Tijeras Canyon, Moriarty, New Mexico, Section of Human Surveys Page 58. UNM Library, <https://econtent.unm.edu/digital/collection/NMWaters/id/537>



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Charley's Hardware, 1984. Photo courtesy of Carrol Bassett.

of the current commercial development in the Town.

As farming and ranching settlements occurred in what is now the Edgewood area, a gridded, square-mile road network evolved from the rural section-line roads that provided access to residences and agricultural areas. Thus, the original farm-to-market road system has opened

up large areas to new subdivision development; and has effectively created a future street network for the Town of Edgewood and its surrounding community.

The current form of development is comprised of detached, low density residential areas with small commercial clusters along several major roadways of the region. Most notably,



Edgewood Fire Department. Photo courtesy of Carrol Bassett.

commercial development has grown along NM Highway 333 (Historic Route 66) and NM Highway 344, which forms a north-south spine for circulation through the Edgewood area. There are extensive open areas, which have been used in the past for grazing and other agricultural activities throughout the community. Although there are diminishing agricultural lands in the Edgewood area, there is still a desire among residents to acknowledge agriculture as part of the heritage of the community.

In 1977, the Edgewood Community Homeowners Organization (ECHO) was founded to protect local interests and define the needs of the Edgewood area to the Santa Fe County Commission, which had governmental jurisdiction over the community. The Santa Fe County Growth Management Plan allowed for the establishment of district plans (for subareas within the County), and the

Edgewood community district was subject to the regulations and administration of the Santa Fe County Land Development Code. Growing dissatisfaction with the County's administrative control and level of services provided by the County led to the consideration of incorporation as a municipality. ECHO was instrumental in initiating the move to incorporate, and in 1998 a special election was conducted to decide on the issue. As a result, the Town of Edgewood became an incorporated municipality of New Mexico on July 1, 1999.

Since its incorporation, the Town of Edgewood has expanded its municipal boundary multiple times. Its population has grown both as a result of these annexations and from attracting new residents. The Town has also increased its provision of services and amenities, as well as being home to new commercial development. More information on these topics is detailed in later sections of this Chapter.



Route 66 Run, Rally, Rock Town Celebration, 2017. Photo courtesy of Roger Holden.

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Demographic Information

Population

Edgewood’s population continues to grow but has leveled off relative to the immense growth it experienced from 2000 to 2010. In addition to this growth, Edgewood completed an infill annexation in 2017 that further increased the Town’s population by about 2000 people. Edgewood’s median age has increased from 35.5 in 2000 to 42.4 in 2010 and while it may not be of immediate concern, the Town should be aware of community services that may be needed in the next 20 years to accommodate a larger 65 and over population.

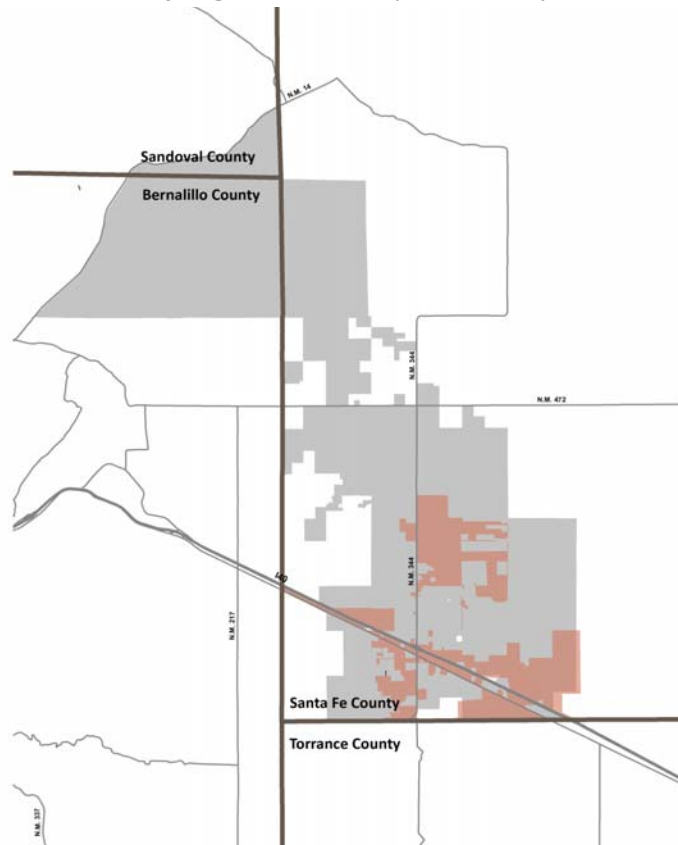
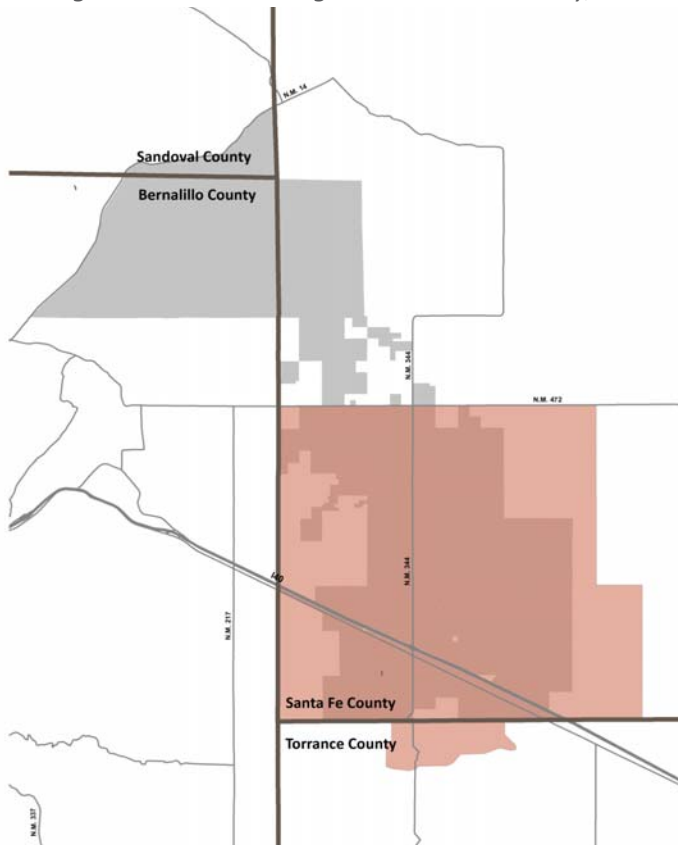
Prior to incorporation in 1999, Edgewood was classified by the Census Bureau as a Census Designated Place (CDP) with significantly different boundaries than it had for the 2000 Census as an incorporated municipality. A series of annexations occurred after the Town’s incorporation, including Campbell Ranch in 2001, and an approximately 18,214 acre

annexation in 2007, among others. While these annexations created most of the Town’s municipal limits that exist today, it left a “swiss cheese” pattern of unincorporated land inside of the Town’s boundary. In 2017 the Town finalized a sizeable infill annexation to include nearly all of the areas within the municipal boundary that were previously not part of the Town. The

Figure 2, A-D: Edgewood Boundary Over Time

A. Edgewood Census Designated Place Boundary, 1990*

B. Town of Edgewood Municipal Boundary, 2000*



*Edgewood boundary shown in pink.

Table 1: Population Growth

	2000	2010	2017*	Growth 2000-2010	Growth 2010-2017*
Edgewood town	1,893	3,735	3,892	97.3%	3.4%
Edgewood Annex**		2,137	2,210		3.4%
Edgewood total population		5,872	6,102		
Moriarty city	1,765	1,910	1,793	8.2%	-6.1%
Cedar Crest CDP	1,060	958	-	-9.6%	
Carnuel CDP	872	1,232	-	41.3%	
Cedar Grove CDP	599	747	-	24.7%	
Tijeras village	474	541	553	14.1%	1.8%

Source: *U.S. Census Bureau, Decennial Census, Annual Estimates of the Resident Population

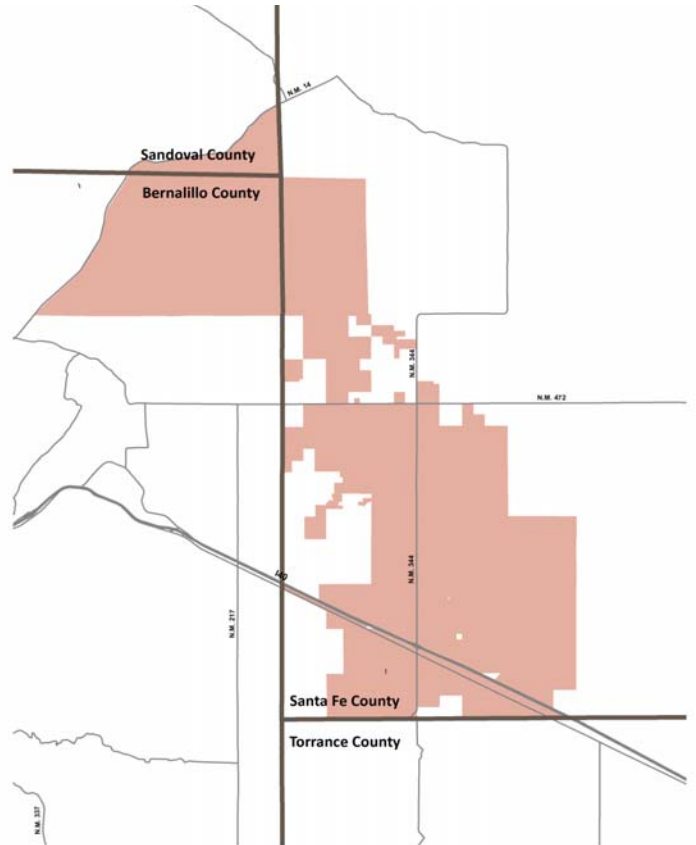
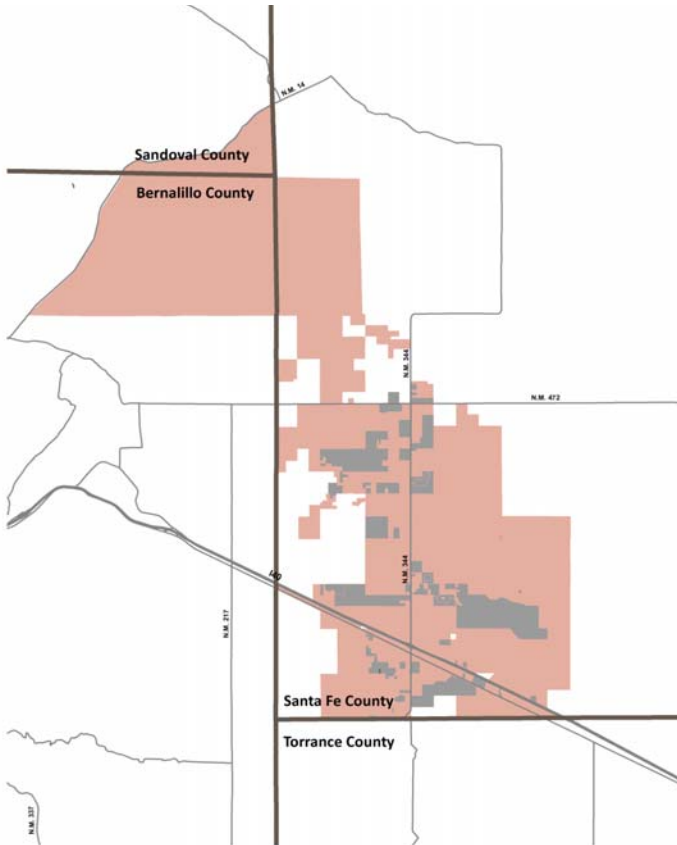
**The population growth rate of Edgewood’s census defined boundary was applied to the 2010 population in the annexed areas to estimate the 2017 population

annexation increased the Town’s population by just over 2,000 people, from approximately 3,892 to 6,102 people. Figure 2, A-D shows the evolution of Edgewood’s municipal boundary, and Figure 3 shows the Town’s most recent annexation.

As shown in Table 1, over the 20 year period from 2000 to 2010, Edgewood’s population grew by 97.3 percent from an estimated 1,893 to 3,735 people. In addition to population growth, this increase was due to annexations of areas

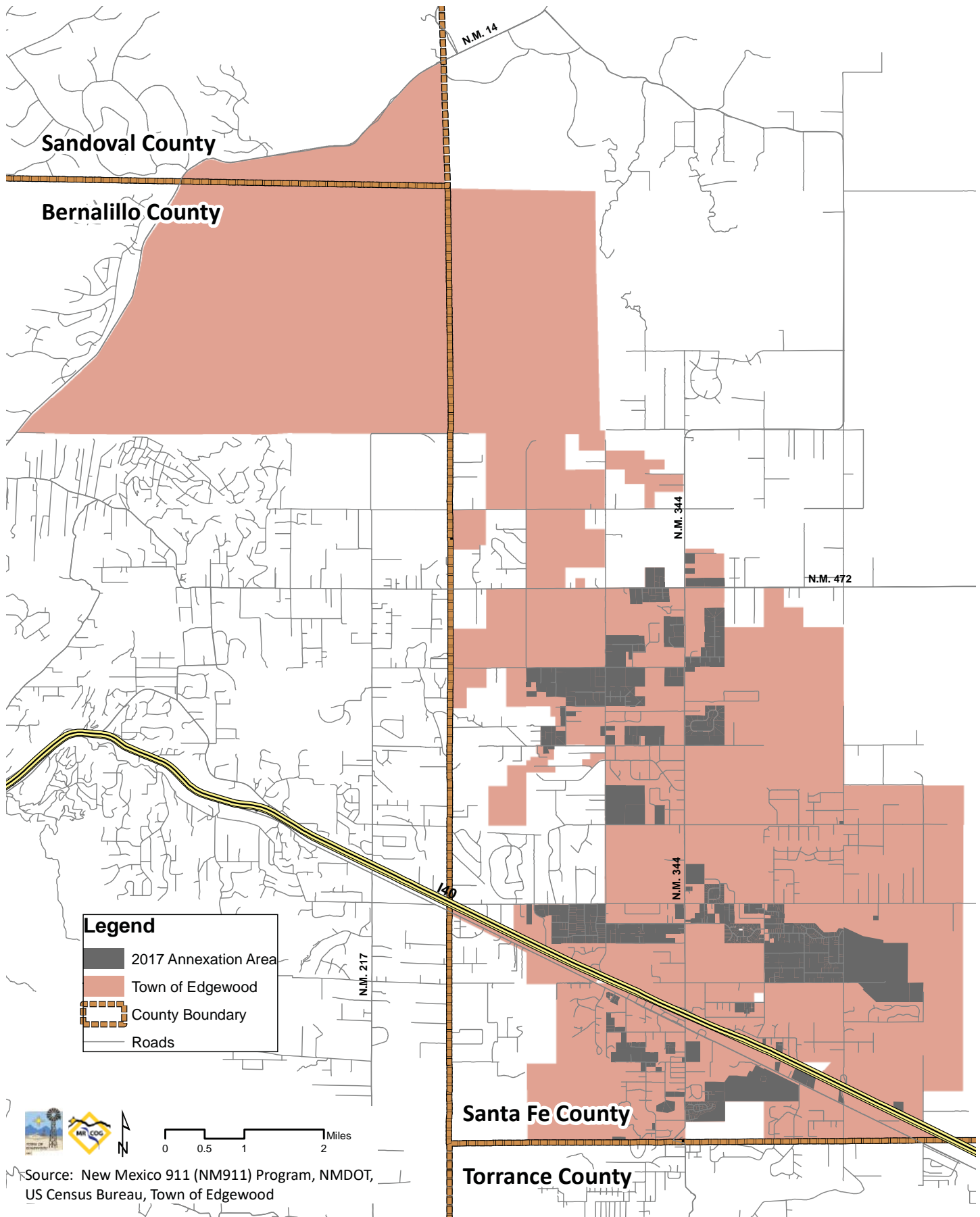
C. Town of Edgewood Municipal Boundary, 2010*

D. Town of Edgewood Municipal Boundary, 2017*



*Edgewood boundary shown in pink.

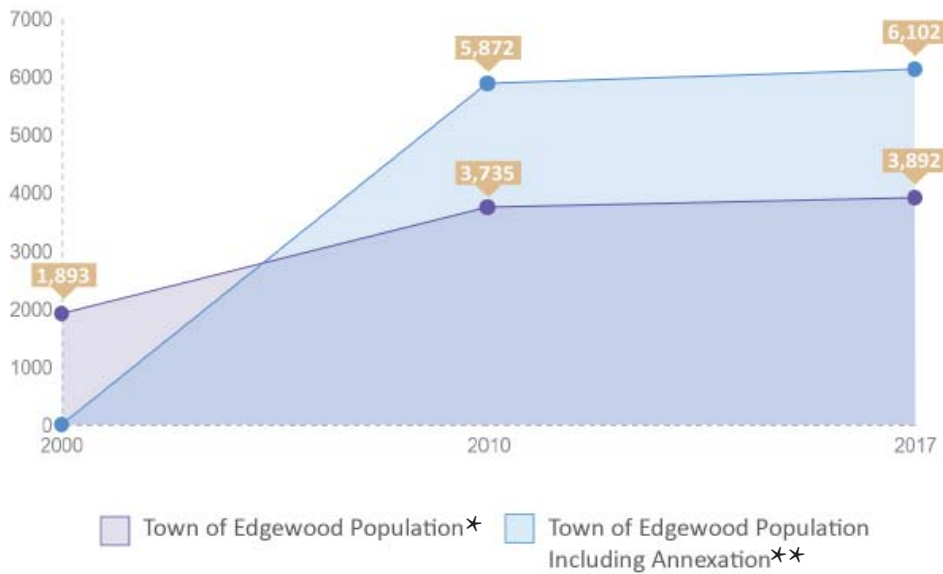
Figure 3: Edgewood Annexation, 2017



that were already populated, such as Square H. While population growth remained strong in the following seven years, the growth rate fell dramatically from just under 10 percent annually to just under three and a half percent, a drop that is likely due to the recession. This growth rate reduction was not unique to the area, and

in fact Edgewood shows higher growth rates between 2010 and 2017 than its neighbors Tijeras (1.8 percent) and Moriarty (-6.1 percent). Edgewood's population growth between 2000 and 2017 and the population growth within the 2017 annexation areas are shown in Figure 4.

Figure 4: Town of Edgewood Population



Source: *U.S. Census Bureau, Decennial Census, Annual Estimates of the Resident Population

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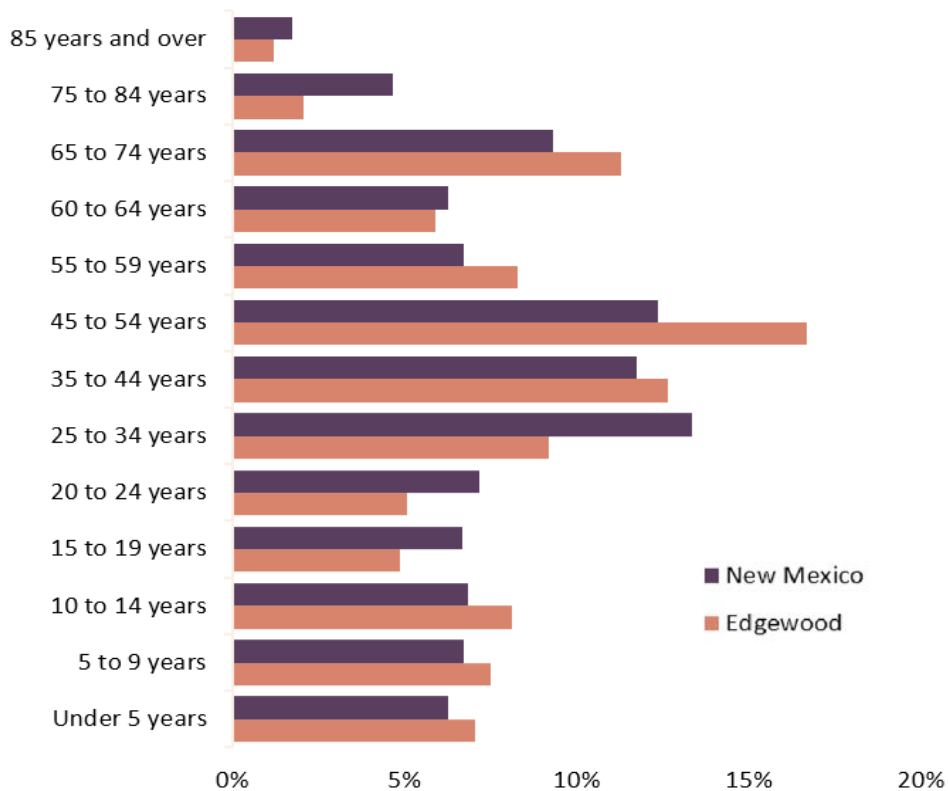
Photo courtesy of Roger Holden.

Figure 5 shows Edgewood’s population broken out into five year age increments and compared to the same information for the state as a whole. Edgewood tracks closely with the state in its distribution of persons under the age of 14, accounting for 23 percent of the population. This indicates a need for amenities and activities for young people in Edgewood.

There is a slight drop off population between the ages of 15 and 24 that becomes more pronounced in the 25 to 34 age category. A variety of factors likely contribute to this, beginning with the lack of higher educational institutions in Edgewood. Another factor that may contribute to this is the lack of high-paying jobs in the Edgewood area that could attract a younger workforce.

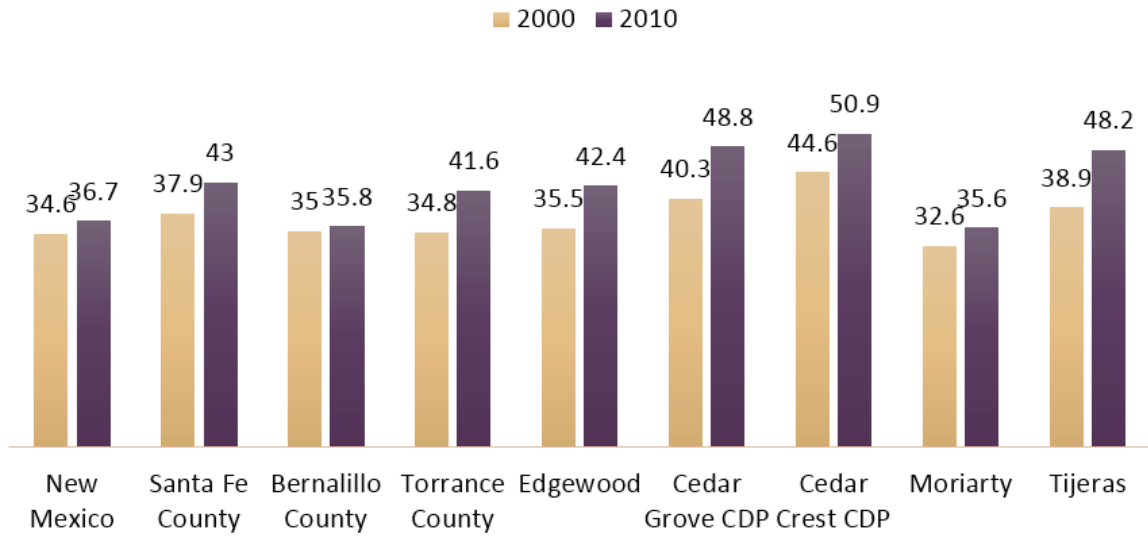
Where Edgewood shows a larger share of population than the state is in the 45 to 54 age category and in the 65 to 74 category. While senior services may not be an urgent need at the moment due to the Town’s relatively smaller share of persons 75 and over, the Town should be aware that in order to accommodate these larger 45 to 54 and 65 to 74 age groups as they age, Edgewood will need to plan to accommodate more people aging in place. As shown in Figure 6, Edgewood’s median age has increased from 35.5 in 2000 to 42.4 in 2010, an upward trend found in many neighboring communities, and to a lesser degree the state of New Mexico.

Figure 5: Age Distribution, Edgewood and New Mexico



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2012-2016 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Figure 6: Median Age, 2000 and 2010



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Decennial Census, 2000 and 2010



Brews on Bachelor, 2018. Photo courtesy of Teresa Farley.

Table 2: Education Level for Persons Age 25 and Over

	Edgewood	Moriarty	Tijeras	Santa Fe Co	New Mexico
No diploma or GED	5%	19%	8%	11%	15%
HS Diploma or GED	25%	38%	32%	22%	26%
Some College	37%	28%	34%	25%	32%
Bachelor's Degree	20%	13%	8%	21%	15%
Graduate or Professional Degree	12%	2%	18%	20%	12%

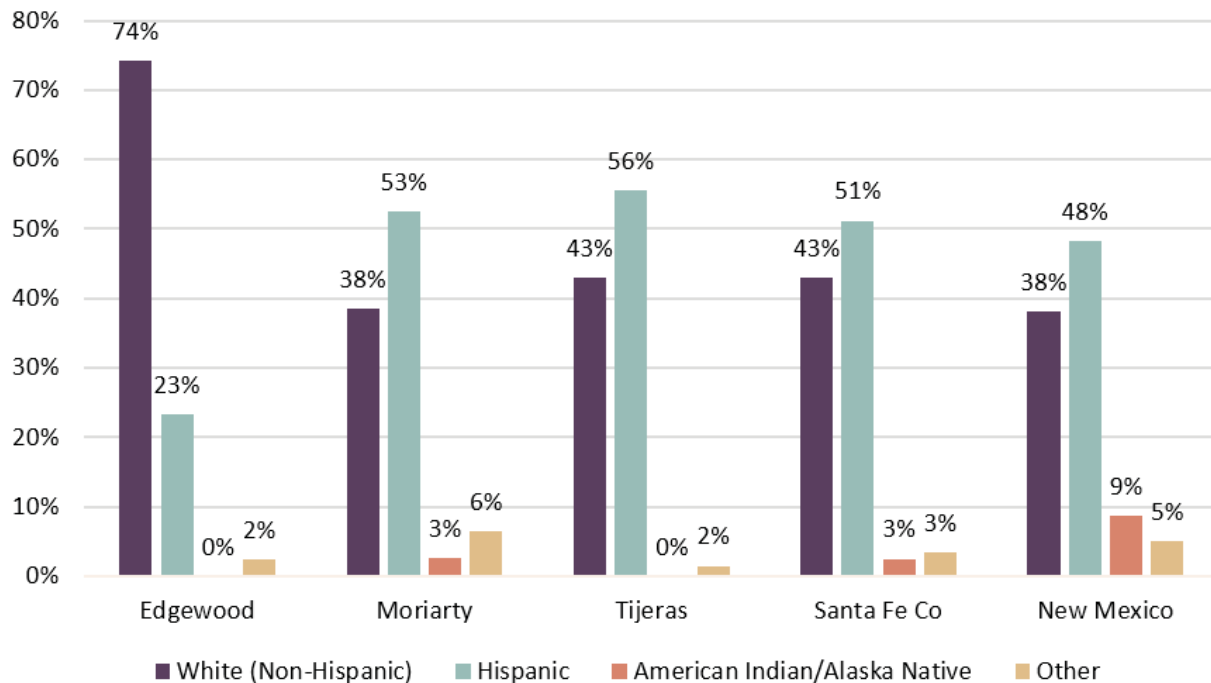
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Table 2 presents a comparison of the educational levels in the population of Edgewood with neighboring communities, Santa Fe County, and New Mexico. In general, Edgewood has a very low percentage of persons age 25 and over with no high school diploma or GED (5 percent) and a somewhat high percentage of residents with some college education (37 percent) or a bachelor’s degree (20 percent) compared to the state and surrounding area. The percentage of Edgewood

residents with a graduate or professional degree is much higher than its neighbor Moriarty, lower than Tijeras and Santa Fe County, but tracks with the State.

Edgewood has a higher percentage of residents identifying as “White” (74 percent) and a lower percentage of residents identifying as “Hispanic” (23 percent) than its neighbors Moriarty and Tijeras, Santa Fe County, and the State (see Figure 7).

Figure 7: Race and Ethnicity



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Housing

Edgewood has a relatively new and stable housing stock, with a high percentage of owner-occupied units and a low vacancy rate. Most of the homes in Edgewood are single-family units, with few multifamily homes. This is a trend consistent with neighboring communities. Edgewood has less than half the share of rental units compared to neighboring communities, Santa Fe County, and the state, indicating that those locating to Edgewood will likely be purchasing a home rather than renting.

In 2016 the Town of Edgewood had approximately 1,553 housing units. The annexation added approximately 887 units, totaling 2,440 housing units in the Town of Edgewood. Edgewood’s housing stock is relatively new, with the bulk of its residential growth having taken place between 1980 and 2009 (see Table 3). Between 2010 and 2017 there was a stark drop off in new development, a trend that is mirrored in the surrounding areas and the State. This is most likely due to the recession and the slow recovery that followed.

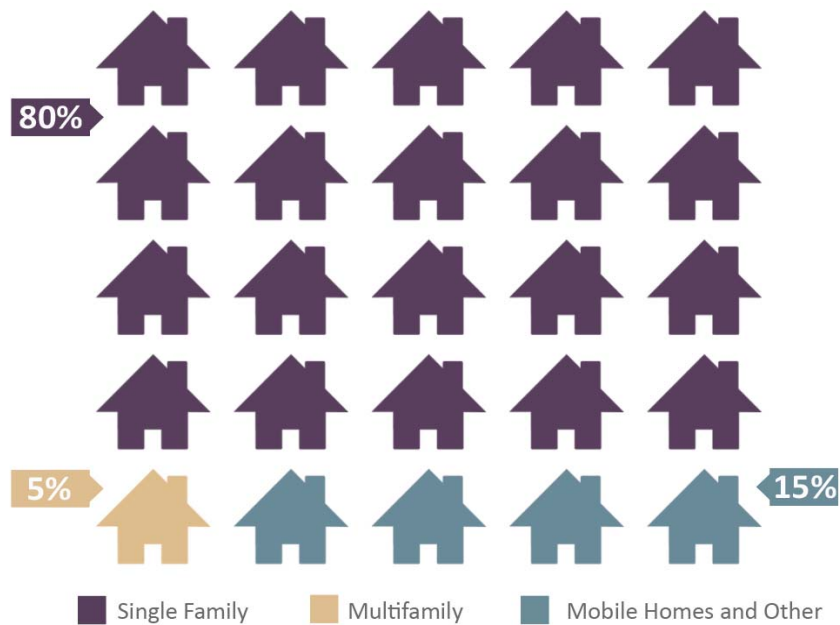
The US Census tracks housing type using the following three categories: “single family units,” “multifamily units,” and “mobile homes and other.” Manufactured housing is included in the “single family” category, and housing units that have a permanent towing structure, or can move on their own such as recreational vehicles are included in the “mobile homes and other” category. Figure 8 presents housing units by type in Edgewood, and Table 4 presents a comparison with the neighboring communities and the State.

Table 3: Households

Housing - Year Built	Edgewood	Moriarty	Tijeras	Santa Fe Co	New Mexico
Built 2014 or later	1%	2%	0%	1%	1%
Built 2010 to 2013	1%	1%	0%	2%	2%
Built 2000 to 2009	29%	19%	3%	20%	16%
Built 1990 to 1999	44%	24%	21%	23%	18%
Built 1980 to 1989	18%	9%	10%	17%	17%
Built 1970 to 1979	7%	20%	24%	15%	18%
Built 1960 to 1969	1%	12%	24%	7%	10%
Built 1950 to 1959	0%	5%	13%	6%	10%
Built 1940 to 1949	0%	3%	0%	3%	4%
Built 1939 or earlier	0%	4%	5%	6%	5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Figure 8: Housing Type



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Multifamily units account for five percent of housing in Edgewood. This is consistent with Tijeras and Moriarty but is about one third the share of multifamily units in Santa Fe County and New Mexico, both having 15 percent.

According to the American Community Survey 2013-2017 Estimates, Edgewood has a lower percentage of vacant housing units (eight percent) than Moriarty (21 percent), Tijeras (16 percent), Santa Fe County (15 percent), or New Mexico (17 percent). A majority of the homes in Edgewood are occupied by their owners (81

percent), indicating a stable community where residents intend to settle as a matter of choice and are less inclined to move to another location (see Figure 9).

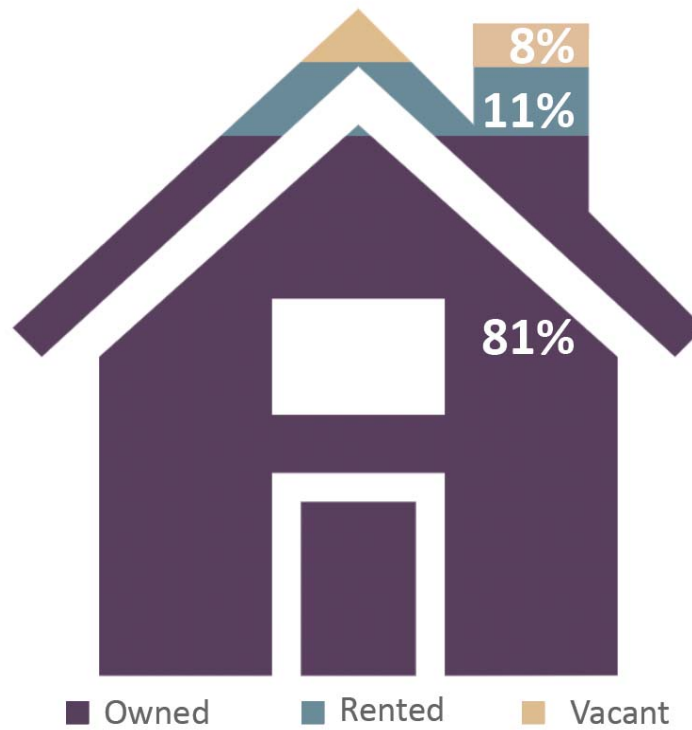
Edgewood has less than half the share of rental units compared to neighboring communities, Santa Fe County, and the state (see Figure 10), indicating that those locating to Edgewood will likely be purchasing a home rather than renting. This could be an impediment to young families moving to Edgewood.

Table 4: Housing Type, Comparison

	Edgewood	Moriarty	Tijeras	Santa Fe Co	New Mexico
Single Family Units	80%	67%	91%	71%	68%
Multifamily Units	5%	5%	5%	16%	15%
Mobile Homes and Other	15%	28%	4%	13%	17%

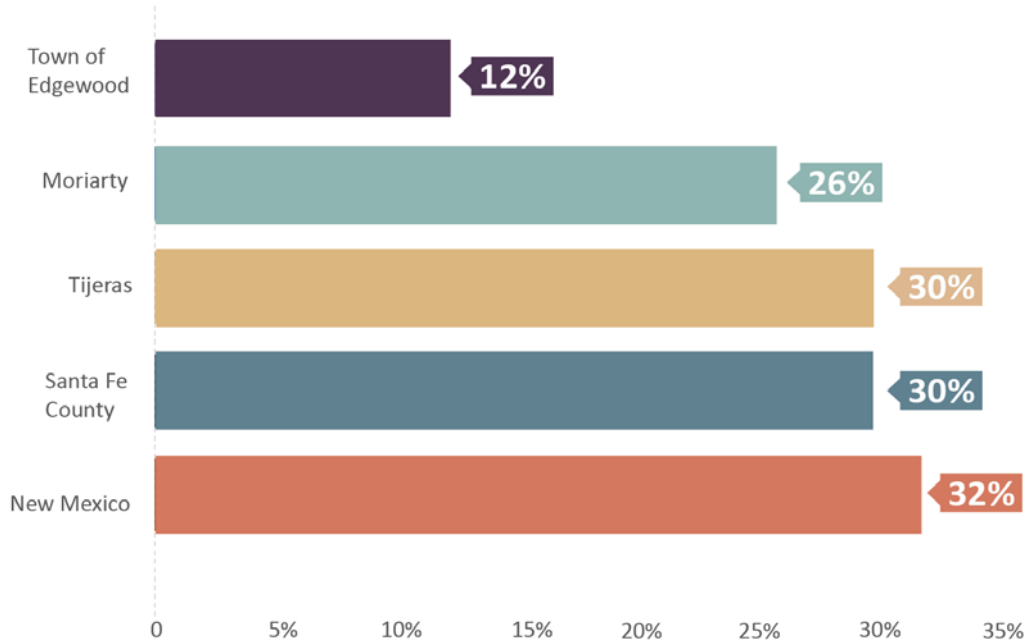
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Figure 9: Housing Tenure



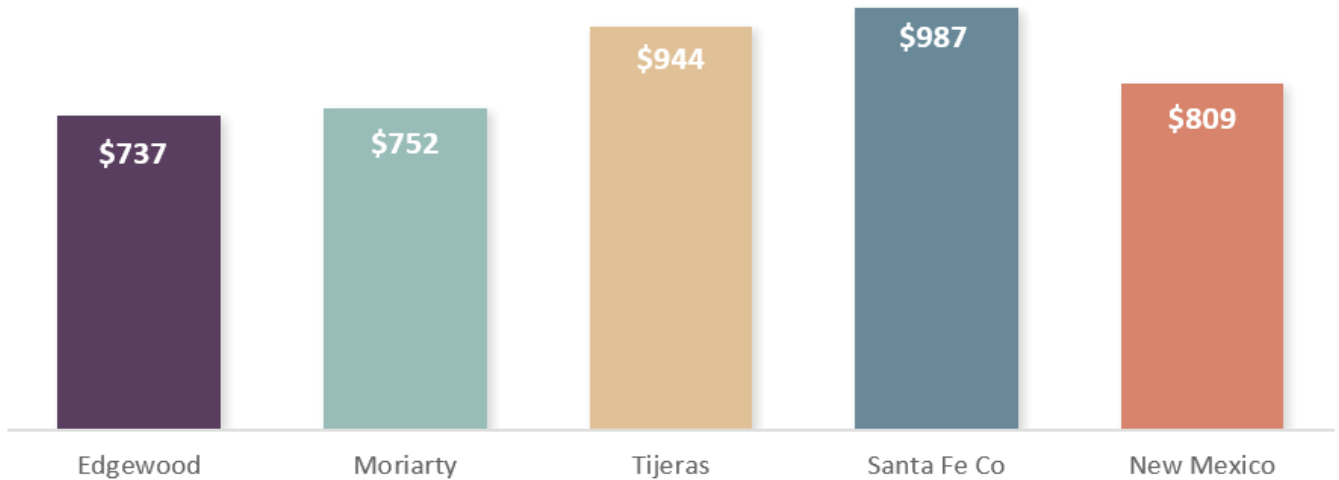
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Figure 10: Rental Households



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Figure 11: Median Rent



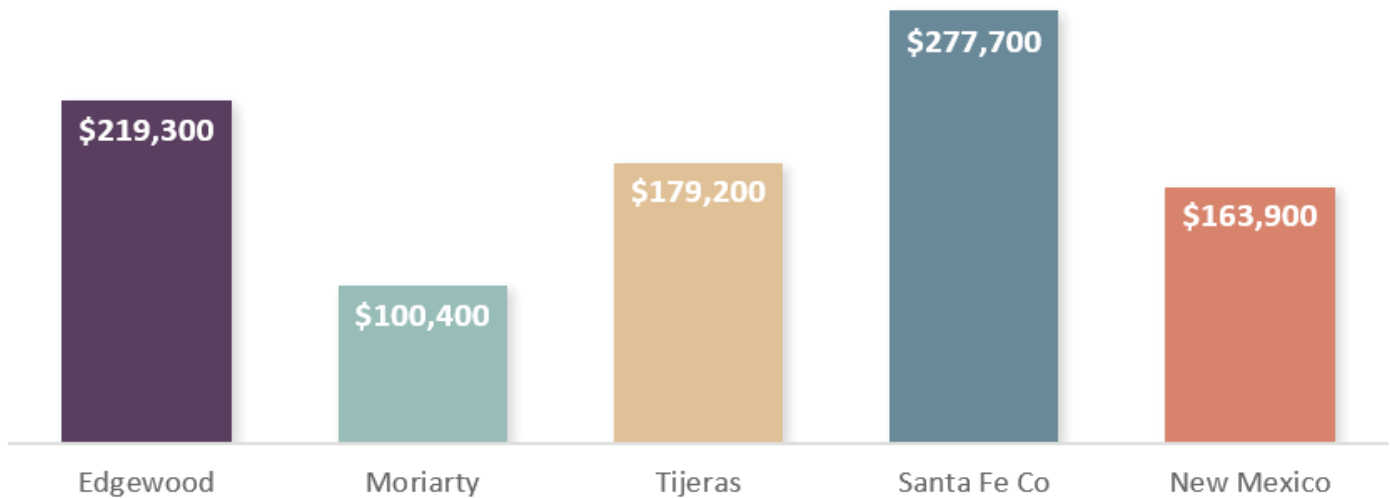
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

The Town of Edgewood has a comparable median rent to Moriarty and the state, which are more similar peers than Santa Fe County, whose rents are pulled upward by the City of Santa Fe (see Figure 11). While rents present as competitive, as mentioned previously, there are fewer units available to rent.

Figure 12 presents a comparison of median home values. In 2016 the median home value

in the Town of Edgewood was \$219,300. This is high when compared to Moriarty, Tijeras, and the State, and indicates a barrier to home ownership in Edgewood for certain income brackets that is not present in some neighboring municipalities. Santa Fe County is an outlier, with a much higher median home value than the abovementioned jurisdictions due to the City of Santa Fe's high median home value.

Figure 12: Median Home Value



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

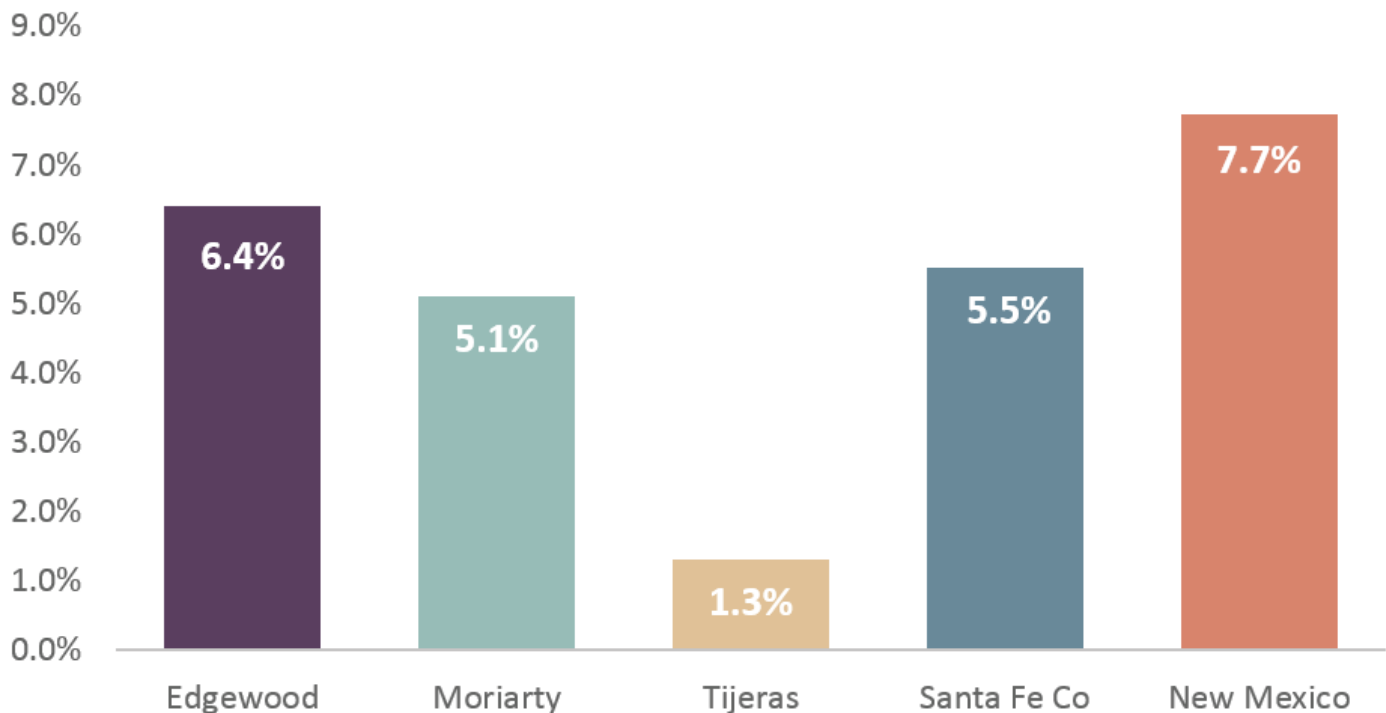
Employment

The socio-economic statistics for the Town of Edgewood provide insight into the general economy of the community. A healthy local economy is usually characterized by employment opportunities for residents within the community, an employed labor force, and an adequate tax base to generate revenue for the Town. The bulk of employment in Edgewood is in retail trade, due to the presence of large employers such as Wal-Mart and Smiths. Edgewood's unemployment rate is higher than neighboring communities but lower than the state.

Figure 13 presents a comparison of the unemployment rates for Edgewood, its close neighbors, the county, and the State. The US Census defines unemployed persons as civilians age 16 and over who were neither "at work" nor "with a job but not at work" during the reference week, were actively looking for work during the last four weeks, and were available to accept a job. Also included are civilians who did not work at all during the reference

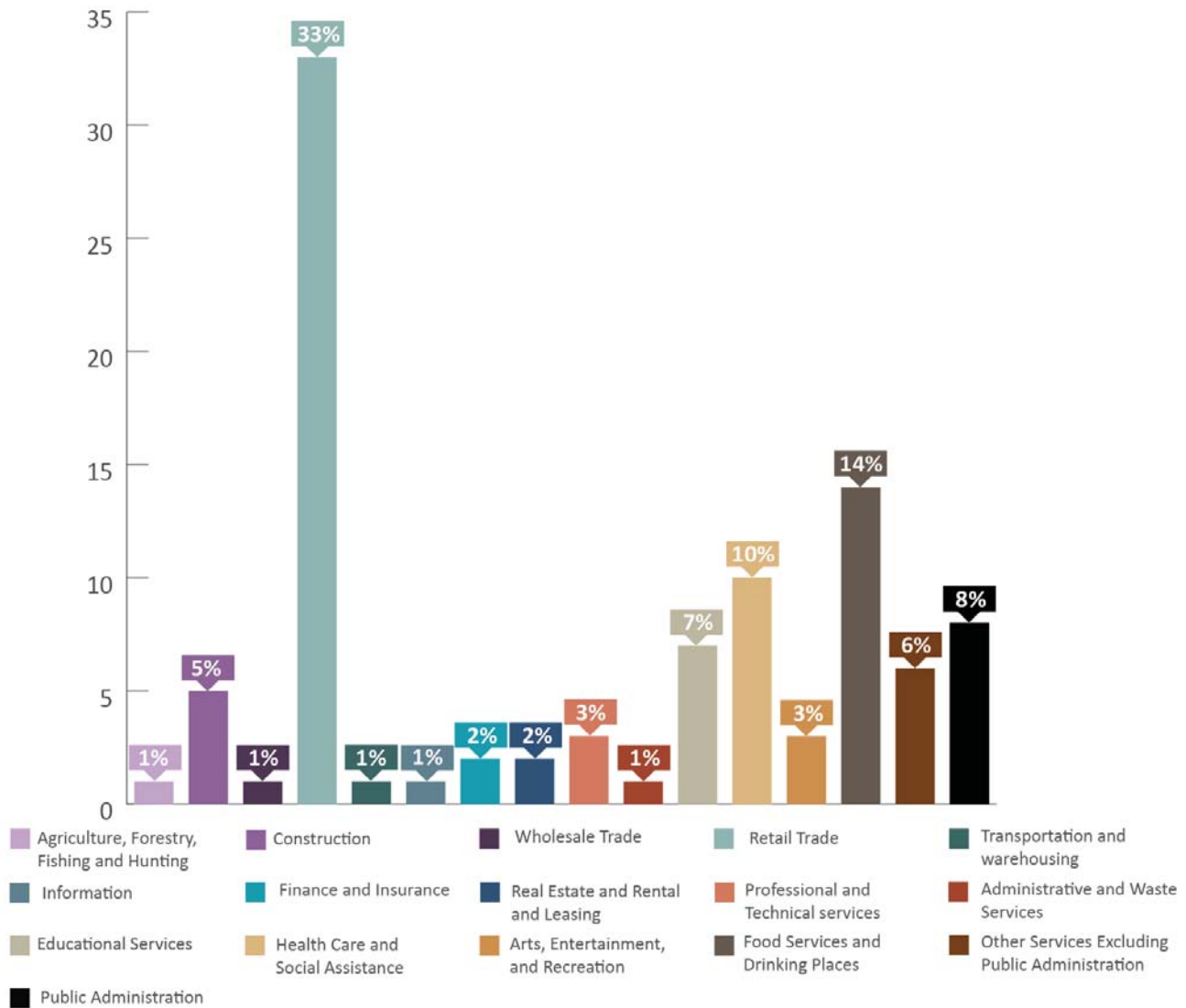
week, were waiting to be called back to a job from which they had been laid off, and were available for work except for temporary illness. The unemployment rate is the number of unemployed people as a percentage of the civilian labor force (US Census). Edgewood's unemployment rate is slightly higher than the City of Moriarty and Santa Fe County, and is slightly lower than the State of New Mexico.

Figure 13: Unemployment Rates



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Figure 14: Edgewood Employment by Industry



Source: Infogroup, 2016

Edgewood is beginning to transition from a rural bedroom community to a small town that is somewhat more self sustaining. Currently, retail trade accounts for the largest percentage of the jobs in Edgewood (33 percent), followed by food services and drinking places (14 percent), and health care and social assistance (10 percent). Large retail employers such as Wal-Mart and Smiths account for this large share of retail jobs.

The health care and social assistance job sector is poised to grow now that First Choice Medical Center’s new facility opened in Edgewood. In order to further diversify the local economy, the Town is also looking into attracting limited light industrial uses. More high paying jobs in Edgewood could potentially help attract and retain a larger share of young families.

Income and Poverty

Household income in Edgewood spans a broad range, from under \$10,000 annually to over \$200,000, with 43 percent of households reporting earning \$75,000 or more. This range of incomes tracks fairly similarly to Santa Fe County, along with Edgewood’s share of the population living below the poverty level, at 13.3 percent compared to Santa Fe County at 14.4 percent.

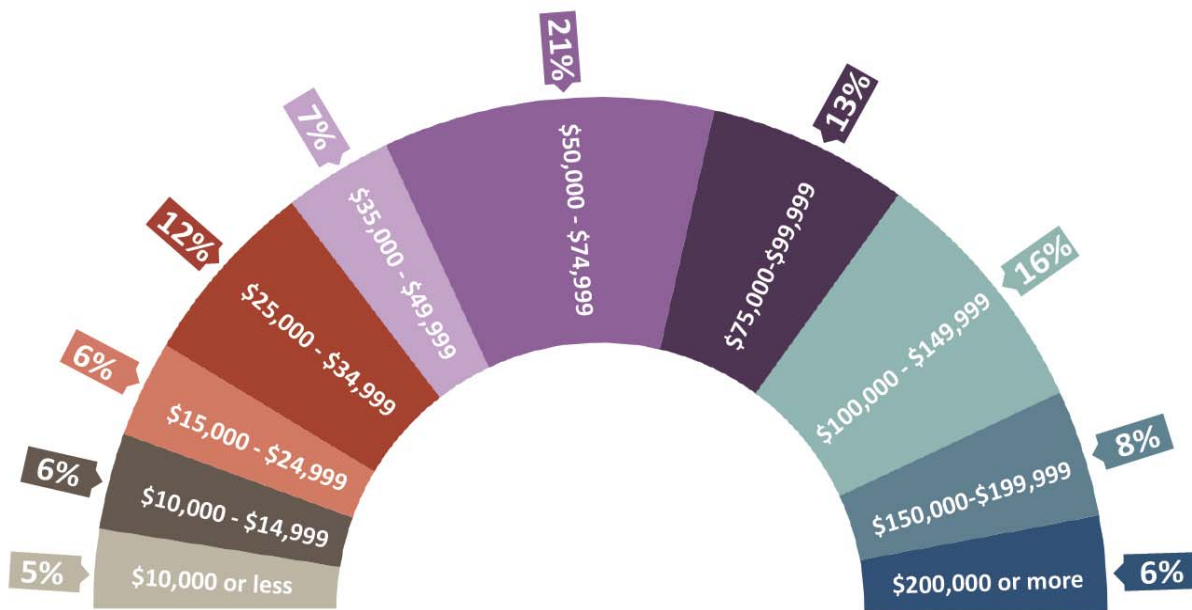
A broad spectrum of wage earners are represented in the Town of Edgewood, however the most well represented annual household income category reported by Edgewood residents is the \$50,000 to \$74,999 wage category, at 21 percent. 36 percent of households make under \$50,000 annually, and 43 percent report making \$75,000 or more (see Figure 15).

Table 5 shows household income for Edgewood compared to Moriarty, Tijeras, the county, and the State. Edgewood’s household income skews higher than Moriarty, is overall somewhat higher than the State, and tracks similarly to Santa Fe

County. Tijeras is an outlier, with no household income reported to be under \$15,000.

The Census Bureau uses a set of money income thresholds that vary by family size and composition to determine who is in poverty. If the total income for a family or unrelated individual falls below the relevant poverty threshold, then the family (and every individual in it) or unrelated individual is considered in poverty. By these measures, 13.3 percent of Edgewood residents are living below the poverty level (see Figure 16). This is consistent with Santa Fe County, and is lower than the State.

Figure 15: Household Income Distribution



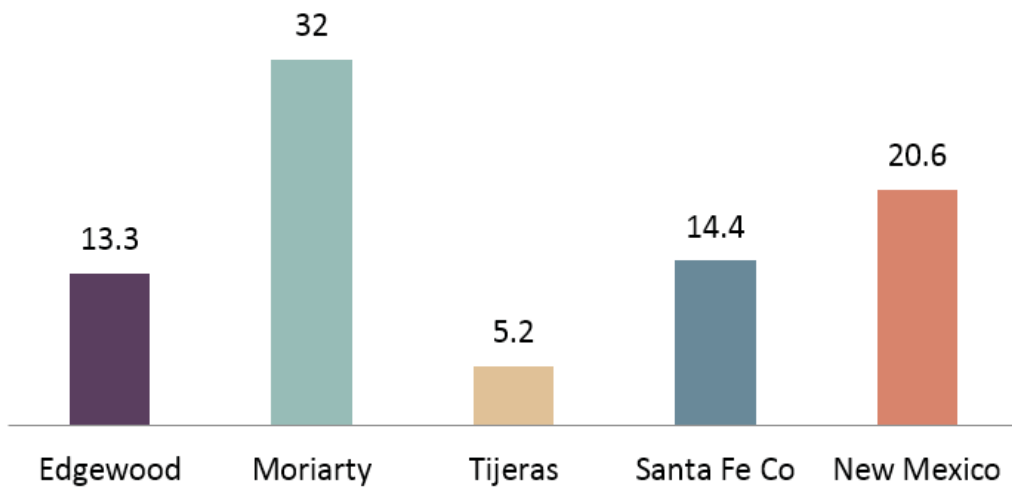
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2012-2016 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Table 5: Household Income

	Edgewood	Moriarty	Tijeras	Santa Fe Co	New Mexico
Less than \$10,000	5%	12%	0%	7%	9%
10,000 to \$14,999	6%	16%	0%	4%	6%
15,000 to \$24,999	6%	13%	16%	10%	12%
\$25,000 to \$34,999	12%	17%	9%	10%	11%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	7%	15%	5%	13%	14%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	21%	12%	26%	19%	17%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	13%	7%	14%	11%	11%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	16%	5%	14%	14%	11%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	8%	1%	9%	6%	4%
\$200,000 or more	6%	0%	7%	7%	3%
Median Household Income	\$67,534	\$29,490	\$73,194	\$57,945	\$46,718

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Figure 16: Percent of the Population Living Below the Poverty Level



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Journey to Work

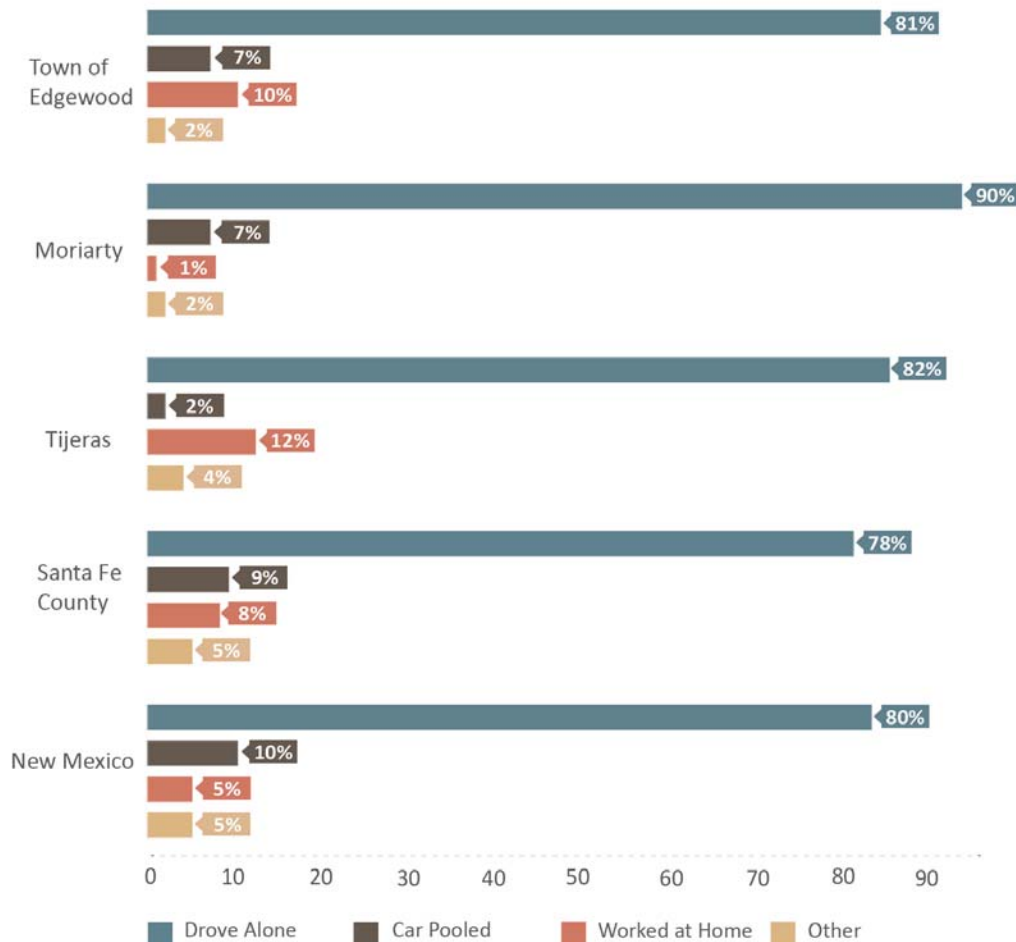
Driving alone remains the prevalent form of transportation to work for Edgewood residents, with an average travel time to work of 36 minutes. Edgewood residents who report working from home has increased since the 2000 Census, likely enabled by improvements in internet access. 67.2 percent of Edgewood’s workforce works outside of Santa Fe County, and 76.6 percent of the workforce works outside of Edgewood. The travel time and place of work information is consistent with anecdotal information that many Edgewood residents commute to Albuquerque for work, with some going as far as Santa Fe.

According to the 2013 to 2017 American Community Survey, 81 percent of Edgewood residents drove alone to work, while another seven percent participated in carpools as a means of traveling to work (refer to Figure 17). This is down from 23.2 percent of residents reporting carpooling to work according to the 2000 Census. However, the share of residents

reporting working from home has grown from 3.8 percent in 2000 (2000 Census) to 10 percent, which may account for some of this reduction in carpooling.

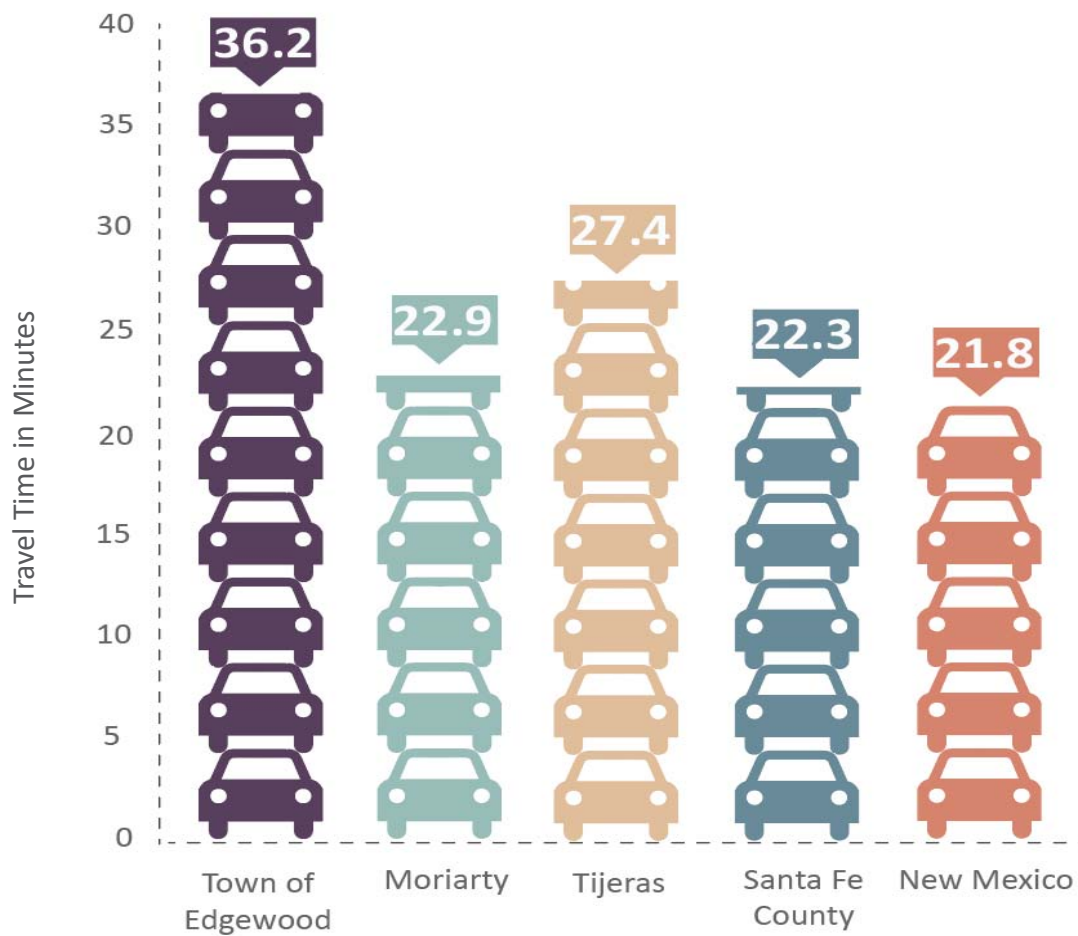
The average travel time to work for Edgewood residents is 36.2 minutes (see Figure 18), approximately the length of a trip to

Figure 17: Modes of Transportation to Work



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, 2007-2011 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Figure 18: Mean Travel Time to Work



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, 2007-2011 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Albuquerque. This is consistent with the information in Table 6, which shows that 67.2 percent of Edgewood residents work outside of their county of residence. In contrast, a similar share of Moriarty residents (68.7 percent) work *inside* their county of residence, Torrance. Edgewood retains 24.4 percent of their

residents' jobs, compared to 46.8 percent of Moriarty residents, 21.6 percent of Cedar Grove residents, and 18.6 percent of those living in Tijeras.

Table 6: Employed Persons that Worked in and Outside of County and Place of Residence: Edgewood, Moriarty, Cedar Grove, and Tijeras

	Edgewood	Moriarty	Cedar Grove	Tijeras
Total Employed Persons Age 16 and Over	1662	782	194	307
Percent Worked in County of Residence	30.6%	68.7%	45.4%	91.2%
Percent Worked Outside County of Residence	67.2%	31.3%	54.6%	8.8%
Percent Worked in Place of Residence	23.4%	46.8%	21.6%	18.6%
Percent Worked Outside Place of Residence	76.6%	53.2%	78.4%	81.4%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates



Photo courtesy of Teresa Farley.

Community Facilities and Services

Local Government Operations

The Town of Edgewood is an incorporated municipality, and has a Mayor-Council form of government. There are six elective positions for the Town: The Mayor, four Town Councilors, and a Municipal Judge. The Mayor and Town Council are elected for terms of office which are staggered 4-year terms; the Municipal Judge also has a 4-year term. The Town's organizational structure is comprised of departments which include the Town Administration, Animal Control, Library, Municipal Court, Parks and Recreation, Planning and Zoning, Police, Road, and Wastewater. Edgewood currently maintains a staff of 32 employees. Appointed committees and advisory bodies include the Parks and Recreation Committee, the Library Advisory Board, the Lodgers Tax Board, and the Planning and Zoning Commission.

In 2018 the Town's offices relocated to the old Edgewood Elementary School building at 171 A NM 344 just north of Dinkle Road. Town Council meetings are held there as well.



Town Offices and Library. Photo by MRCOG staff.

Police, Fire, Ambulance, and Animal Control

The Town of Edgewood created a Police Department which became operational in 2008.

The Police Department is comprised of a chief, two sergeants, eight officers, and an administrative assistant. Edgewood has several active Neighborhood Watch groups. The Edgewood Police Department provides these groups with information and tips to help keep crime away from their neighborhood. Fire protection in Edgewood is provided



Municipal Court and Animal Control. Photo by MRCOG staff.

through the Edgewood Fire District. The Fire District serves the communities of Edgewood, Cedar Grove, and San Pedro. The stations in Edgewood are located at 1 Municipal Way and 18 Dinkle Road. Development of the fire station on Municipal Way in (2013-2014) dovetailed with the Town of Edgewood's development of municipal facilities in (Public Works July 2013 Animal Control/Municipal Court October 2015), also located on Municipal Way. The old fire station, located at 23 East Frontage Road, has



Santa Fe County Fire Department. Photo courtesy of the Town of Edgewood.

been acquired by the Town of Edgewood and repurposed as the Edgewood Police Station, while the old police station on Municipal Way is now the home of the Municipal Court, a use for which the building was better suited. The Fire District presently owns four fire engines, three tankers, and three brush trucks. There are also two advanced support ambulances and one basic life support ambulance on call to the Town.

The Insurance Services Office (ISO) collects information (such as nearest water supply, fire station, station staffing, number of personnel, number and type of fire trucks, pumping capacity, and emergency communications) on municipal fire-protection efforts in communities throughout the United States. Based on the information a numerical rating is given to the area which is used by insurance companies to determine premiums. The current Fire Protection Insurance Services Office ISO rating for the Edgewood Volunteer Fire District is 5/6. The number 5 is the class that applies to

properties within 5 road miles of the responding fire station and 1,000 feet of a credible water supply. The second number is the class that applies to properties within 5 road miles of a fire station but beyond 1,000 feet of a credible water supply.

Edgewood provides care and shelter for impounded animals through their Animal Control Program. They also provide services such as adoptions, capture of stray animals, and animal welfare within Town Limits. Edgewood has adopted an Animal Care and Control Ordinance that establishes regulations, requirements, and procedures for animal control. The Ordinance also sets up a local organizational structure, a licensing and permitting program, and defines penalties for violations of the ordinance. Edgewood has two animal control officers and receives assistance from community volunteers and non-profit organizations.



Photo courtesy of Roger Holden, BLM Section 34 Open Space

Solid Waste Disposal

Santa Fe County Solid Waste Division provides trash and recycling drop-off locations. Curbside solid waste disposal is provided by three private companies, which include Waste Management, East Mountain Disposal, and L. Mora Trash Hauling. Santa Fe County requires curbside companies to offer recycling services, and recycling is available at solid waste convenience centers. The nearest convenience center, Stanley Solid Waste, is located northeast of Edgewood. There are two nearby transfer stations; East Mountain Transfer Station and Hills & Valley Transfer Station. The nearest sanitary landfill for disposing of solid waste is the Estancia Valley Regional Landfill located east of Moriarty. However, some of Edgewood's waste may be transported to various other landfills.

Stormwater Management

The average annual precipitation for Edgewood is similar to that of the community Moriarty, located just east of Edgewood, at 13.67 inches

a year. The foothills of Albuquerque, located to the west of Edgewood, receive about 16.3 inches of rain in an average year (NOAA, 2010). During rainy periods, rains are often brief but intense storms, which can lead to flooding in the drainage channels and ponding in some areas. In addition to the potential property damage associated with stormwater runoff, there is also a possibility of waterborne pollutants and contaminants that may create a public health problem.

Edgewood is designated as an area of minimal flood hazard with some high-risk areas by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The areas in Edgewood that are categorized as X zones by FEMA are shown on Figure 19 with grey striping. The X zones represent the areas that are of minimal flood hazard. These areas are outside of the 500-year flood or are protected by levee from a 100-year flood. By definition, a 100-year flood zone is estimated to flood at a frequency of once in 100 years or have a one percent chance of flooding in any given year (FEMA). The areas categorized as A zones are high risk areas that are in a 100-



Wildlife West Nature Park. Photo courtesy of Roger Holden.

Figure 19: FEMA Flood Map

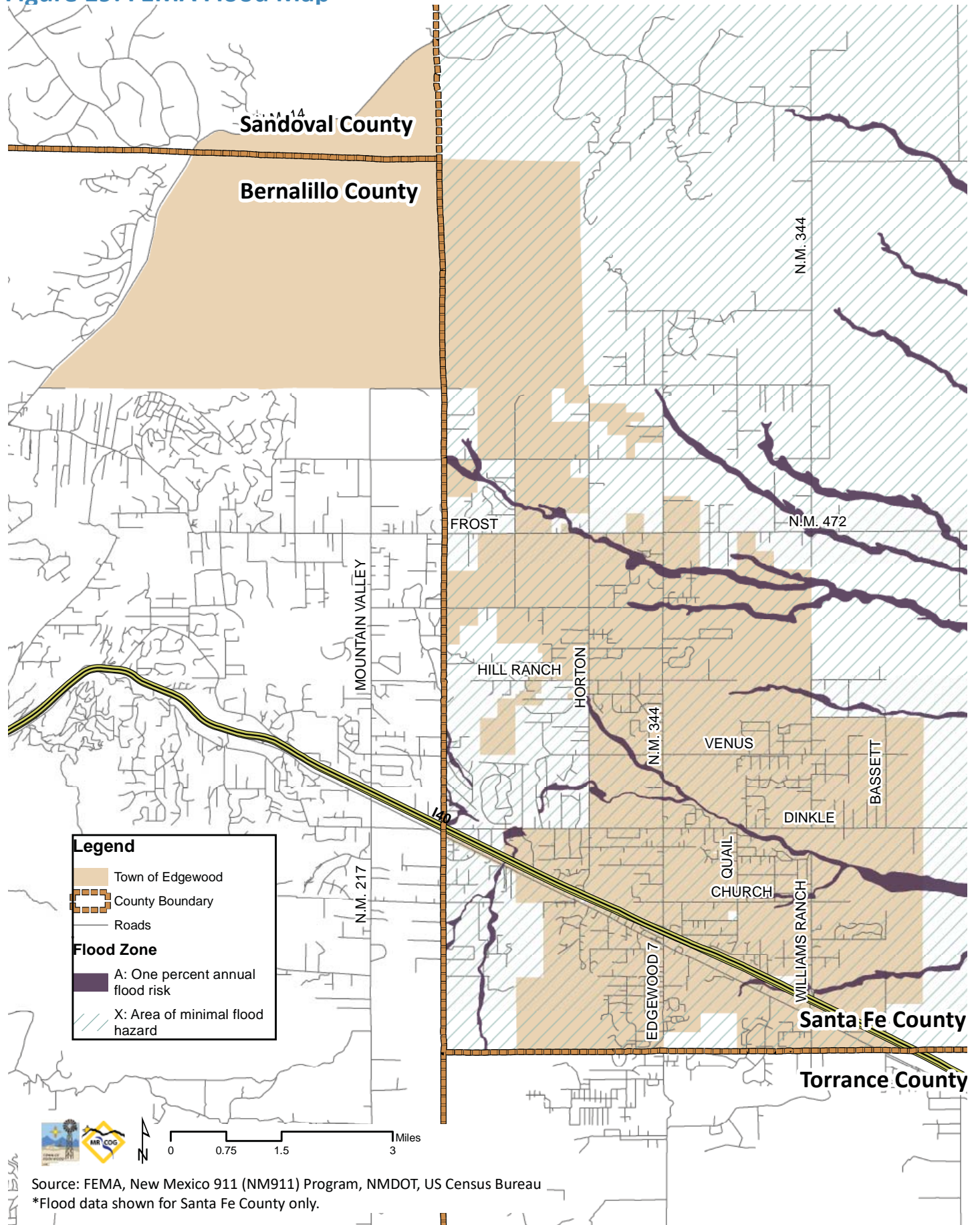
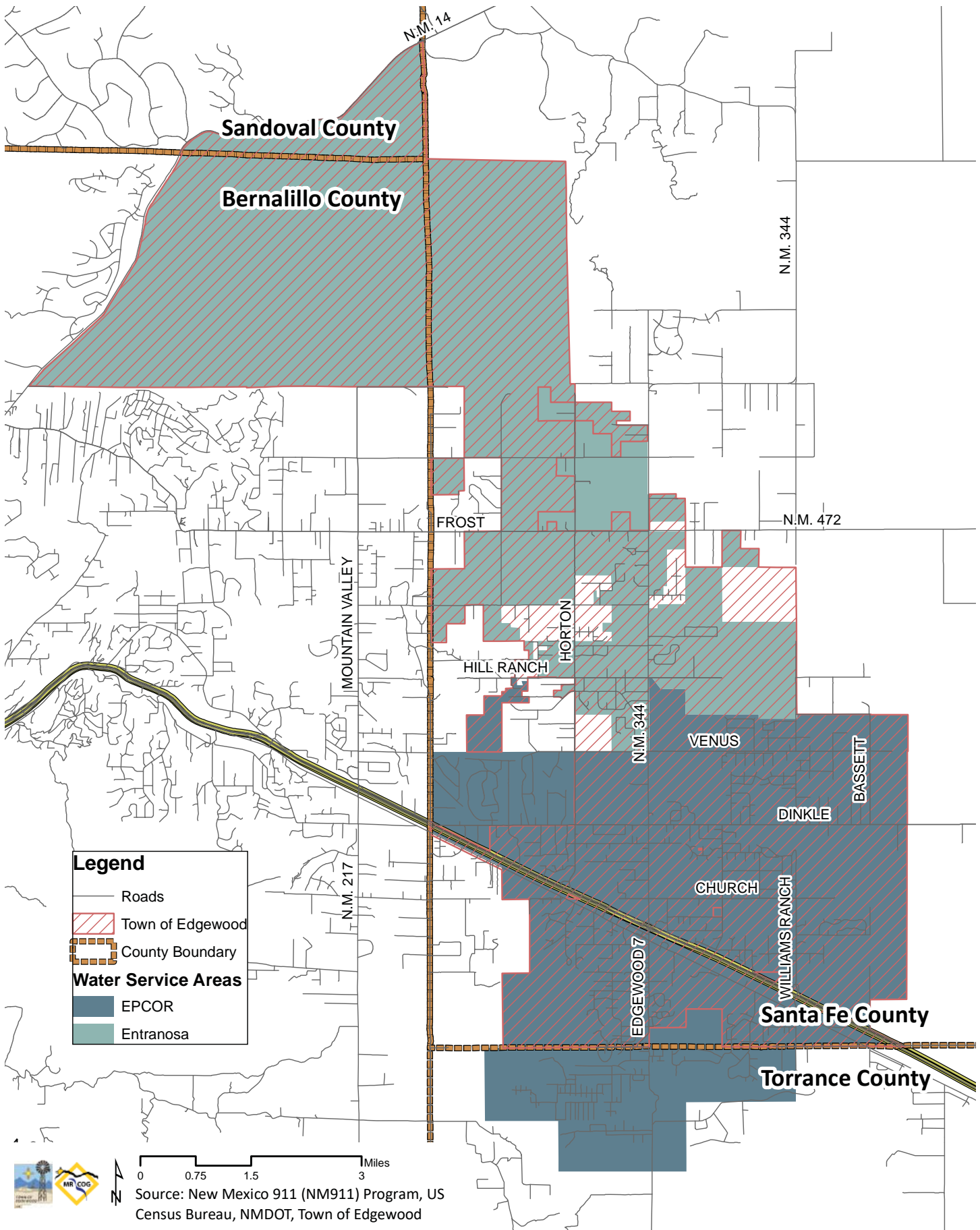


Figure 20: Water Service Areas



year flood zone. These areas, shown in purple on Figure 19, have a 26% chance of flooding over the life of a 30-year mortgage (FEMA). Development in the 100-year flood zones must be regulated by the Town or County to diminish the possibility of flood damage. In communities that participate in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) property owners and renters within areas of minimal flood hazard, X zones, must have access to flood insurance. Property owners and renters in high-risk areas, A zones, are required to have flood insurance if the home has a mortgage. They are eligible for subsidized flood insurance through the Federal Insurance Administration of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Water Supply

Drinking water services are provided to the residents of the Town by two private water utility systems: Entranosa Water & Wastewater Association and EPCOR Utility. Entranosa serves

3,464 premises, also called parcels (Entranosa, December 2019), and EPCOR serves 2,136 premises in Edgewood and an additional 678 premises in Torrance County (EPCOR, December 2019).

Through its zoning powers, the Town of Edgewood does provide regulatory land use controls in areas around the wells used by the water utility companies in order to prevent contamination of wells. These areas are known as wellhead protection zones and are identified on the Edgewood Zoning Map maintained by the Town.

Goal C of this comprehensive plan (p.71) is to plan for the long-range water needs of the community. It was generated from discussions in the public workshops about this topic in order to bring attention to the need for long range water planning.



Photo courtesy of Teresa Farley.

Wastewater Disposal System

In the 2008 Comprehensive Plan, the Town of Edgewood was developing a centralized wastewater collection system and treatment plant. The wastewater plant and a collection line running in the business corridors along State Roads 333 and 344 and following Church Street east to the treatment plant opened for business in 2010. The 2008 Plan also anticipated that the wastewater system would eventually serve residential customers at some point in the future.

In 2015 the Town’s Governing Body undertook a comprehensive Asset Management Plan of the entire sewer system as it existed at that time. They also began a Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) designed to explore the cost and feasibility of replacing the existing membrane bioreactor (MBR) treatment facility with a new Aeromod plant which could better handle the hard water and commercial sewage flowing into the wastewater plant. The Town also completed work on a new Wastewater Ordinance which set out a rate structure for customers as well

as imposing requirements for hooking onto the system. In 2015 the Town also installed its first new collection lines into Walker Road in the area by Walgreens.

In 2017 the Town undertook a study of the treatment plant to seek alternatives to a complete replacement of the facility, which was the recommendation of the PER. The considerations explored by this study were converting to a different wastewater treatment process or optimizing the existing MBR system. The recommended course of action was to optimize the existing MBR System. In 2018 the Town took over operation of the wastewater plant and hired its own operators to operate it. Additional collection lines were installed in East Church Road and the Cactus Road/Main Street area.

In 2019 the Town was certified to haul its waste product to the Estancia Valley Solid Waste landfill located east of Moriarty thereby eliminating costs of hiring haulers and storing waste product at the plant site.

Figure 21: Wastewater Service Area

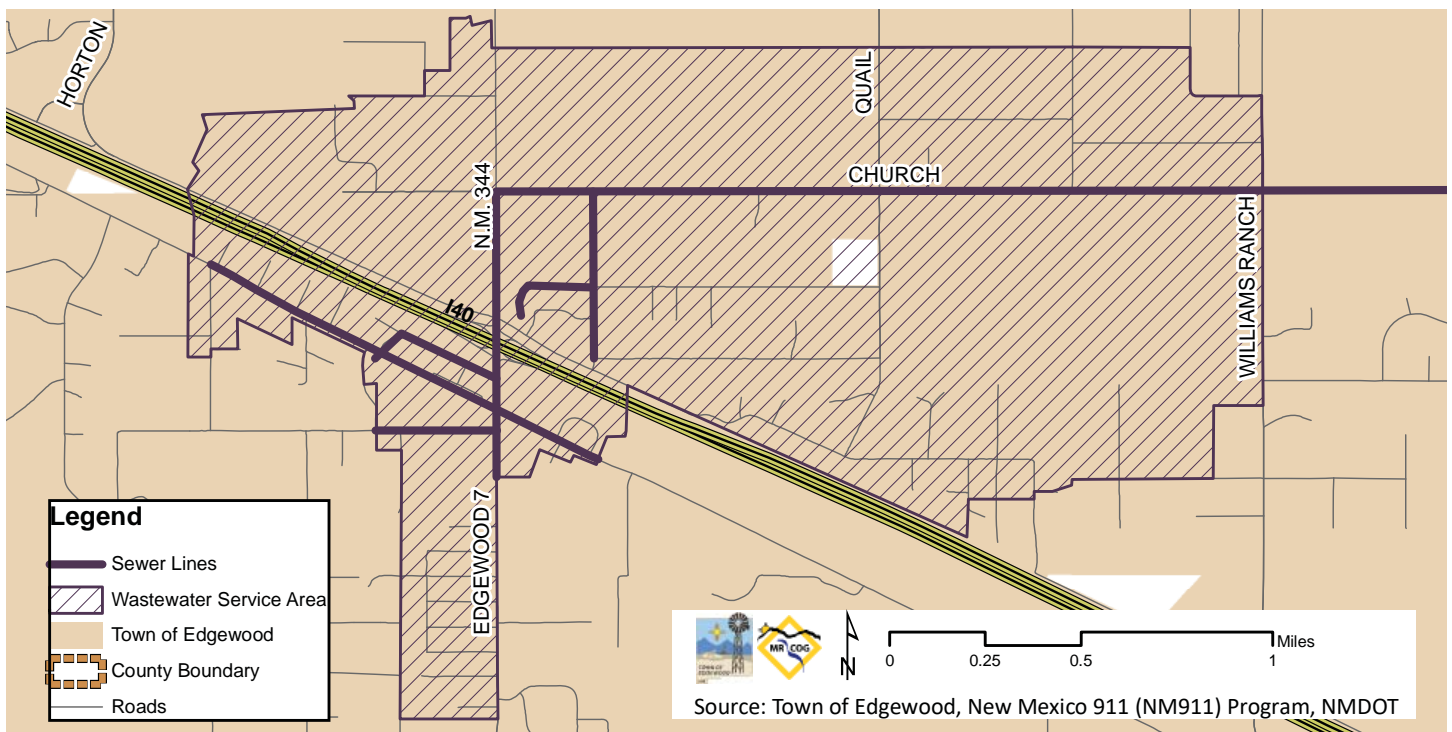


Figure 21 displays the current wastewater service area. Existing wastewater collection lines and the properties they could potentially serve are shown by the purple lines. Not all properties in the service area hooked up to the sewer.

Transit and Aviation

The NM Park & Ride provides transit service from Moriarty and Sedillo to Albuquerque (Eubank/Central, Uptown Transit Center, and Alvarado Transportation Center) via the “Turquoise Route.” NM Park & Ride is an intercity bus service managed by the New Mexico Department of Transportation and contracted to All Aboard America! Inc. The service is designed for the general public to go from one city to another for work, school, business, appointments, shopping, or other purposes during the morning and afternoon rush hours.

Additionally, the North Central Regional Transit District provides service from Edgewood to Santa Fe via Stanley and Galisteo on the 290 “Edgewood” route. This service is often referred to as “the Blue Bus.”

The Sandia Airpark is centrally located in the Town of Edgewood. It is a privately-owned airport for public use that includes a 4,400 foot paved runway with a half-mile approach, but no control tower. The airpark has about 50 to 60 planes in its hangars and is managed by a Fixed Base Operator (FBO). The airpark plans to expand in the near future.

Parks, Open Space, and Recreation

PARKS AND OPEN SPACE

Parks and open spaces can provide many natural benefits, such as air cleansing and scenic beauty. They can also increase property values and



Sandia Airpark Hangar. Photo courtesy of John Bradley.

positively affect human health. Just over two and a half percent of the land in Edgewood (approximately 916 acres) is currently classified as parks and open space. Edgewood residents have many parks and recreation options in the town and just outside the municipal boundary that can continue to be developed to meet residents' needs in the future.

On September 19, 2018, the Town Council passed Resolution No. 2018-21 renaming or granting official names to four of Edgewood's parks and open spaces. The Town Commons Recreational Area on Section 16 is now called "Venus Park." It includes a large pavilion with seating, the Steve Williams Athletic Field, a chalk board activity area, horseshoe pits, and is an area where many Town events take place. The old Edgewood Elementary School playground, often referred to as the Edgewood Community Park, is directly south of Venus Park and is open to the public. The other major park area with recreational amenities, the Edgewood

Community Center Park, is now called "Bassett Park." It includes the Town's skate park, tennis/ basketball court, a playground, and a picnic table pavilion.

Additionally, two recreational open spaces now have formal names; the 248 acres of Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land previously referred to as "Section 34" is officially called "E.C.H.O. Ridge Park," which stands for the Edgewood Community Home Owners. E.C.H.O. Ridge Park is not within the Town's municipal limits, rather it abuts the Town's southern boundary. The parcel has excellent viewsheds of the surrounding rolling hills, and is home to piñon, juniper trees, prairie grasses, wildflowers, and wide variety of wildlife. The site provides potential opportunities for hiking, biking, equestrian, environmental education and projects, outdoor recreation programming, and potential eco-tourism. Edgewood is currently leasing and developing the open space area with a trailhead parking area to improve access, and



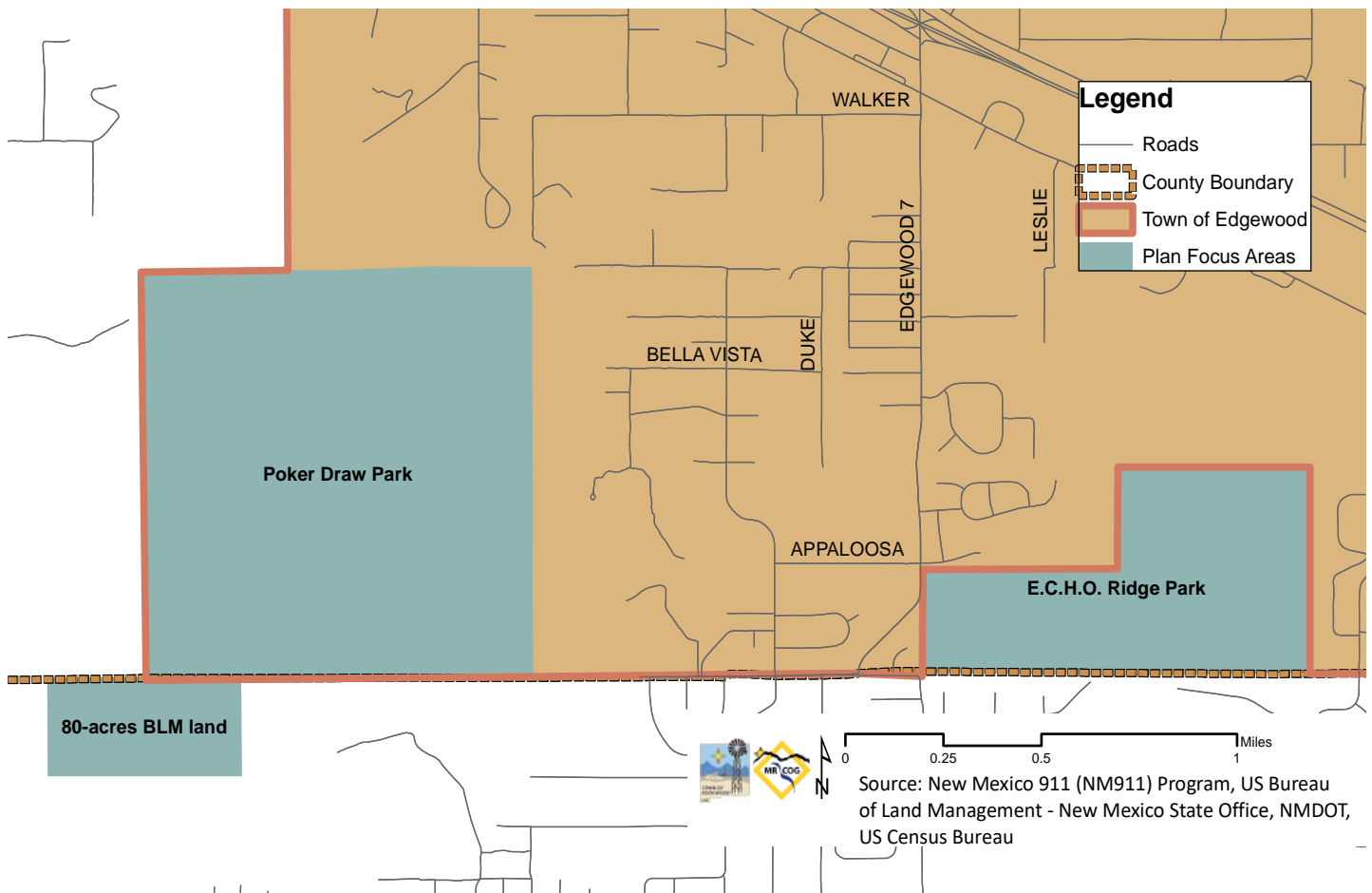
has the goal to purchase the land. The other renamed open space is “Poker Draw Park,” comprised of 695 acres of land owned by the State Land Office (SLO). This area was previously referred to as “Section 32.”

In 2018, the Town was awarded a National Park Service (NPS) Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance (RTCA) program grant for technical assistance. The year-long project centered on non-motorized and mechanized (mountain biking) recreational opportunities for the Town and contains three public open space focus areas, detailed below and shown in Figure 22. The plan developed through this process is called the “Edgewood Open Space and Non-Motorized Trail Plan.” It was developed with input from a trail committee (organized in 2017) as well as the public. The plan was prepared by the NPS RTCA program staff and completed in October of 2018. Plan focus areas include the

following:

- 1. Poker Draw Park (695-acre State Land Office (SLO) Parcel).** This open space area is currently leased by the Town and offers a significant opportunity as a site for future recreation developments.
- 2. E.C.H.O. Ridge Park (248-acre BLM Parcel)** The Town is currently leasing E.C.H.O. Ridge Park from the BLM pursuant to the Recreation & Public Purpose (R&PP) Act enacted by Congress in 1954. An R&PP lease for the property was first issued in 2008 and later renewed in November, 2016. The current lease expires in November of 2021. ECHO Ridge Park contains 11.5 miles of existing trails and this area has been designated for non-motorized and mechanical recreation by the BLM. It is available to hikers, bicyclists, and equestrian riders. The Town completed a revised Plan

Figure 22: Focus Areas, Edgewood Open Space and Non-Motorized Trail Plan



of Development (POD) for the site, which was approved on August 9, 2019. When implemented, the POD will enable the Town to request a patent for this parcel from the BLM.

3. 80-acre BLM Parcel

Located south of Poker Draw Park, this parcel offers one possibility for resolving the issue of access to Poker Draw Park. This area is currently littered with trash and functions as an informal shooting area. Due to the lead contamination from bullets it has become clear that intensive remediation would be needed in order for this site to be leasable.

TRAILS

Figure 23 shows Edgewood’s existing and proposed trails system. The existing system mainly extends east and west along NM 333 (Old US 66) and north along NM 344 to Dinkle Road. Extensions are planned north on the NM 344 corridor to Frost Road, and south on Edgewood Road 7 to access future recreation areas on public lands in E.C.H.O. Ridge and Poker Draw

Parks, and to connect Edgewood’s southern neighborhoods to the north. The Town’s goal is to connect public facilities and activity nodes via facilities that enhance safety for nonmotorized transportation users and to create safe bike corridors to connect the region.

EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Horseback riding is an activity associated with Edgewood’s identity. In addition to having a hitching post at the Super Wal Mart, the post office, and horse-friendly open space areas, Edgewood is home to the Santa Fe County Equestrian Center. The center includes a walking trail, picnic area, hiking trails, a round warm up pen, stock water tank, manure bin, despooning curtain, obstacle course, pergola grand stand, sand arena, and handicap mounting block. Santa Fe County owns and operates the Equestrian Center.

SENIOR CENTER

Santa Fe County owns and operates the Senior Center in Edgewood. The Center works to promote and enhance the physical, intellectual



Single Action Shooting Society (SASS) event. Photo Courtesy of Roger Holden.

Figure 23: Existing and Proposed Trails

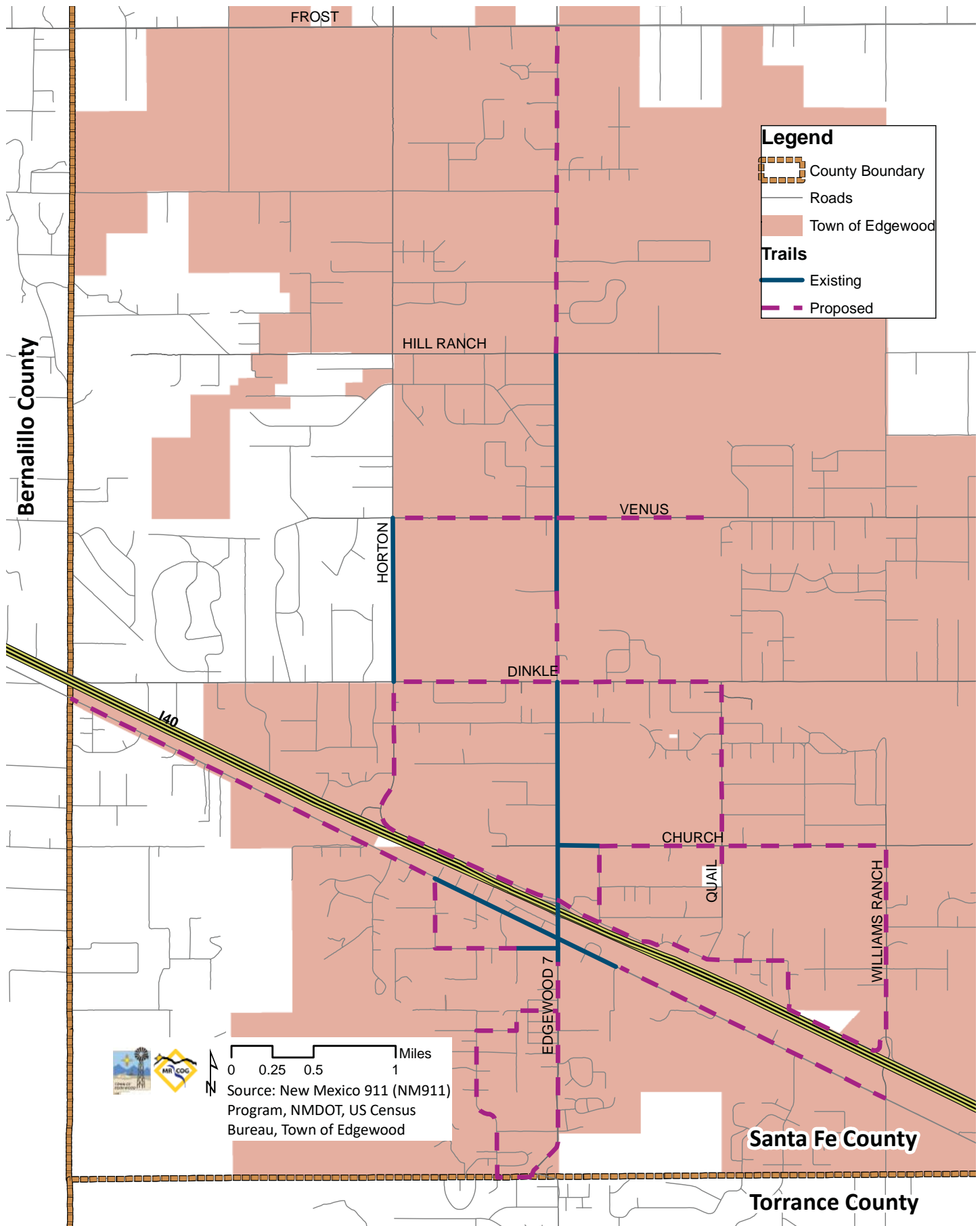
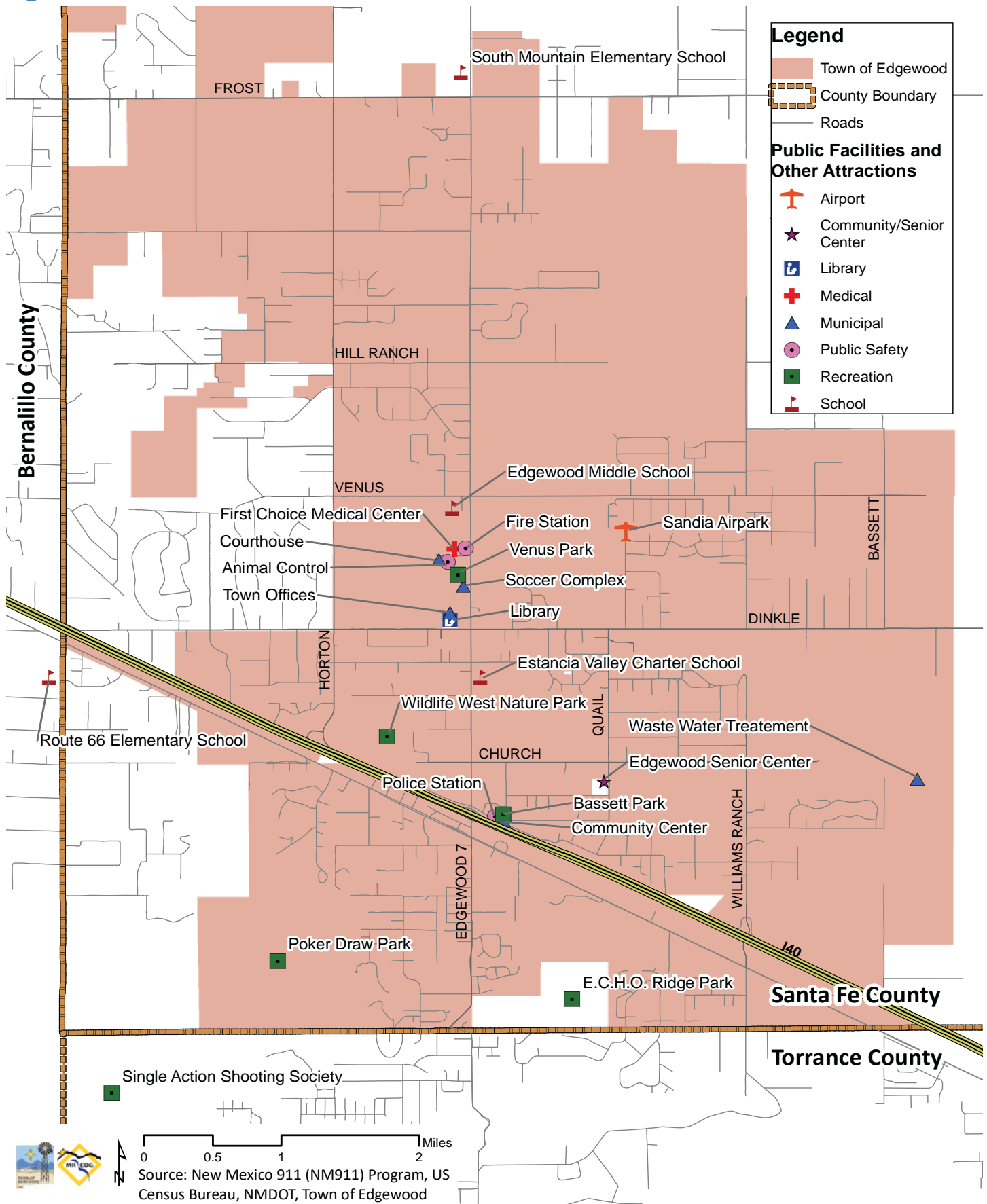


Figure 24: Public Facilities and Other Attractions



and social wellbeing of seniors, and offers a variety of classes and activities. In 2018 the New Mexico State University collaborated with the Senior Center and Partnership for a Healthy Torrance Community to develop a community garden that has been very successful in its first year.

WILDLIFE WEST NATURE PARK

In addition to these parks and recreational open spaces, there are unique recreational areas in the Edgewood area that are not necessarily classified as parks and open space, but are important recreational attractions nonetheless. Wildlife West Nature Park covers 122 acres just north of I-40 in Edgewood (refer to Figure 24 for a map of public facilities and other attractions). The park began in 1992 as a not-for-profit endeavor to develop an innovative concept by combining recreation with habitat restoration, and environmental education for children and adults. The park opened to the public in 1994 with a wetlands project for bird watching, and continues to add new habitat. The Park has grown into a regional attraction with many

wildlife exhibits, and is connected by two miles of trails.

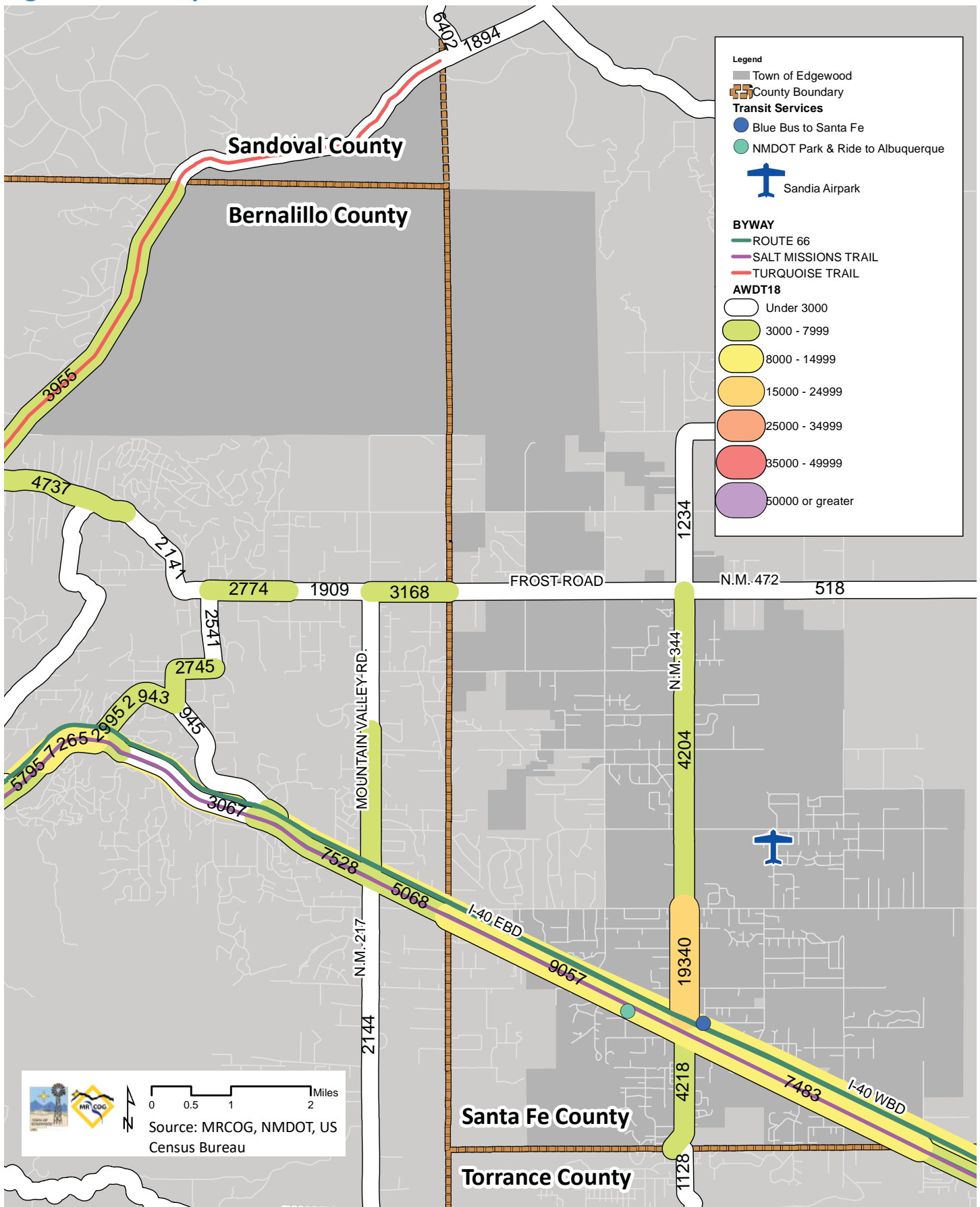
SINGLE ACTION SHOOTING SOCIETY

Another specialized recreational area that is in close proximity to Edgewood is the Single Action Shooting Society (SASS) in nearby Founder's Ranch, New Mexico (shown in Figure 24). The Single Action Shooting Society is an international organization created in 1987 to preserve and promote the sport of Cowboy Action Shooting, a fast-growing outdoor shooting sport. In 2004, SASS purchased a 480-acre ranch in Founder's Ranch, where it built the world's premiere Cowboy Action Shooting Facility. The facility includes a shooting range, space for up to 600 recreational vehicles, parking for up to 4,000 cars, a functional Western Town replica, and an equestrian center. SASS hosts the END of TRAIL (the world championship of Cowboy Action Shooting) event, which takes place every June at Founder's Ranch, with over 1,000 competitors and between 5,000 and 10,000 spectators and participants. The SASS headquarters were previously located in Yorba Linda, California,



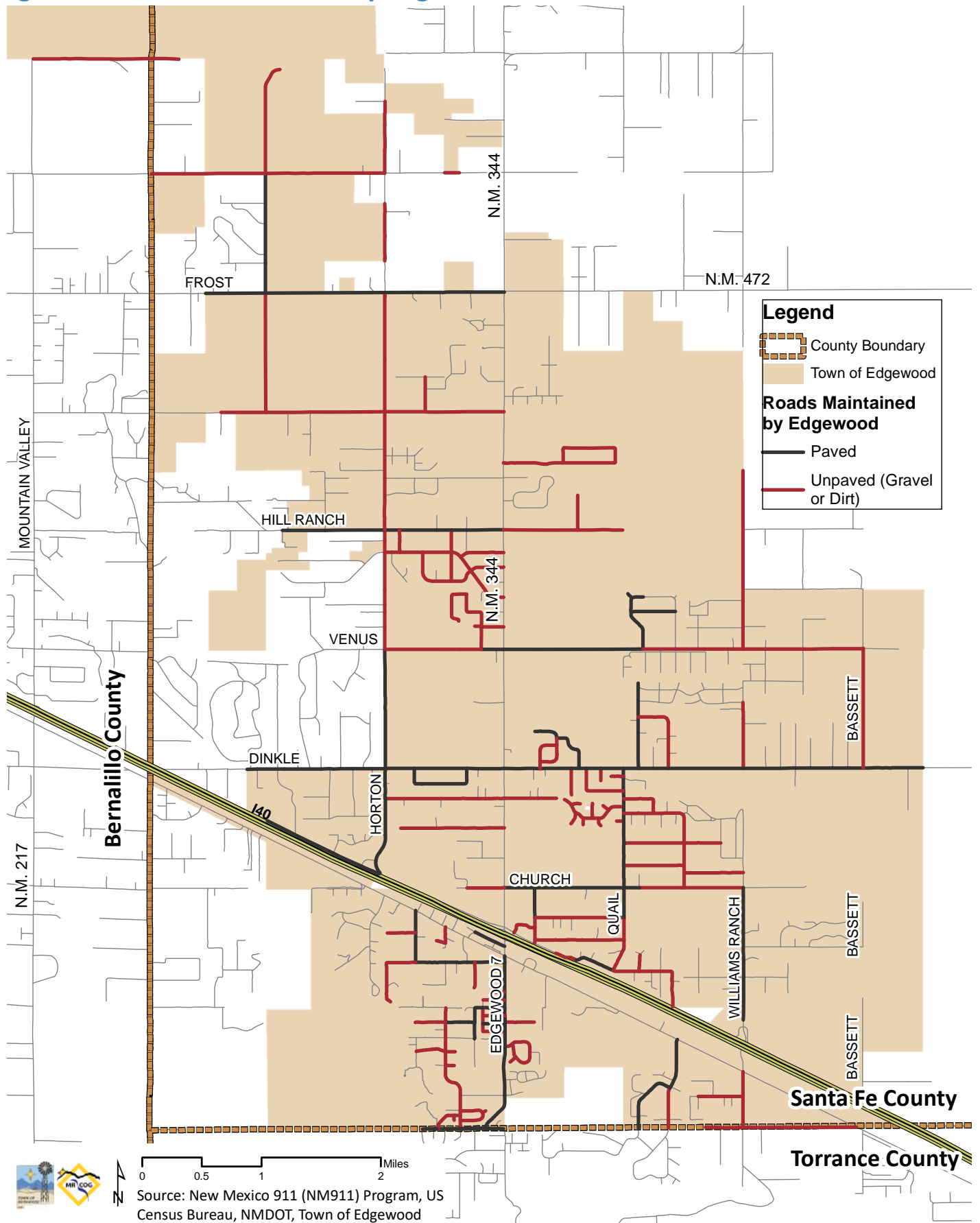
Run, Rally and Rock Parade, 2018. Photo courtesy of Roger Holden.

Figure 25: Transportation Facilities and Traffic Flow*



*Route 66 and Salt Missions Trail Scenic Byways on NM 333 offset for clarity. See Figure 23 for multiuse trails.
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Figure 26: Roads Maintained by Edgewood



but the organization relocated to the Edgewood vicinity in 2008.

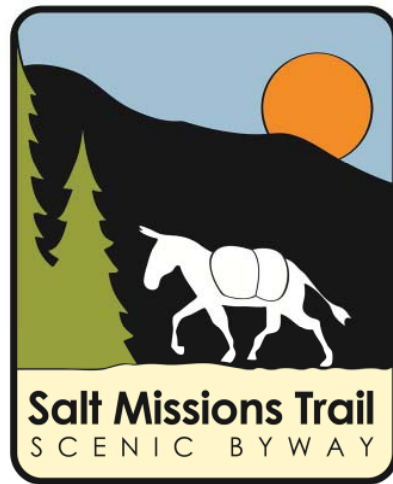
Roads and Highways

NM 344 is the primary north-south road through the center of Edgewood, serving to collect traffic from the scattered neighborhoods as well as carrying through-traffic to surrounding communities. NM 472 continuing to Frost Road provides a major northern east-west road corridor that connects NM 344 with NM 41 (near Stanley) on the east and NM 14 on the west.

There are two federally designated Scenic and Historic Byways (Old Route 66 and the Salt Missions Trail) which pass through Edgewood. Both Route 66 and the Salt Missions Trail Scenic Byways follow the NM 333 corridor through the Edgewood area (refer to Figure 25). A third Scenic Byway, the Turquoise Trail, runs just north of Edgewood along NM 14, connecting Santa Fe to Sandia Crest and the old mining towns of Cerrillos, Madrid, and Golden. The National Scenic Byways program was originally created by Congress through the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) in 1991 to “foster economic development through furnishing the upfront capital costs associated with developing transportation related tourist amenities throughout the United States” (<https://dot.state.nm.us/content/nmdot/en/byways.html>).

The key roads providing access into the Town of Edgewood include an Interstate Highway (I-40) and various State maintained roads (NM 333, NM 344, and NM 472). I-40 is a major east-west Interstate route through New Mexico and the U.S. Historic Route 66 (NM 333) runs parallel to I-40 in the Edgewood area and provides an alternative route for drivers traveling to Albuquerque or Moriarty.

Traffic volume has been increasing in and around Edgewood over the past several years, particularly on the stretch of NM 344 north of the I-40 interchange and south of Dinkle Road



Salt Missions Trail Scenic Byway signage.

(see Figure 28). Average daily weekday traffic (AWDT) on this roadway segment increased from 9,209 vehicle trips per day in 2010 to 23,381 trips in 2018 (source: MRCOG). Refer to Figure 25 to see Edgewood area transportation facilities and traffic flows.

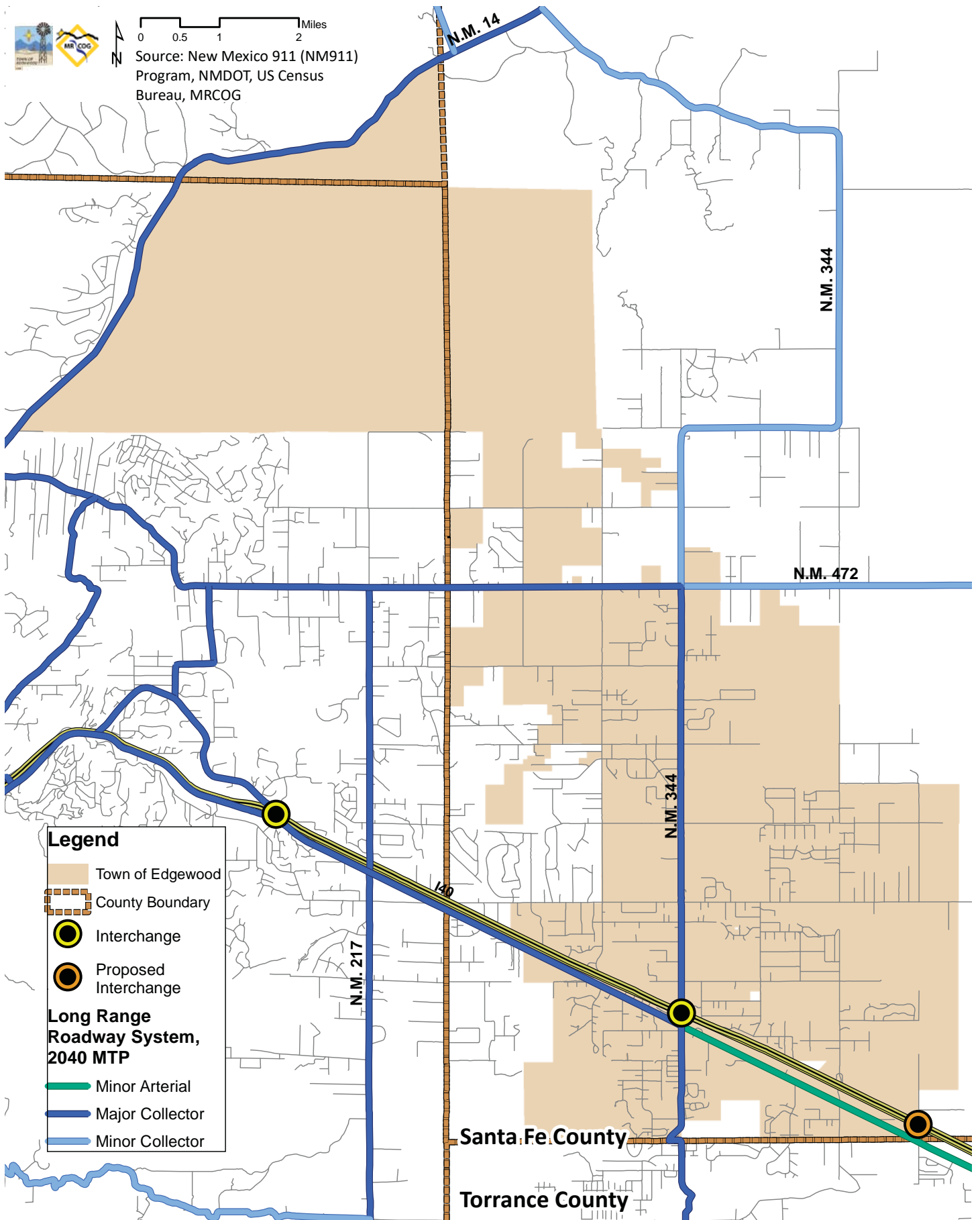
Since the writing of the last comprehensive plan there have been substantial land use changes along the NM 334 corridor. The Super Wal-Mart (just north of Church Street on the east side of NM 344) opened in 2007 and has recently expanded its services to include grocery pick-up. It is a local as well as a regional attractor, bringing people to Edgewood from as far as southern Tarrant County for shopping trips.

The Estancia Valley Classical Academy (EVCA) charter school opened its facility in 2018. The school intends to serve up to 700 students grades K-12 from the Estancia Valley, Moriarty, Edgewood, Stanley, Tijeras, Sandia Park, Cedar Crest, and Albuquerque East Mountain areas. The EVCA does not offer school bus services, and the traffic impacts on NM 344 will become more clear as the school reaches full enrollment.

The Edgewood Elementary School (on the west side of NM 344 just north of Dinkle Road) closed its doors in 2017 and the Town offices moved into the north building in 2018.

Figure 26 shows the roads that are maintained by the Town of Edgewood. Non-Town maintained roads include those in private, State, and federal ownership. The Town's 2017

Figure 27: Edgewood Long Range Roadway System



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 Source: New Mexico 911 (NM911) Program, NMDOT, US Census Bureau, MRCOG

Legend

- Town of Edgewood
- County Boundary
- Interchange
- Proposed Interchange

Long Range Roadway System, 2040 MTP

- Minor Arterial
- Major Collector
- Minor Collector



Photo of Route 66, courtesy of Roger Holden.

annexation increased the amount of facilities that the Town maintains, but otherwise rarely accepts new roads for maintenance.

Figure 27 displays Edgewood’s long range roadway system. The major collector roadways identified in Edgewood are NM 344 south of NM 472, and NM 472 west of NM 344. As identified in the previous comprehensive plan, a proposed interchange is identified at the southeastern edge of the Town.

Automobile crashes that took place between 2013 and 2017 in the Edgewood area are shown in Figure 29, with all fatal crashes shown in red. As expected, the number and severity of crashes increase as roadway speeds and traffic volumes increase. The majority of crashes between 2013 and 2017 occurred on the interstate, followed by NM 14. Crashes in the Town occurred mainly on major thoroughfares such as NM 344.

Figure 28: Average Weekday Traffic, NM 344

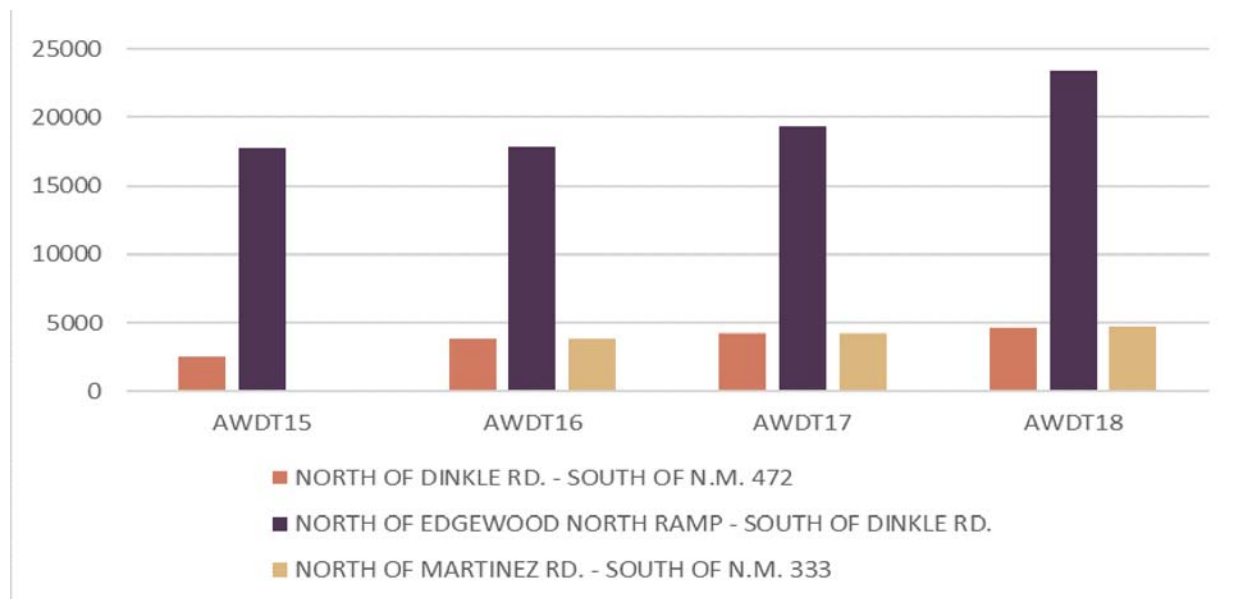
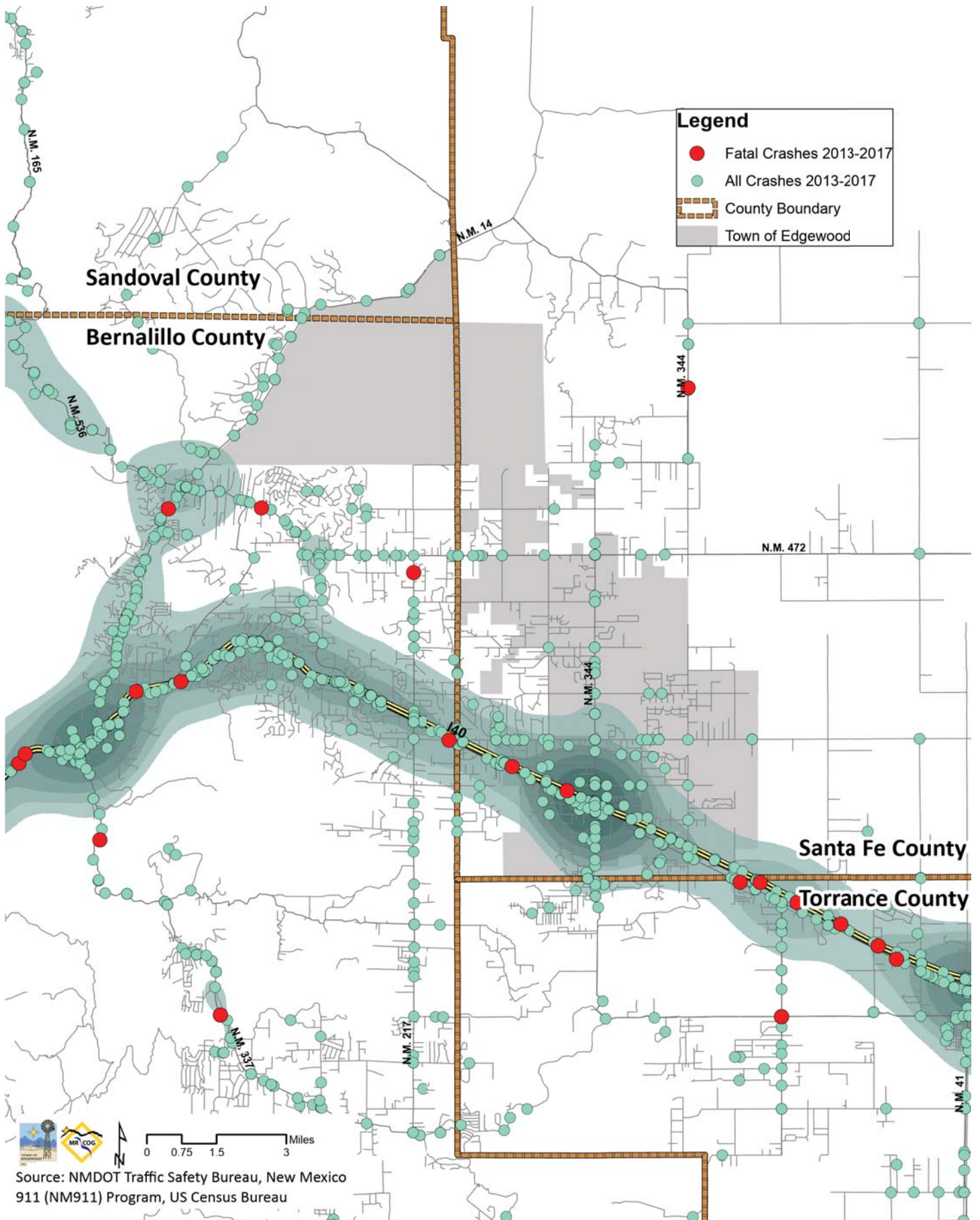


Figure 29: Automobile Crashes, 2013-2017



Current and Future Land Use

The character and physical form of a community is influenced by the arrangement of land uses. The policies and principles by which the Town of Edgewood manages land use activities will ultimately affect location, intensity, and the types of land uses for future land development. A current land use inventory has been included in this comprehensive plan to identify the patterns of land use in the Town (see Figure 30). The land use inventory map was prepared in 2019 based on a classification of land within the Town limits. At that time, the incorporated area covered roughly 57 square miles.

Figure 30 shows the distribution of development and the type of land uses throughout the Town. The compilation of land uses in Edgewood is divided into 10 categories of use: single family, multifamily, commercial, community, industrial, parks and open space, schools, utilities, agriculture, and vacant. The acreages calculated from the land use map include areas used for streets or public rights-of-way, and are approximate. The acreages and relative proportions of each category of land use are calculated and displayed on Table 7. Acreages

and percentages are aggregate numbers and are meaningful for planning purposes only.

LAND USE VERSUS ZONING

“Land use” refers to how land is currently being used, such as “vacant,” or “parks and open space.” It does not reflect the development potential of the land (the land’s potential intensity of development or the permissive land uses that could develop there).

“Zoning” refers to a piece of land’s development potential both in terms of allowable uses and intensity of development (height, number of units, etc.) according to a municipality or county’s zoning code. It does not necessarily reflect how the land is currently used. For example, land may be zoned for residential uses even though the land has not yet been built on.

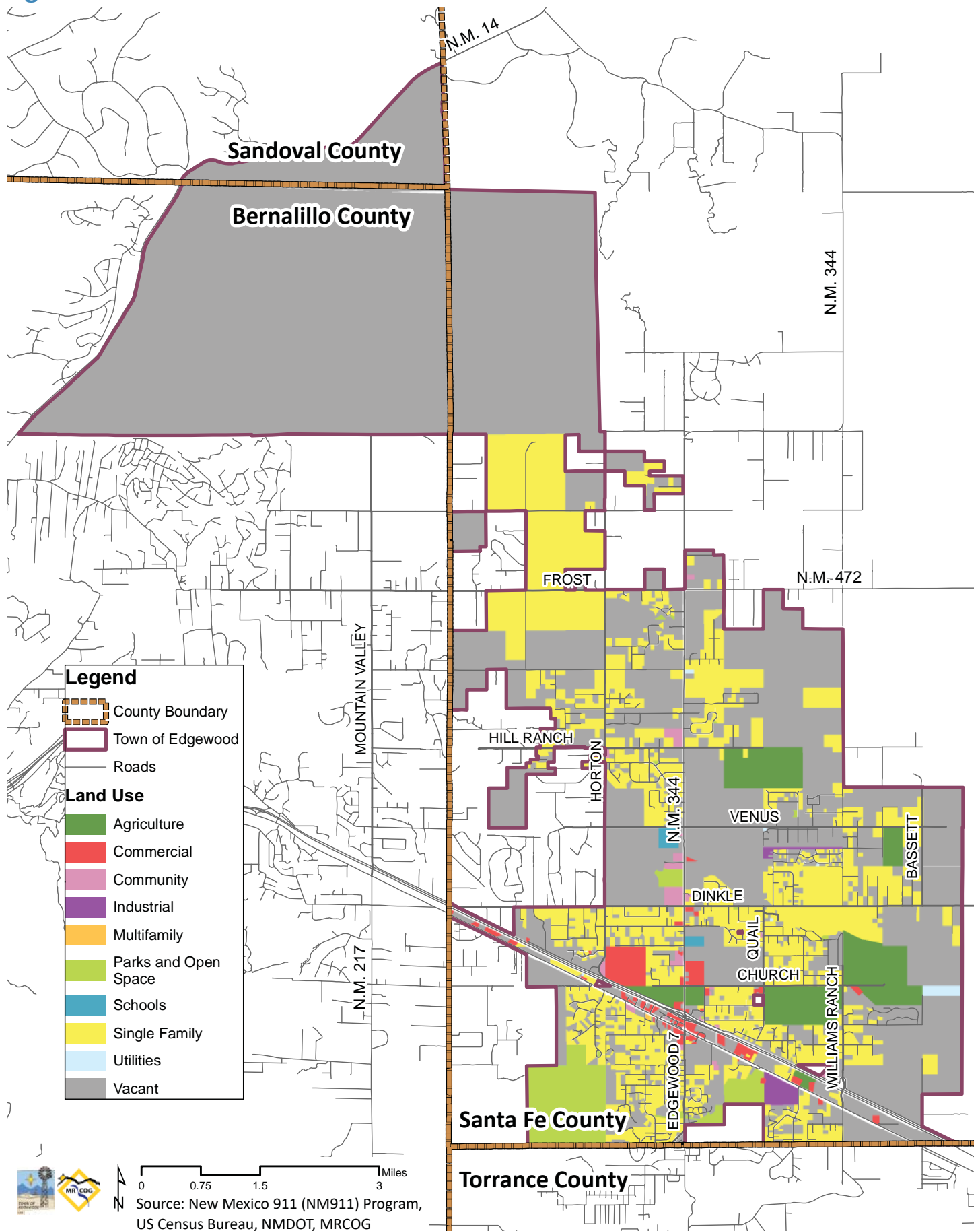
Table 7: Edgewood Land Uses

	Acres	Percent
Agricultural	1,237	3.48%
Commercial	382	1.08%
Community	153	0.43%
Industrial	114	0.32%
Multifamily	2	0.01%
Parks and Open Space	916	2.58%
Schools	60	0.17%
Single Family	7,651	21.54%
Utilities	51	0.14%
Vacant	24,948	70.25%
Total	35,514	100.00%

RESIDENTIAL LAND USE

Residential land uses occupy 21.54 percent of the land in Edgewood. This has nearly doubled since 2008 (11.55 percent). Almost all of this residential land is single family, including mobile homes, with only .01 percent of Edgewood’s total land use being used for multifamily homes. The majority of residential lots in the Town are one acre and above, which contributes to Edgewood’s rural character. Striving to keep the

Figure 30: Land Use



rural character associated with Edgewood was strongly supported in the comprehensive plan questionnaire filled out by residents, as was allowing more large lot development of one or more acres. The questionnaire results showed general opposition to more diverse housing types being built in the Town's Mixed Use Zone (currently occupying about 206 acres east of Wal-Mart) and little support for affordable housing options for low income or fixed income families. Responses were generally positive or neutral regarding a need for more independent or assisted living facilities in Edgewood.

The Campbell Ranch Master Plan in the far northwest sector of Edgewood was approved in 2001, which at full build out was anticipated to include over 4,000 homes. Currently, the Campbell Ranch master planned area has not been able to acquire sufficient water rights to allow for development. Should this change, development could occur in the future.

Edgewood has a slightly lower proportion of the population age 15-34 compared to the state, which may be a result of limited job opportunities in the Town and high median home prices relative to neighboring communities and the State. At the same time, 11 percent of Edgewood residents (Census Bureau, 2013-2017 ACS) are between the ages of 65 and 74, who at some point may want to downsize or make use of an assisted living facility in order to age comfortably in place without leaving Edgewood. The need for more varied housing options for a wider range of income levels was a recurring topic at the public meetings for the comprehensive plan's goals and objectives, and is represented in Goal O of this comprehensive plan (p.77). Overall, public input in this area pointed to the desire to provide varied housing options in the Town in a limited and managed way that allows larger lot residential land uses to continue to develop, and that preserves and enhances the Town's small town and rural character.

COMMERCIAL LAND USE

Land in commercial use has more than doubled since the writing of the previous comprehensive plan, from 151 acres (.5 percent) in 2008 to 382 acres (1.08 percent).

The majority of the commercial land is located along NM 333 (Old US 66), which consists of commercial retail establishments and business offices. That is where the majority of Edgewood's commercially zoned land is located, much of which is currently vacant. The next biggest concentration of land in commercial use is the NM 344 corridor north of I-40 and south of Dinkle Road. Just over 60 percent of questionnaire respondents supported or strongly supported more commercial business development in the Town, with about 80 percent of respondents supporting the Town maintaining specific corridors for commercial development. Small pockets of commercial activity being allowed in residential areas was not strongly supported by questionnaire respondents.

The Town's existing sewer facilities and zoning patterns align well with residents' desire for commercial development to be concentrated along main transportation corridors, keeping residential areas more secluded from the pervasive commercial development one is more likely to find in a city. The availability of vacant land in these areas indicates room for commercial uses to continue to develop without needing to spill over to other major corridors in the near future. The objectives under Goal M address ensuring a strong and diverse local economy (p.76).

INDUSTRIAL LAND USE

Industrial land uses have also grown, from seven acres in 2008 (.02 percent) to 114 acres (.32 percent). The Bassett Quarry Gravel Pit accounts for this growth. The Town is looking into planning for additional light industrial uses in order to diversify local job offerings. Nearly 60 percent of questionnaire respondents supported or strongly supported technology/

DARK SKIES

New Mexico is one of the few regions in the modern United States that still has locations where the darkness allows the study of astronomy. While the light pollution from Albuquerque blanks out the night sky to the west and the smaller light dome from Moriarty can be seen to the east the southern sky from Edgewood's Section 34 is nearly pristine and the summer Milky Way can easily be seen with the naked eye and much of the detail of the Great Rift dust lane are visible to the dedicated observer.

The fact that Edgewood has a dark location where the study of astronomy can still be practiced is a highly valuable thing that should be cherished. Everything that can be done should be done to make sure that this resource is not lost to our future generations.

Edgewood has "dark skies" regulations in the Town's zoning ordinance. Residents attending the comprehensive plan workshops voiced the desire for these regulations to continue to be strictly enforced in Edgewood, especially as the Town continues to develop. This is supported in Goal A of this comprehensive plan (p.69).



Photo Courtesy of Dale Murray.



Photo Courtesy of Teresa Farley.

light industrial/business park development in Edgewood. This is represented in Goal M, Objective 4 (p.76).

COMMUNITY/SCHOOL LAND USE

Approximately 150 acres of land is currently used for community purposes. This includes public services such as Town government offices, the soccer complex, library, fire station, and animal control. It also includes non-government uses that serve the community such as religious institutions and the First Choice Medical Center. About 60 acres are currently used for educational institutions, including Edgewood Middle School and the newly opened Estancia Valley Classical Academy Charter School. The Edgewood Elementary School closed its doors in 2013. The student population was redistributed between the two other elementary schools in the Edgewood area.

UTILITIES LAND USE

About 40 acres of Edgewood's land that is used for utilities is occupied by the wastewater treatment plant. While the facility is adequate to service current commercial needs along NM 333 and NM 344 just north of I-40, should major commercial uses develop further north, additional facilities may be necessary. Goal D of this comprehensive plan addresses planning for the Town's future wastewater treatment needs (p.71).

PARKS AND OPEN SPACE LAND USE

Edgewood is home to approximately 916 acres of parks and recreational open space, including Poker Draw Park containing 695 acres of State Land Office land, Venus Park in Section 16, and Bassett Park. Additionally, the Town boundary abuts E.C.H.O. Ridge Park, formerly referred to as Section 34, consisting of 248 acres of Bureau of Land Management open space

SECTION 16

A recurring topic of discussion at the comprehensive plan public workshops was the development of a physical Town center, where recreation and other community uses could be clustered. Section 16 emerged as the appropriate location for this Town center. This would necessitate changes to the current Section 16 Master Plan. The Plan may already need to be revisited regardless of the Town center being developed there since conditions on the ground have changed considerably, and no longer reflect the Plan. The majority of the land on Section 16 is owned by the State Land Office, which has the authority to sell or lease it. The Town owns 12 acres of land on the section. Current land uses on Section 16 include the Town offices and library, the soccer complex, fire station, judicial complex, animal control, the Road Department building, Edgewood Middle School, First Choice Medical Center, and the old First Choice building, which is being redeveloped as a behavioral health center. Goal G of this comprehensive plan addresses developing a physical town center and revisiting the conceptual design for Section 16 (p.73).

In 2016, the Town was awarded Transportation Alternatives Project (TAP) RTP funding to repurpose an old trestle bridge across Bachelor Draw on Section 16. The Draw funnels rainwater from over 10 miles away under NM 344, rendering passage to the other side unsafe. Bachelor Draw runs from west to east, separating the Edgewood Town Commons Recreational Facilities and Municipal Town Center. The bridge will improve bicycle and pedestrian access between the municipal facilities and recreational amenities. The project is due to be completed in 2020.



Trestle bridge, awaiting installation across Bachelor Draw. Photo Courtesy of the Town of Edgewood Parks and Recreation Department.

that is currently being leased by the Town. These recreational assets will serve the Town as it grows in population and can be further developed to meet Edgewood’s changing needs.

About 75 percent of questionnaire respondents supported or strongly supported the statement “More public parks are needed in Edgewood with amenities such as playgrounds, dog parks, and sports fields,” and a similar number of respondents supported or strongly supported the statement, “More recreational open spaces are needed in the Edgewood area.” Developing a community-wide system of recreation and park facilities is addressed in Goal F of this comprehensive plan (p.72).

AGRICULTURE LAND USE

Although bean farming played a key role in Edgewood’s historical development and economy prior to the 1950s, irrigated agriculture is no longer present in the Town. The

approximately 1,237 acres of land (about 3.48 percent) that are in agricultural use are used for grazing livestock.

VACANT LAND USE

Seventy percent of the land in Edgewood is vacant, most of it privately owned. About 65 percent of this vacant land is zoned for master planned development, which would likely prominently feature residential development, and an additional 23 percent of this land is zoned for residential uses. A high percentage of vacant land has both positive and negative implications for the Town. While the abundance of vacant land means that Edgewood is poised to absorb future development, this huge potential for long-term growth should be a major concern to the Town governing body in terms of the impact of new residential development on water resources, traffic carrying capacity of roads, and community demands for services and facilities.



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CHAPTER 3

TRENDS AND PROJECTIONS

Demographic Projections

Employment Forecast

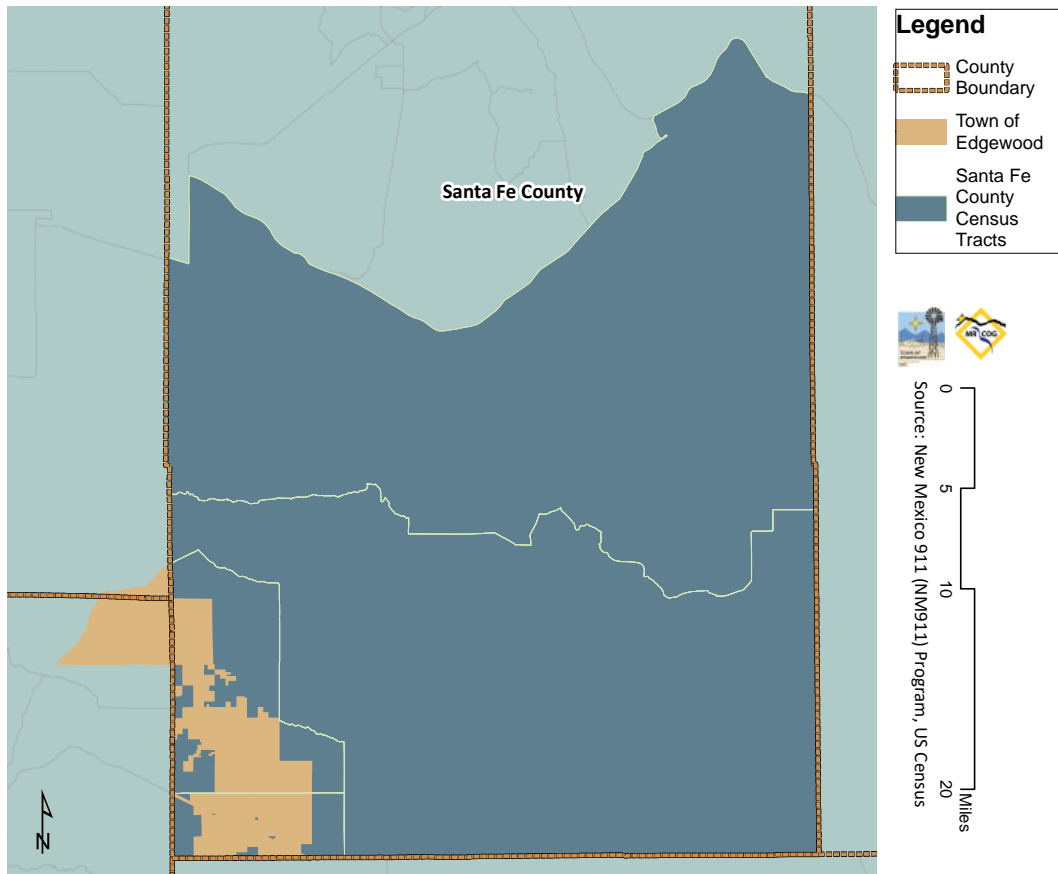
Future development patterns in the community are based on demographic characteristics used to forecast population change and create possible future scenarios. This is an essential step in the comprehensive planning process. Chapter 3 of this Plan displays the methodology and results of forecasting population change and other demographic characteristics. Development trends, based on assumptions regarding land use changes, are discussed as possible scenarios for the future.

Demographic Projections

Projections of population, housing, and employment for the year 2040 were prepared by the Mid-Region Council of Governments (MRCOG) to update and replace the projections that were done for the comprehensive plan adopted in 2008. Following the incorporation of the Town in 1999, Edgewood had undergone a variety of changes associated with a growing community, such as territorial expansion (i.e., annexation, discussed in more detail in Chapter 2), escalation of public services, new community infrastructure planning and development, and increasing densities of land use.

With several small exceptions, the Town's 2017 annexation effectively filled in its previous "swiss-cheese" pattern of unincorporated land within the Town's boundaries. Due to this boundary change taking place prior to the 2020 Census' complete population count, a group of Census tracts that make up Southern Santa Fe (SSF) County were used to estimate and project Edgewood's population. Figure 31 shows the Census tracts used in this analysis. The northwest section of Edgewood located in Bernalillo and Sandoval Counties was excluded from this analysis due to the current lack of population.

Figure 31: Analysis Area, Population Projections



Population and Housing Forecast

Growth in Southern Santa Fe County in the 1990s was fast paced, averaging 11 percent per year, much faster than Santa Fe County as a whole. The 2000s saw Southern Santa Fe County growth fall to nearly the same rate as the rest of Santa Fe County, around 1 percent. According

to the Census Bureau’s Annual Population Estimates, the Town of Edgewood’s Population grew from 3,764 in 2010 to 3,892 people by 2017.

The 2017 annexation brought an estimated 887 housing units into the Town¹. MRCOG estimates the annexation added an additional 2,210 people to the Town, bringing Edgewood’s estimated total population to 6,102 for 2017².

Table 8: Population Growth, Santa Fe County

Decennial Census Population	1990	2000	2010
SSF Census Tracts	5,127	10,755	11,874
% Annual Avg Growth		11.0%	1.0%
Santa Fe County	98,928	129,292	144,170
% Annual Avg Growth		3.1%	1.2%

Source: Decennial Census 1990, 2000, and 2010

¹The number of housing units was estimated by counting the number of units in the annexed areas from the 2010 Census block level data and then the annexed population was estimated to grow at the same rate as Edgewood’s population already within the municipal limits.

²This estimate is made assuming that the annexed portion of Edgewood has the same occupancy rate and average household size as pre-annex Edgewood as well as grew at the same rate of the Census PEP estimate for pre-annex Edgewood 2010 to 2017.

Table 9: Population Estimates, 2010-2017

Population Estimates	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Average
Edgewood pre-annex	3,764	3,788	3,815	3,827	3,841	3,846	3,866	3,892	
Annex	2,137	2,151	2,166	2,173	2,181	2,184	2,195	2,210	
Edgewood Total	5,901	5,939	5,981	6,000	6,022	6,030	6,061	6,102	
% change		0.6%	0.7%	0.3%	0.4%	0.1%	0.5%	0.7%	0.5%
Santa Fe County	144,523	145,442	146,169	146,616	146,983	147,276	147,943	148,750	
% change		0.6%	0.5%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.5%	0.5%	0.4%
Torrance County	16,397	16,408	16,094	15,704	15,550	15,482	15,426	15,506	
% change		0.1%	-1.9%	-2.4%	-1.0%	-0.4%	-0.4%	0.5%	-0.8%
Albuquerque MSA	889,570	896,838	900,368	902,083	902,069	903,489	906,877	910,726	
% change		0.8%	0.4%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%

Source: Census Bureau Annual Population Estimates Program 2010-2017

Edgewood has grown at a similar rate (0.5 percent annual average) to the rest of Santa Fe County (0.4 percent annual average). It has grown faster than the Albuquerque Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) and not experienced the loss of population that nearby Torrance County has seen.

The Town of Edgewood population projection for 2040 is 7,162. This projection was created by taking the 2017 estimated population of Edgewood of 6,102 and growing it at the same rate of the GPS Santa Fe County projection.

Figure 32: Edgewood Population Projection

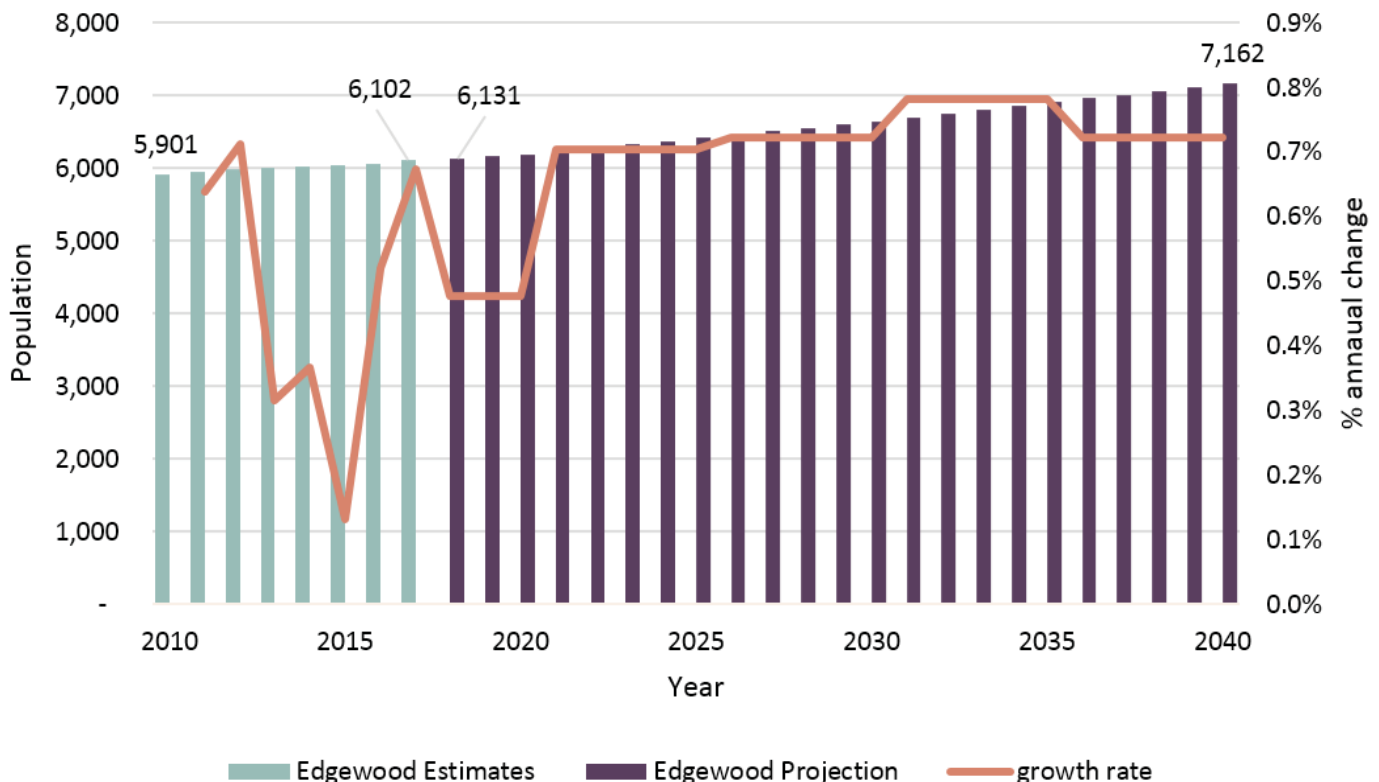


Table 10: Edgewood and Santa Fe County Population, 2010-2040

	Census Count	Census PEP Estimate	Projections				
	2010	2017	2020	2025	2030	2035	2040
Santa Fe County	144,523	148,750	151,767	157,104	162,782	169,142	175,242
Edgewood Pre-Annex	3,764	3,892	3,948	4,089	4,239	4,407	4,568
Annex	2,137	2,210	2,241	2,321	2,406	2,502	2,593
Edgewood Total	5,901	6,102	6,189	6,410	6,645	6,909	7,162
% of SF County	4.1%	4.1%	4.1%	4.1%	4.1%	4.1%	4.1%

Source: Census Bureau Annual Population Estimates 2017, Decennial Census 2010, UNM-GPS County Population Projections

The projected average annual growth rate for Edgewood is 0.7% from 2017 to 2040 which is slightly lower than Southern Santa Fe County’s annual average growth rate from 2000-2010 of 1.0% but higher than Edgewood’s growth rate from 2010-2017 of 0.5%. Edgewood will not quite be growing at the rate it was during the housing bubble years in the early 2000s but will be growing slightly faster than it has during the economic downturn of the late 2000’s and early 2010’s.

Assuming household sizes and occupancy rates remain similar, Edgewood will add 420 housing units by 2040. The current average household size is 2.74 and occupancy is 92% according to the Census American Community Survey 2013-2017 5-year estimates. 420 housing units by 2040 breaks down to an average of 22 housing units per year. According to building permit data from 1990-2017¹, 25 housing units per year were added on average to the Southern Santa Fe Area, most of which were within



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¹Building permit data provided by the NM Regulation and Licensing Department Construction Industries Division, includes years when the data was available.

Edgewood Town limits. The 1990-2017 housing unit building trend (25 units per year) closely matches the projection (22 units per year).

Table 10 shows a households and housing units projection for Edgewood by applying the current household size (2.74) and occupancy rate (92%) to the population projections. This method assumes that Edgewood continues to have no population living in group quarters.

The Campbell Ranch Master Plan played a key

role in the population and housing forecasts created for the 2008 comprehensive plan. In the 2008 plan, MRCOG projected 4,263 people and 1,724 housing units in Campbell Ranch by the year 2030. Due to Campbell Ranch’s current position concerning water rights necessary for development, the area was not included in these projections. Should conditions change and development occur in Campbell Ranch, then an adjustment of the forecast can be done in the future.

Table 11: Edgewood Population, Households and Housing Units, 2017 and 2040

Edgewood Projection	2017	2040
Population	6,102	7,162
Households	2,227	2,614
Housing Units	2,421	2,841

Source: MRMPO, UNM GPS County Population Projections



Photo courtesy of Sarah Demsich.

Employment Forecast

The Mid-Region Council of Governments (MRCOG) created a 2040 employment projection for the Town of Edgewood. Data sources that were used to inform this projection include the MRCOG 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2017 Revision (2040 MTP) and the University of New Mexico Bureau of Business and Economic Research (UNM BBER). The employment projection for the Town of Edgewood for 2040 is 1,246 jobs. The projection was created by MRCOG using the Urbansim Land Use Model.

According to the 2040 MTP 2017 revision, Edgewood had 1,120 jobs in 2012 which was predicted to grow to 1,201 by 2040, at an annual average growth rate of 0.3 percent. The projection was created by allocating regional job growth to parcels using the Urbansim Land Use Model.

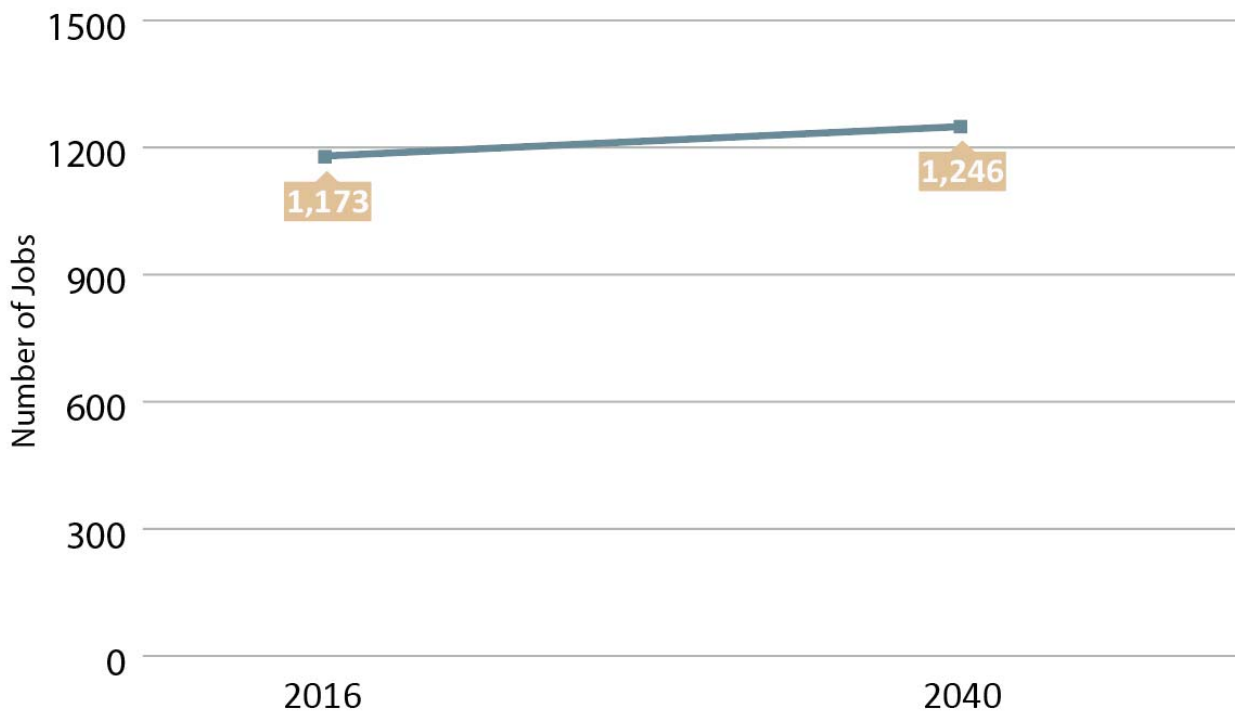
The 2016 employment estimate of 1,173 was created using data from Infogroup that was

revised and verified by the Town of Edgewood for accuracy.

The 2040 employment projection applies the annual average employment growth rate of 0.3 percent to the updated 2016 employment estimate for Edgewood. Using this method, employment grows from 1,173 jobs in 2016 to 1,246 jobs in 2040.

UNM BBER releases 10 year employment projections by county. The 2016-2026 projection for Santa Fe county predicts the county to grow from 65,230 jobs to 69,080 jobs, a 0.6 percent annual average growth rate. If Edgewood grows at the same rate as Santa Fe County and the trend continues out to 2040, Edgewood would be predicted to grow to 1,339 jobs. The BBER projection is only slightly larger than the MRCOG projection, providing a good reality check and increased confidence in the MRCOG projection.

Figure 33: Jobs in Edgewood, 2016 and 2040



Source: MRCOG

CHAPTER 4

GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND ACTION STRATEGIES

Overview of Goals and Objectives

Overview of Action Strategies

Adopted Goals, Objectives, Action Strategies, and Timeframe

Overview of Goals and Objectives

Goals are broad, visionary statements describing a desirable and sometimes idealized future condition of the community. Each goal can be further defined by one or more objectives for achieving that goal. The combination of goals and objectives has been used in this document to establish a common understanding of the community's expectations regarding growth and development in Edgewood. The goals and objectives of this comprehensive plan were passed by resolution of the Town Council on June 19, 2019 (Resolution No. 2019-11), included as Appendix A of this plan.

Public involvement was crucial to the development of the goals and objectives in this comprehensive plan. To make certain there were opportunities for public input and participation in drafting the goals and objectives, a steering committee was activated, a public opinion questionnaire was prepared and made available online to the community, and subsequently three public workshops (November 13, 20, and December 4, 2018) were held to further delve into the topics addressed in the questionnaire. The results and findings of the questionnaire were documented in a report titled Questionnaire Report: Public Opinion About Future Development (MRCOG, 2019).

Through the public participation process, Edgewood residents painted a picture of what they envision for development in the Town over the next 20 years. While residents express a desire for enhancements to public

facilities, a greater variety of housing types to suit different needs, and higher paying jobs in the Town, residents want the Town to preserve the small town, rural feel that they associate with Edgewood. Write-in comments from the Questionnaire cite the strong sense of community, country/small town feel, access to the outdoors, views of the mountains, and dark night skies as things they would like to maintain in Edgewood for the future.

Workshop participants identified "sustainability" as the principle that unifies and should underlie the Town's various goals, and the objectives for those goals. This means providing for the needs of a diverse population, protecting natural resources, creating new jobs, and maintaining an educated work force. Striving to preserve and enhance Edgewood's small town and rural character, while making the Town more sustainable is the framework of the following

goals and objectives.

The goals and objectives have been grouped under the following topics:

- **Public Facilities and Services**
 - Natural resources*
 - Health*
 - Utilities*

Recreation
Transportation
Public Safety

- **Economic Development**
- **Housing**

The objectives are numbered for organizational purposes, and do not indicate priority.



Public workshop on the comprehensive plan's goals and objectives, November 13, 2018.



Comprehensive plan kick-off meeting, September 11, 2018.

Overview of Action Strategies

Achieving broad community goals by attaining measurable objectives does not happen by accident; it is the result of undertaking specific actions toward these objectives. The following are potential actions that can be taken by the Town to work toward the goals of this comprehensive plan. The plan's action strategies were adopted by resolution of the Town Council on June 19, 2019 (Resolution No. 2019-12), included as Appendix B of this plan.

The action strategies in this section were initially prepared as a collaborative effort between the Town staff and the plan's Steering Committee. They were further vetted at a public workshop on April 12, 2019, prior to recommendation by the Planning and Zoning Commission and then formal adoption by resolution by the Town Council on June 19, 2019 (2019-12). The Resolution is included as Appendix B of this plan.

Additionally, the Town Council ranked these actions by the following preferred time frames:

- Short-range: One to five years
- Medium-range: Five to ten years
- Long-range: Ten to twenty years
- Ongoing

The Council members voted on their preferred timeframe for each action strategy, with the mayor being the tie-breaking vote where applicable.

Although many of the recommendations require the Town to pursue new initiatives, some recommendations are currently in progress but should be continued or taken to different levels of effort. Also, there are recommendations that require the development of more specialized plans such as a master plan.



Public workshop on the comprehensive plan's goals and objectives, December 4, 2018.

Adopted Goals, Objectives, Action Strategies, and Timeframe

Public Services and Facilities

Since the previous Comprehensive Plan was adopted in 2008, the Town has done a great deal to improve and expand its facilities and services. The goals and objectives in this section aim to strengthen what is already there and add several amenities that the community has identified. Questionnaire respondents cited many amenities they would like to see in Edgewood in the future. While many amenities such as restaurants will not be provided by the Town, laying the groundwork by making long range utilities plans, for example, will help

enable more growth in certain appropriate areas while protecting Edgewood’s small town, rural character. The need to develop a physical center for the Town on Section 16 was identified at the public meetings. Revising the Section 16 Master Plan as needed and tying it into long range utilities planning will support the Master Plan’s development goals and enhance the strong sense of community already present in Edgewood.

Natural Resources

Goal A: Balance community development with protecting the natural resources and aesthetics of the Edgewood area.

Objective 1	Strategies	Timeframe
<p>Reduce the potential for air, light, or noise pollution caused by development or land use activities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town will make necessary ordinance changes to ensure new developments address fugitive dust during construction. 	1-5 Years
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town will continue to enforce noise regulations. 	Ongoing
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town will continue to enforce dark skies ordinance. 	Ongoing
<p>Objective 2</p> <p>Collaborate regionally on water conservation and a drought contingency plan.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town will work with soil and water conservation districts and other relevant entities to develop a regional water conservation and drought contingency plan. 	5-10 Years
<p>Objective 3</p> <p>Encourage rainwater harvesting and appropriate use of grey water in the community.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town will provide information about rainwater harvesting and the appropriate use of grey water on the Town website. 	5-10 Years

Objective 4	Strategies	Timeframe
Town will continue the collection and treatment of wastewater in appropriate areas of the community to protect groundwater from contamination.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town will continue to upgrade or add facilities as needed and as funding allows. Town will amend relevant ordinances to ensure safe and healthy operation of septic systems throughout the Town. 	Ongoing 5-10 Years
Objective 5		
Town will continue to remedy drainage issues on public property as they occur.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town will continue to maintain natural drainage pathways. Town will update and review the drainage ordinance on a regular basis. Town will work with other governmental entities to address issues where they may have jurisdiction. 	Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing
Objective 6		
Town will proactively seek to preserve significant ridgelines, topographic, and scenic features.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town will investigate potential steep slope regulations to provide for safe development. 	5-10 Years

Goal B: Support health and social services in the community.

Objective 1		
Support the availability of health, wellness, and medical services and facilities in the Edgewood community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town will work with local health entities to identify gaps in services. Town will maintain representation on county or regional health commissions or boards. 	1-5 Years Ongoing
Objective 2		
Continue to support medical transportation services available in Edgewood and study the feasibility of expansion.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town will provide information about available services on the Town of Edgewood website. Town will encourage the North Central Regional Transit District to perform periodic needs assessments for on-demand services in Edgewood. Town will encourage the North Central Regional Transit District to act on needs assessment findings where appropriate. 	1-5 Years Ongoing Ongoing

Goal C: Plan for the long-range water needs of the community.

Objective 1

Town will study development of additional water resources.

Strategies

- Town will continue to work with local and regional water authorities on the development of a water resources study.
- Town will seek out funding sources for water infrastructure where appropriate.
- Town will collaborate with private entities where appropriate.

Timeframe

Ongoing

Ongoing

10-20 Years

Goal D: Plan for its future wastewater treatment needs.

Objective 1

Town will study how best to address wastewater management.

- Town will work with commercial businesses to bring them into compliance with wastewater ordinance.
- Town will provide education to users on how to support the health of the wastewater treatment plant.

Ongoing

Ongoing

Objective 2:

Town will identify the future wastewater treatment needs of commercial areas.

- Town will explore potential funding sources for wastewater infrastructure.

Ongoing

Goal E: 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.

- Town will work with public utility companies to put utilities underground where feasible.
- Town will review ordinances and consider language that addresses locating utilities for new developments underground.

Ongoing

1-5 Years

Objective 2

Regulate the height, location, and lighting of utility structures such as power lines and telecommunication towers.

- Town will continue to enforce the cell tower and dark skies ordinances.
- Town will review and revise cell tower ordinance where appropriate.

Ongoing

1-5 Years

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

Objective 1

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

Strategies

- Town will complete and adopt a Town of Edgewood Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Trails Master Plan.
- Town will continue to pursue the purchase of open spaces for recreation.

Timeframe

1-5 Years
Ongoing

Objective 2

Improve and expand existing outdoor recreational facilities such as parks, sports fields, multi-purpose play areas, and recreational trails; and secure indoor recreational facilities to accommodate a variety of year-round needs.

- Town will prioritize recreational facilities projects and identify funding for prioritized projects.
- Town will pursue regional collaboration on appropriate projects on facilities and services.
- Town will pursue collaboration with counties on providing appropriate recreational facilities and services.

1-5 Years
Ongoing
Ongoing

Objective 3

Implement a trails plan to improve connectivity in the Town, to be referenced in proposed developments and recreational facility development.

- Town will complete and adopt a Town of Edgewood Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Trails Master Plan.
- Town will incorporate Town of Edgewood Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Trails Master Plan elements into relevant design guidelines.

1-5 Years
1-5 Years

Objective 4

Offer diverse recreational opportunities that include the arts, health and fitness, and leisure activities for a variety of populations and age groups.

- Town will identify recreational facilities, projects, and programming, and identify funding for prioritized projects.
- Town will seek to provide recreational activities and programming for all ages.
- Town will pursue regional and county collaboration on appropriate facilities, services, and projects.
- Town will support the Parks and Recreation Department in its pursuit of grant funding.

Ongoing
Ongoing
1-5 Years
Ongoing

Objective 5

Determine the feasibility of various water recreation options for the community.

Strategies

- Town will investigate the feasibility of various water recreation options.

Timeframe

1-5 Years

Goal G: Develop a physical town center, with a town square and activities.

Objective 1

Revisit the conceptual design of Section 16.

- Town will identify funding for redesign process.

5-10 Years

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

Objective 1

Adopt a long-range roads and trails system plan for the Town and surrounding region.

- Town will identify funding for long-range roads and trails system plan.

5-10 Years

Objective 2

Refine the rating system used to evaluate roads and trails to prioritize them for improvement.

- Town will include the feasibility of trails in the system it uses to prioritize roads for improvement.

1-5 Years

Objective 3

Develop road and trail design standards for the Town appropriate to local needs, that enhance transportation for all users.

- Town will identify funding for long-range roads and trails system plan.

1-5 Years

Goal I: Provide a variety of transportation services and facilities.

Objective 1

Continue to develop partnerships with local, state, and federal agencies as well as seek alternative sources of funding in order to expand and maintain a system of bikeways, pedestrian, and equestrian trails in the Town with connections to regional systems where possible and with minimal impact to property owners.

- Town will complete and adopt a Town of Edgewood Trails Plan.
- Town will prioritize recreational facilities projects and identify funding for prioritized projects.
- Town will identify funding for long-range roads and trails system plan.

5-10 Years

1-5 Years

5-10 Years

Objective 2

Town will work to keep the roadways clear for safe travel.

Strategies

- Town will work with Santa Fe County and other entities as appropriate to coordinate snow removal.
- Town will continue to adhere to the roads maintenance schedule.

Timeframe

Ongoing

Ongoing

Objective 3

Support Regional Transit Districts that effectively serve the Edgewood community.

- Town will provide schedule information on the Town of Edgewood website.
- Town will maintain representation on the North Central Regional Transit District Board.

Ongoing

Ongoing

Goal J: Improve police, fire, rescue and public safety services in the Town.

Objective 1

Provide for coordinated emergency rescue services in Edgewood.

- Town will continue to seek opportunities for cross-jurisdictional partnerships.

Ongoing

Objective 2

Refine the rating system used to Develop an emergency plan for Edgewood, including communications with citizens in cases of emergencies.

- Town will identify method of communication with citizens in case of emergencies and secure funding if necessary.
- Town will pursue the development of a coordinated emergency plan that is consistent Santa Fe County and other entities where appropriate.

1-5 Years

1-5 Years

Objective 3

Retain and attract qualified police and emergency responders.

- Town will work with first responders to identify needs and develop potential incentives to retain and attract qualified police and emergency responders.

Ongoing

Objective 4

Increase the Town’s capacity for effective code enforcement.

Strategies

- Town will review relevant ordinances and update as necessary for more effective enforcement.
- Town will seek funding for clean-up projects for blighted properties.
- Town will seek cost-effective methods for blighted property clean-up.

Timeframe

1-5 Years
5-10 Years
5-10 Years

Economic Development

While many Edgewood residents either work elsewhere, such as Albuquerque, or are retired, diversifying the types of jobs in Edgewood will help maintain a stable tax base and increase employment opportunities for residents. Workshop participants expressed the desire for higher paying jobs in Edgewood, as well as to

enhance the educational opportunities available in Town for all ages. In addition to increasing job and educational access, three quarters of Questionnaire respondents agreed or strongly agreed that the Town should strive to present an inviting community image in commercial areas.

Goal K: Ensure land use compatibility for new development.

Objective 1

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

Strategies

- Town will develop a commercial overlay zone.

Timeframe

1-5 Years

Goal L: Present an inviting aesthetic in commercial areas and public spaces.

Objective 1

Develop design guidelines to improve the appearance of buildings and structures and to maintain rural characteristics in the Town of Edgewood.

- Town will work with New Mexico Main Street to develop and adopt design guidelines.

1-5 Years

Housing

A recurring theme at the public workshops both in discussions of housing and economic development was creating conditions (largely through modifications to the zoning code) that would allow for more diverse housing options in order to accommodate a variety of preferences and needs. Questionnaire respondents did not

show support for large apartment complexes, however limited multiple housing units and homes on smaller lots in appropriate areas could help diversify housing options in the Town without drastically altering its small town and rural character.

Goal M: Present an inviting aesthetic in commercial areas and public spaces. Ensure a strong and diverse local economy.

Objective 1

Review and revise local ordinances to aid the retention and expansion of local businesses.

- Town will work with local organizations to identify necessary ordinance changes.

Ongoing

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.

- Town will work with local organizations to recruit new businesses.

Ongoing

Objective 3

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

- Town will work with local organizations to identify strategies to attract visitors and tourists.

Ongoing

Objective 4

Identify appropriate areas for light industrial activities, minimize off-site impacts on surrounding lands, and ensure that adequate water, access, and other infrastructure needs can be met.

- Town will identify and work to rezone relevant properties.
- Town will pursue funding opportunities to develop infrastructure for industrial land.

1-5 Years

1-5 Years

Objective 5	Strategies	Timeframe
Improve Internet access in Edgewood.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town will identify resources to improve internet access in the Town. 	Ongoing

Goal N: Support the development of a diverse and qualified workforce residing in Edgewood.

Objective 1		
Support local programs to improve workforce skills and abilities of residents through adult education programs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town and residents will continue to bring adult education programs to the Town. 	1-5 Years

Objective 2		
Promote job training programs through partnerships with educational institutions and local businesses.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town will create partnerships with local workforce organizations, educational institutions, and businesses to promote job training programs. 	1-5 Years

Objective 3		
Research and support programs that could facilitate training and employment opportunities for youth in the community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town will work with local workforce organizations to promote local job training programs. 	1-5 Years

Objective 4		
Partner with educational institutions and community members to coordinate and collaborate on educational services and facilities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town will work with local schools and districts to collaborate on educational services and facilities. 	Ongoing
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town will seek ways to provide GED prep programs in Edgewood. 	1-5 Years

Goal O: Support a variety of housing and residential opportunities for Edgewood residents.

Objective 1	Strategies	Timeframe
Allow limited multiple-housing units designed in a manner that would integrate with surrounding neighborhoods.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town will work to create design standards to help new multiple-housing units to integrate with surrounding neighborhoods. 	Ongoing

Objective 2

Support special housing opportunities for the elderly and other special needs populations.

Strategies

- Town will evaluate zoning ordinance to ensure zoning can accommodate these uses.

Timeframe

1-5 Years

Objective 3

Plan for a full spectrum of residential lot sizes.

- Town will review zoning ordinance and update as needed to plan for a full spectrum of residential lot sizes.

1-5 Years

APPENDIX A

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-11 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE TOWN OF EDGEWOOD COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN

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

WHEREAS, the Town of Edgewood Planning & Zoning Commission and various members of the community have been working as a steering committee with the staff of the MRCOG on updating the Comprehensive Land Use Plan since August 2018; and

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

WHEREAS, the staff of the MRCOG, in consultation with the Town of Edgewood Planning & Zoning Commission, members from the community 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 Land Use Plan; and

WHEREAS, Goals and Objectives for the Town of Edgewood Comprehensive Land Use 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 of Edgewood Planning & Zoning Commission, and will be used to provide a basis for strategic planning recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Resolution No. 2019-11, A Resolution Adopting Goals and Objectives for the Town of Edgewood Comprehensive Land Use Plan will repeal and replace Resolution 2019-04 A Resolution Adopting Goals and Objectives for the Town of Edgewood Comprehensive Land Use Plan.

PASSED, ADOPTED, and APPROVED this 19th day of June 2019, by the Town Council of the Town of Edgewood, New Mexico.


John Bassett, Mayor

ATTEST:


Juan Torres, Clerk-Treasurer

APPENDIX B

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-12

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING ACTION STRATEGIES FOR THE TOWN OF EDGEWOOD COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN

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

WHEREAS, the Town of Edgewood Planning & Zoning Commission and various members of the community have been working as a steering committee with the staff of the MRCOG on updating the Comprehensive Land Use Plan since August 2018; and

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

WHEREAS, the staff of MRCOG, in consultation with the Town of Edgewood Planning & Zoning Commission, members from the community 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 the Action Strategies for the Comprehensive Land Use Plan; and

WHEREAS, Action Strategies for the Town of Edgewood Comprehensive Land Use 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 of Edgewood Planning & Zoning Commission, and will be used to provide a basis for strategic planning recommendations.

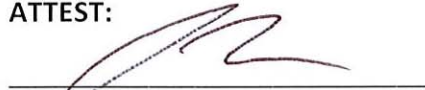
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Edgewood Town Council does adopt the Action Strategies for the Town of Edgewood Comprehensive Land Use Plan, hereby attached and made a part of this Resolution.

PASSED, ADOPTED, and APPROVED this 19th day of June 2019, by the Town Council of the Town of Edgewood, New Mexico.



John Bassett, Mayor

ATTEST:



Juan Torres, Clerk-Treasurer

APPENDIX C

[Resolution adopting the comprehensive plan]

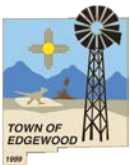
APPENDIX D

Town of Edgewood, New Mexico

Questionnaire Report: Public Opinion About Future Development

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ABOUT THE QUESTIONNAIRE

This Questionnaire is part of the public involvement process for developing a Comprehensive Plan for the Town of Edgewood. Comprehensive planning is done in order to determine a community's goals and aspirations for future development. The resulting Comprehensive Plan is a vision and public policy document used to accomplish several important objectives: it serves as a guide for future decision making about growth and development; it provides relevant information about the character of the community; it fulfills a legal requirement for municipal zoning regulations; and it serves as a point of reference for other more specific types of plans and programs in the community. The Comprehensive Plan is oriented to a 20-plus-year horizon; however, it is important to realize that conditions can change quickly in a growing community. Consequently, planning should be seen as an iterative process that requires continual review of the official plan document followed by updates and modifications as necessary.

This report presents the findings of the online Questionnaire that was open for public responses between September 10 and October 8, 2018. The Questionnaire aimed to gauge public opinion on a variety of development topics. The results of this Questionnaire will help guide the development goals and objectives that serve as a framework for the Comprehensive Plan document.

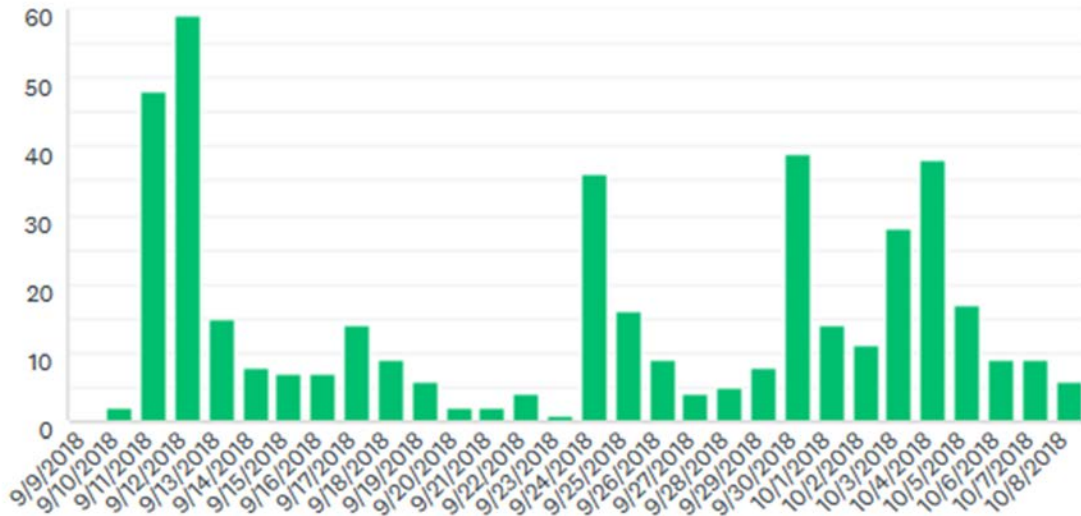
Overall, 432 people responded to the Questionnaire and provided numerous write-in responses, which are included in this report.

METHODOLOGY

Before designing the Questionnaire, a list of potential development issues was compiled in order to focus on the land use and community development topics that are pertinent to Edgewood residents. The list of issues was based on the topics used in the development of the previous Comprehensive Plan, which was then vetted by the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee for relevance today, over ten years later. From this list, staff developed questions to pose to the community, which were once again vetted by the Committee.

The Questionnaire was made available through the online survey engine SurveyMonkey. It is comprised of seven topics sections: Quality of Life, Housing, Transportation, Public Facilities and Services, Economic Development, Environment, and Respondent Information (asking where the respondents live and where they work). The survey contains one write-in response question, three multiple-choice questions, and 31 statements to rank relating to community development and land use potential for the Town of Edgewood. Respondents were asked to rate each of the 31 statement on their personal level of agreement or disagreement based on the following scale: "Strongly agree," "Agree," "Neither agree or disagree," "Disagree," and "Strongly disagree."

Responses (By Day) September 10 – October 8, 2018



The first six sections each included a “General comments” opportunity should the respondent want to elaborate on any of their answers. All write-in responses are included in the Appendix of this document.

To solicit participation in the Questionnaire and the Comprehensive Planning process, the Town hosted a kick-off meeting on September 11, 2018. The public meeting was advertised in the Independent newspaper, on the Town of Edgewood website and Facebook page, the electronic message sign at the intersection of I-40 and NM 344, and via the Greater Edgewood Area Chamber of Commerce website, Facebook page, and list serve. Once the Questionnaire was closed, three public workshops were held to delve deeper into its findings. The topics of Quality of Life and Public Services and Community Facilities were covered in the November 13 workshop; Housing and Transportation were covered on November 20; and Economic Development was covered on December 4. Because the topic of Environment fits well with discussions of quality of life and public facilities/services, it was incorporated there rather than separately.

The opinions that are expressed in the results of this questionnaire may or may not be representative of the total population of the residents in the greater Edgewood community. However, they do provide a sampling of citizen opinions on a range of issues and can help to identify important issues, values, and expectations, of the community; and will be of great value in guiding the goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan of the Town of Edgewood.



QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS

The results of the Edgewood Comprehensive Plan Questionnaire are categorized by section and topic. Each question is listed with the responses displayed graphically underneath, along with the count of responses for each option and the percentage share that represents. Also included is how many respondents answered each question and how many of them skipped the question. All of the write-in responses are included in the Appendix section.



SECTION 1 | QUALITY OF LIFE

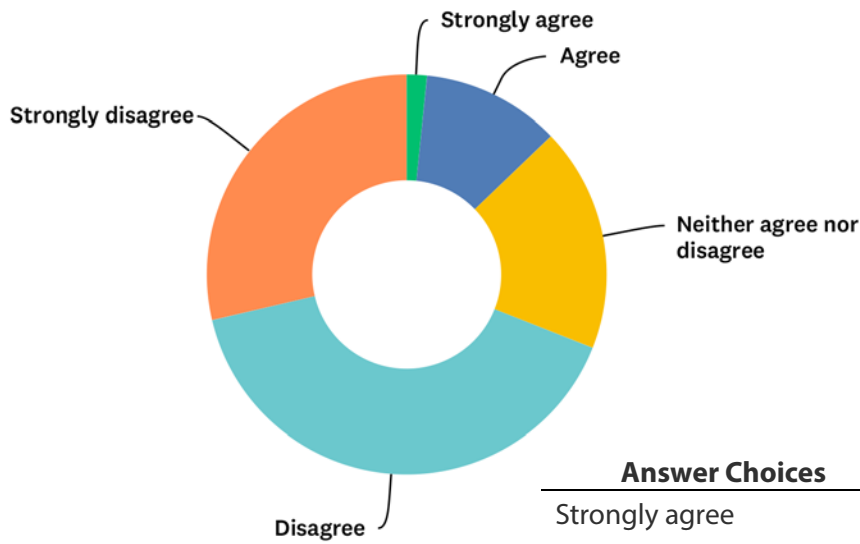
It was a goal of the Town's previous Comprehensive Plan to "Preserve and enhance the Edgewood community character and rural quality of life." The Town has grown both geographically and in population since the previous plan was adopted, so two central questions that underly this and other areas of the Questionnaire are, do residents still want the Town to preserve and enhance its rural character? And if so, in which ways?

The Quality of Life section asks whether rural character is still important to residents. It also asks about residents' desires for amenities and activities in Edgewood. Lastly, this section asks what is unique about Edgewood that residents would like to see maintained in the next 20 years.

Overall, respondents expressed a strong desire to keep Edgewood's rural character. Respondents also indicate the need for more activities in Edgewood (particularly for teens), and express the desire to be able to get most everything they need without leaving Edgewood. There was, however, a very mixed response as to whether residents can currently get most everything they need without leaving Edgewood.

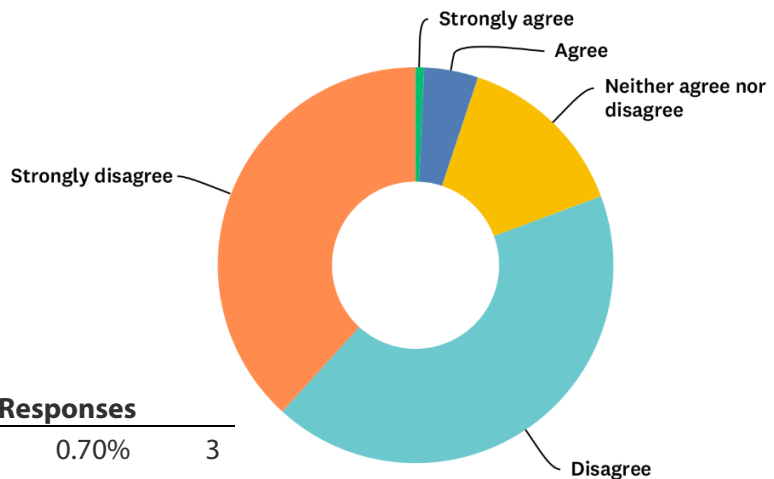


1 | There are enough things for children to do in Edgewood.



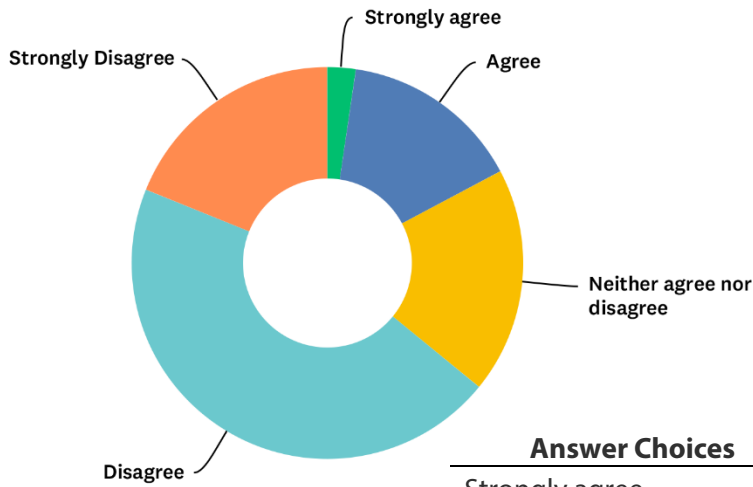
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	1.63%	7
Agree	11.19%	48
Neither agree nor disagree	18.18%	78
Disagree	40.33%	173
Strongly disagree	28.67%	123
	Answered	429
	Skipped	3

2 | There are enough things for teens to do in Edgewood.



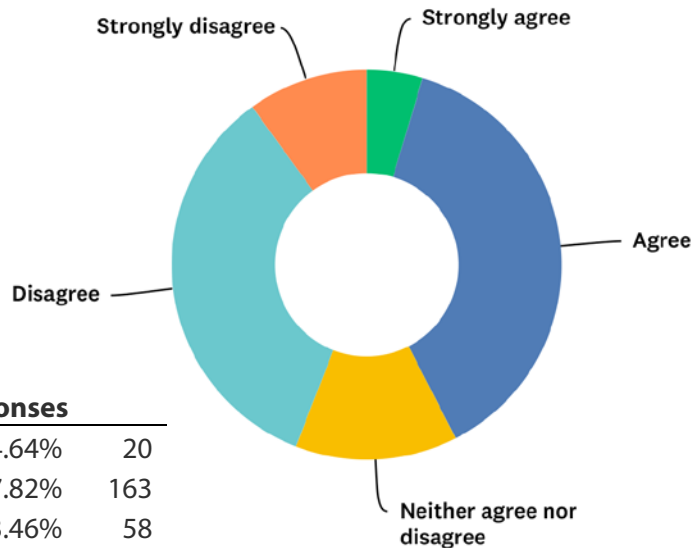
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	0.70%	3
Agree	4.43%	19
Neither agree nor disagree	14.22%	61
Disagree	42.42%	182
Strongly disagree	38.23%	164
	Answered	429
	Skipped	3

3 | There are enough things for adults to do in Edgewood.



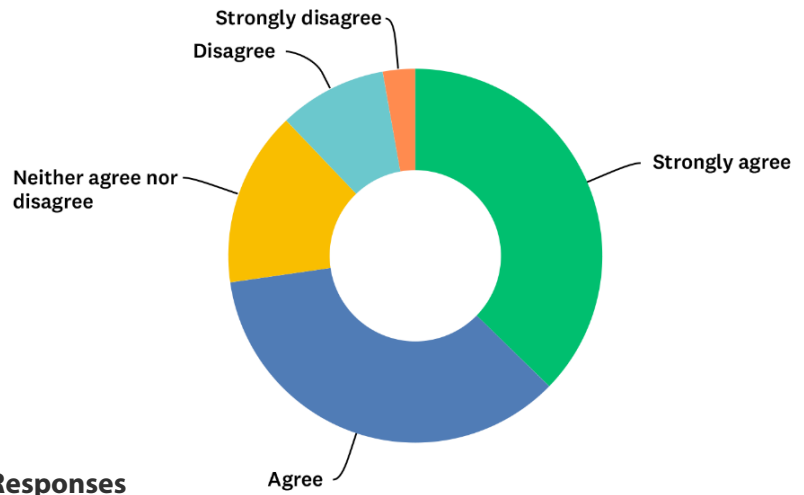
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	2.33%	10
Agree	14.92%	64
Neither agree nor disagree	18.65%	80
Disagree	45.22%	194
Strongly Disagree	18.88%	81
Answered		429
Skipped		3

4 | I can get most everything I need without leaving Edgewood.



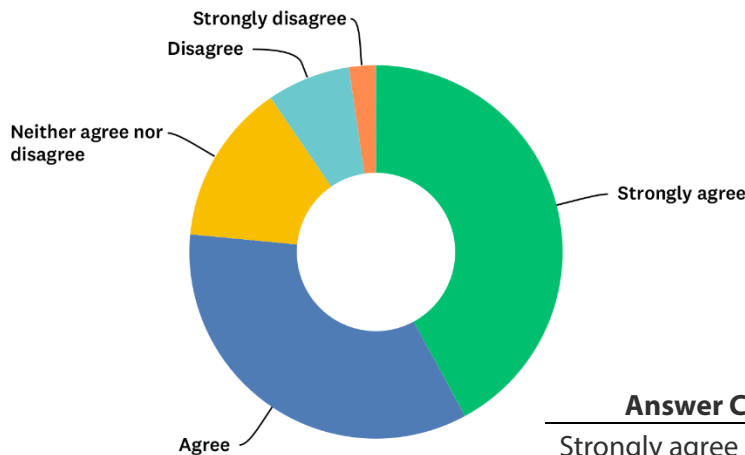
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	4.64%	20
Agree	37.82%	163
Neither agree nor disagree	13.46%	58
Disagree	34.11%	147
Strongly disagree	9.98%	43
Answered		431
Skipped		1

5 | I want to be able to get most everything I need without leaving Edgewood (live, work, and play).



Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	37.30%	160
Agree	35.43%	152
Neither agree nor disagree	15.15%	65
Disagree	9.32%	40
Strongly disagree	2.80%	12
	Answered	429
	Skipped	3

6 | The Town of Edgewood should strive to keep its rural character.



Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	42.09%	181
Agree	34.42%	148
Neither agree nor disagree	13.95%	60
Disagree	7.21%	31
Strongly disagree	2.33%	10
	Answered	430
	Skipped	2

7 | What is unique about Edgewood that you would like to see maintained in the next 20 years?

Please see the Appendix for write-in responses.

Answered	299
Skipped	133

8 | General comments (optional)

Please see the Appendix for write-in responses.

Answered	161
Skipped	271

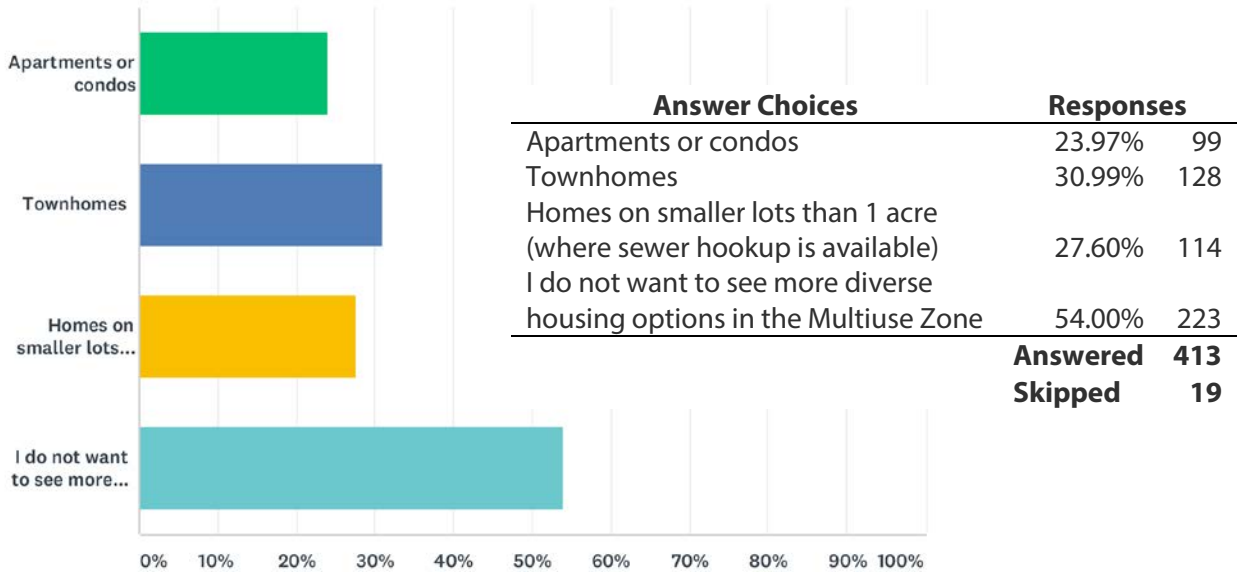
SECTION 2 | HOUSING

To assess community needs and desires for various housing types in Edgewood, this section asks specifically about large lot development, independent or assisted living facilities, affordable housing, and townhomes, condos, and homes on smaller lots in the Town’s multiuse zone.

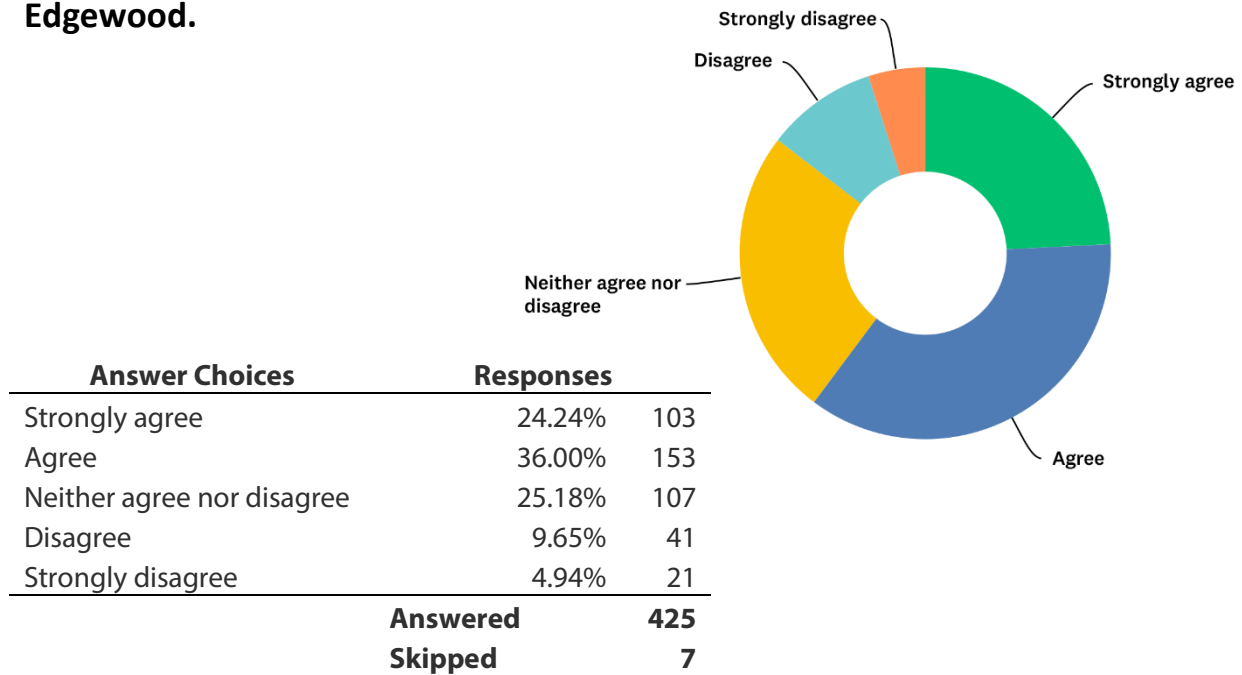
Respondents did not show strong support for more diverse housing options in the Town’s multiuse zone, however the support for apartments or condos, townhomes, and homes on smaller lots was fairly equal. Respondents were generally in favor of or did not have strong feelings about seeing more large lot residential development in Edgewood. There were mostly positive and neutral sentiments about needing more independent or assisted living facilities in the Town. In contrast, there was very mixed response about affordable housing for low income/fixed income families in Edgewood, and markedly less “Strongly agree” responses.



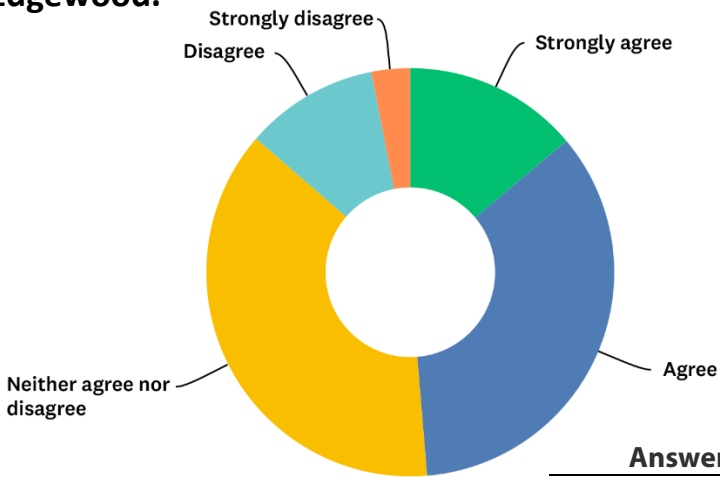
9 | I would like to see more diverse housing options of the following housing types in the Town’s Multiuse Zone (Check all that apply):



10 | There should be more large lot residential development (1 or more acres) in Edgewood.

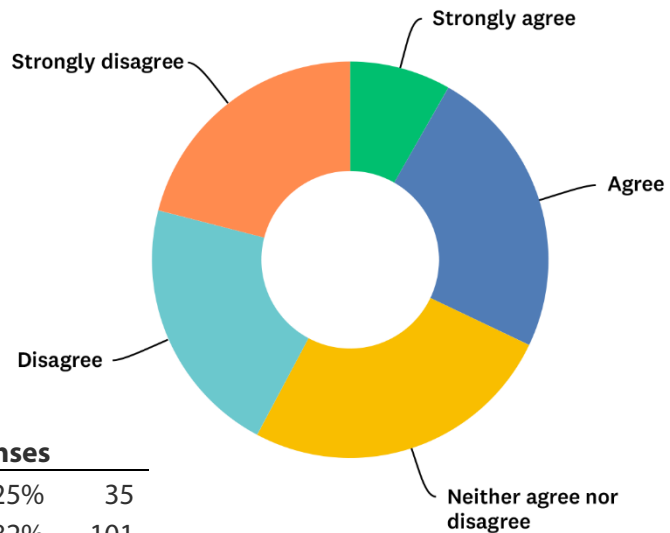


11 | There needs to be more independent or assisted living facilities available in Edgewood.



Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	13.88%	59
Agree	34.82%	148
Neither agree nor disagree	37.65%	160
Disagree	10.59%	45
Strongly disagree	3.06%	13
	Answered	425
	Skipped	7

12 | Edgewood needs Affordable Housing for low income/fixed income families.



Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	8.25%	35
Agree	23.82%	101
Neither agree nor disagree	25.71%	109
Disagree	21.23%	90
Strongly disagree	20.99%	89
	Answered	424
	Skipped	8

13 | General comments (optional)

Please see the Appendix for write-in responses.

Answered	120
Skipped	312

SECTION 3 | TRANSPORTATION

This section asked respondents about parking, the local road network, public transportation, a second exit on I-40 into Edgewood, a trails network for transportation in the Town, and upgrading the roads to hard surfaces.

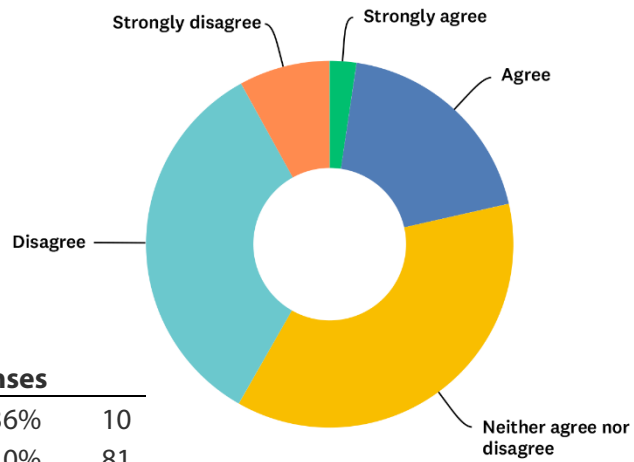
According to the responses and further discussion at the pursuant public meeting on the topic, while parking may be an issue during large events in certain instances, for the most part it is not a huge challenge to find parking in Edgewood. When asked whether non-paved roads help maintain Edgewood’s rural character, responses were mixed, with many fewer “Strongly agree” responses. In fact, there was strong support for the Town upgrading the roads to hard surfaces as it is able. There was general agreement that the current local road network serving Edgewood meets residents needs. For non-motorized transportation, there was strong support for trails linking homes, businesses, and public places to facilitate non-motorized transportation.

Responses were very mixed, with a larger “Disagree” response for a second exit east of the current exit from I-40 being necessary. Some write-in responses cited locations they would prefer that a second exit go instead.

There were largely neutral and negative responses to the current public transportation currently serving Edgewood being adequate. The public transportation services currently available in Edgewood are the Blue Bus, providing service to Santa Fe and El Dorado, operated by the North Central Regional Transit District, and the New Mexico Department of Transportation- operated park and ride service between Edgewood and Albuquerque.

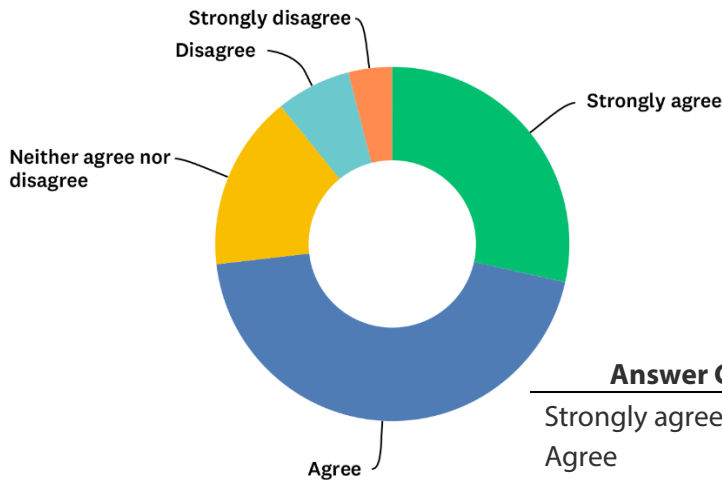


14 | It is challenging to find parking in Edgewood, particularly for large events.



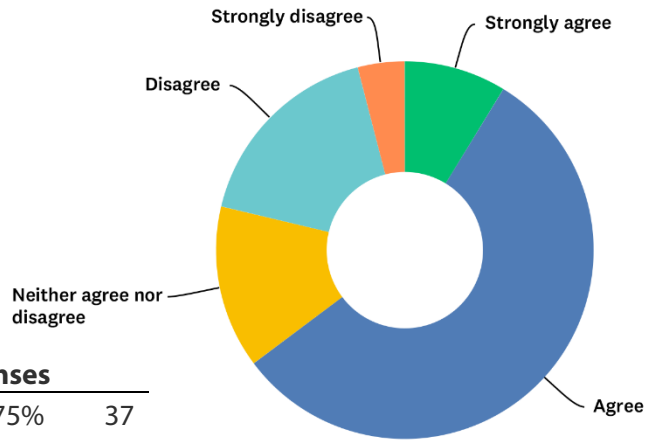
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	2.36%	10
Agree	19.10%	81
Neither agree nor disagree	36.79%	156
Disagree	33.73%	143
Strongly disagree	8.02%	34
	Answered	424
	Skipped	8

15 | Trails should link homes, businesses, and public places to facilitate non-motorized transportation.



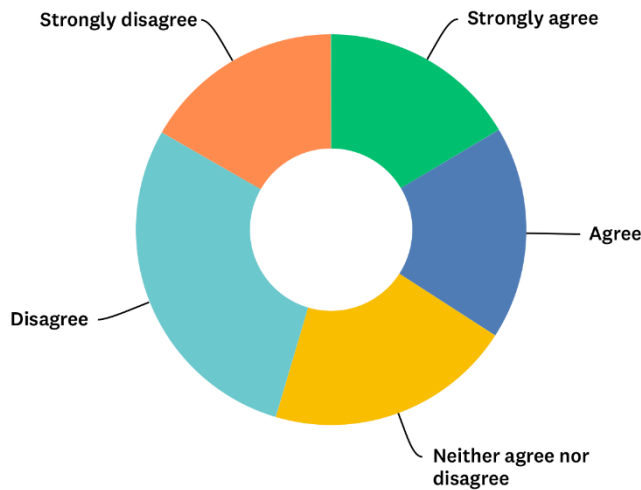
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	28.47%	121
Agree	44.71%	190
Neither agree nor disagree	16.00%	68
Disagree	6.82%	29
Strongly disagree	4.00%	17
	Answered	425
	Skipped	7

16 | The local road network provides safe and convenient access to my destinations of choice.



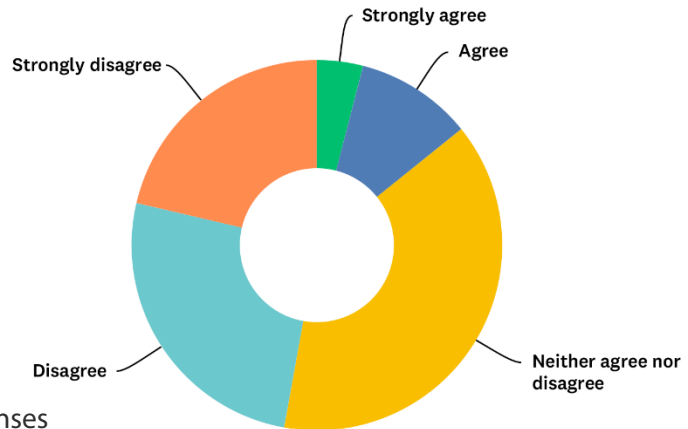
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	8.75%	37
Agree	56.03%	237
Neither agree nor disagree	13.95%	59
Disagree	17.26%	73
Strongly disagree	4.02%	17
	Answered	423
	Skipped	9

17 | A second exit from I-40 is needed for Edgewood (east of the current exit).



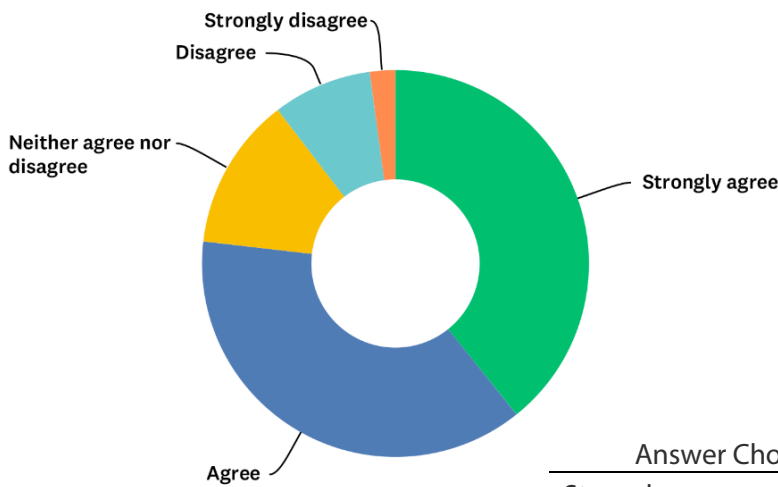
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	16.47%	70
Agree	17.65%	75
Neither agree nor disagree	20.47%	87
Disagree	28.71%	122
Strongly disagree	16.71%	71
	Answered	425
	Skipped	7

18 | The public transportation currently serving Edgewood is adequate.



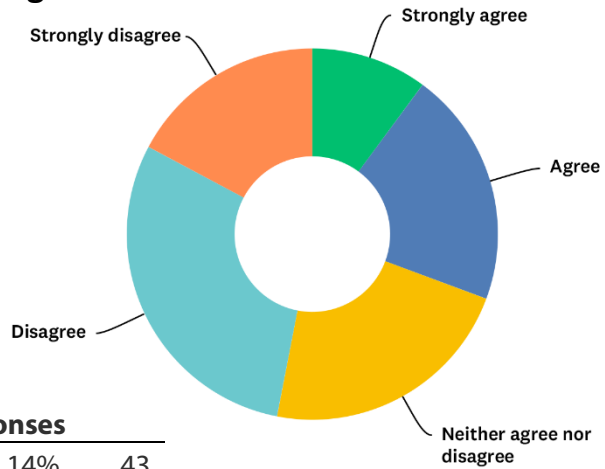
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	4.03%	17
Agree	10.19%	43
Neither agree nor disagree	38.63%	163
Disagree	25.83%	109
Strongly disagree	21.33%	90
	Answered	422
	Skipped	10

19 | The town should upgrade roads to hard surfaces as it is able.



Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	39.24%	166
Agree	37.59%	159
Neither agree nor disagree	12.77%	54
Disagree	8.27%	35
Strongly disagree	2.13%	9
	Answered	423
	Skipped	9

20 | Non-paved roads help maintain Edgewood’s rural character.



Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	10.14%	43
Agree	20.52%	87
Neither agree nor disagree	22.41%	95
Disagree	29.72%	126
Strongly disagree	17.22%	73
	Answered	424
	Skipped	8

21 | General comments (optional)

Please see the Appendix for write-in responses.

Answered 152
Skipped 280

SECTION 4 | PUBLIC FACILITIES AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

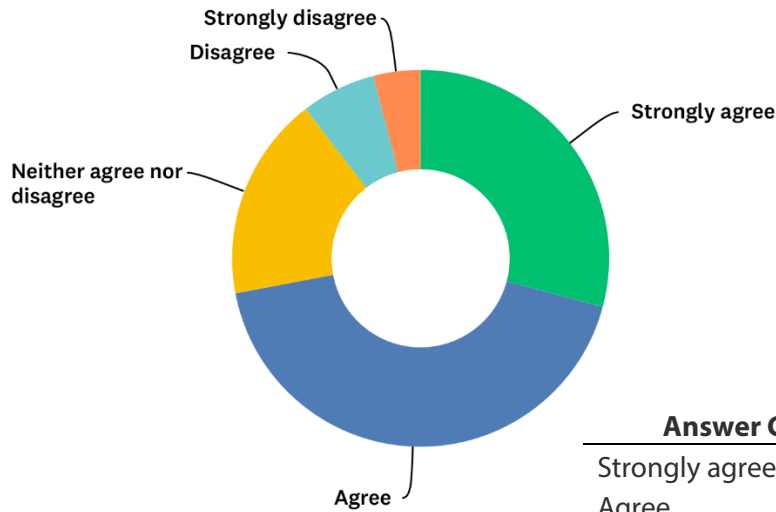
This section of the Questionnaire asked respondents about public parking at trailheads, multi-use trails for recreation, public parks, and recreational open spaces. Respondents voiced strong support for more multi-use trails for recreation, public parks, and recreational open spaces in Edgewood.

Respondents were asked whether recreational space for motorized, off-highway vehicles are needed in Edgewood. The responses to this question were much more mixed. Discussion at the pursuant public meeting for this topic indicated that addressing the noise and dust produced from the use of these vehicles would be critical to determining an appropriate location for their use, should that become a priority.

The last question asked respondents if there are services or amenities they would like but that are not currently available in Edgewood. Almost three quarters of respondents said there are services or amenities they would like in Edgewood that are not currently available to them, and provided many specifics in their write-in responses, available in the Appendix. The top three most frequently cited amenities were a swimming pool, a movie theater/theater, and restaurants.

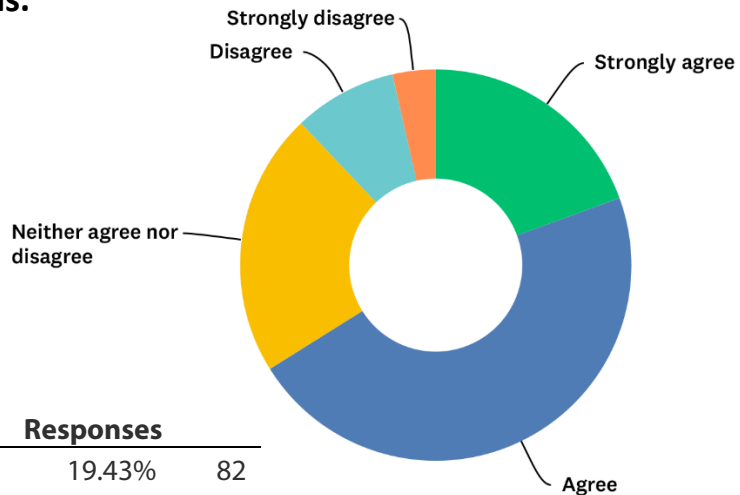


22 | More multi-use trails are needed in Edgewood for non-motorized recreation.



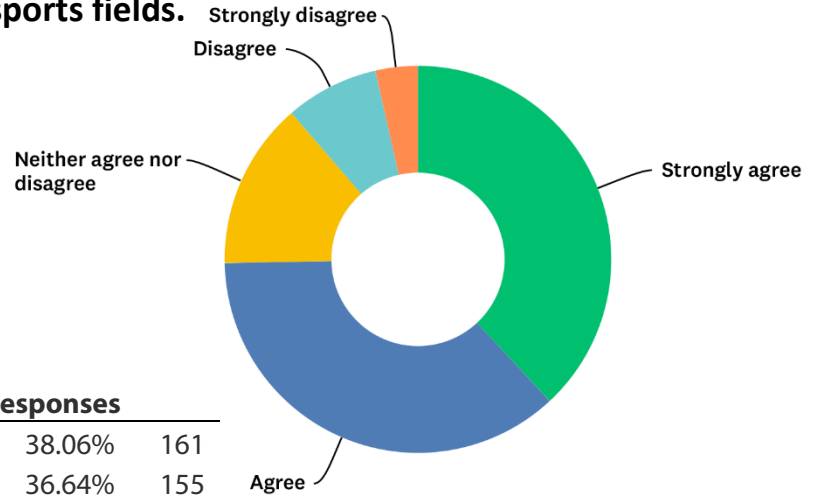
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	29.15%	123
Agree	42.89%	181
Neither agree nor disagree	17.54%	74
Disagree	6.40%	27
Strongly disagree	4.03%	17
	Answered	422
	Skipped	10

23 | Public parking areas at trailheads will make it easier for me to access existing non-motorized trails.



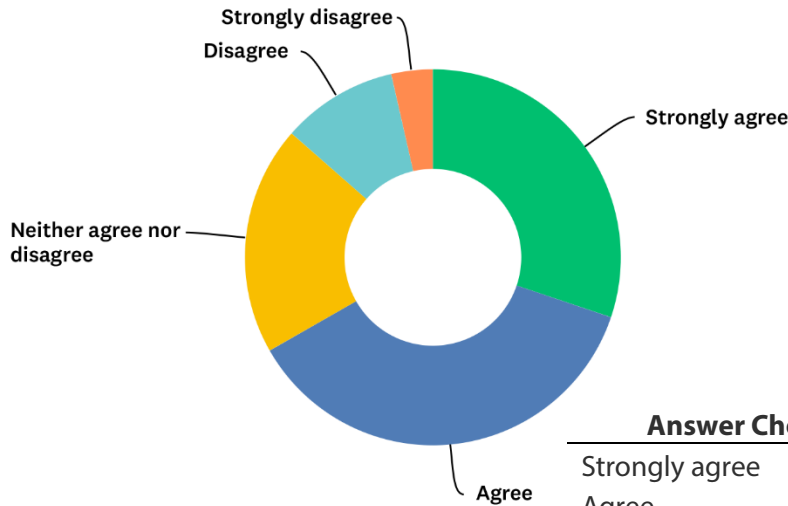
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	19.43%	82
Agree	46.68%	197
Neither agree nor disagree	21.80%	92
Disagree	8.53%	36
Strongly disagree	3.55%	15
	Answered	422
	Skipped	10

24 | More public parks are needed in Edgewood with amenities such as playgrounds, dog parks, and sports fields.



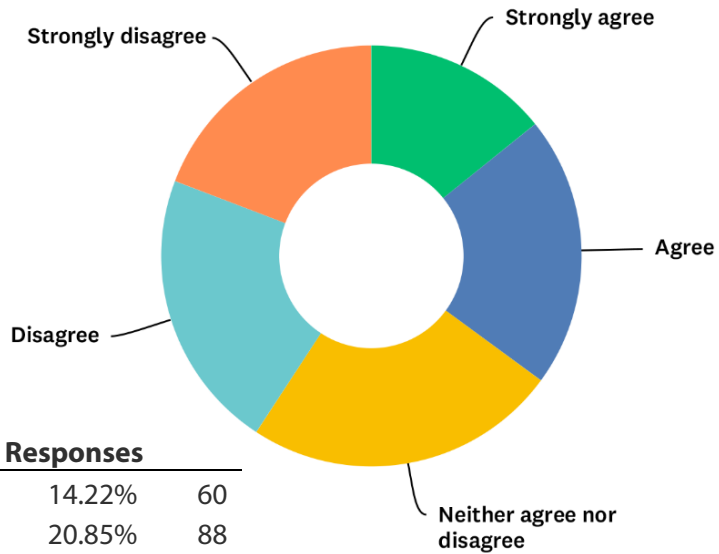
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	38.06%	161
Agree	36.64%	155
Neither agree nor disagree	13.95%	59
Disagree	7.80%	33
Strongly disagree	3.55%	15
	Answered	423
	Skipped	9

25 | More recreational open spaces are needed in the Edgewood area.



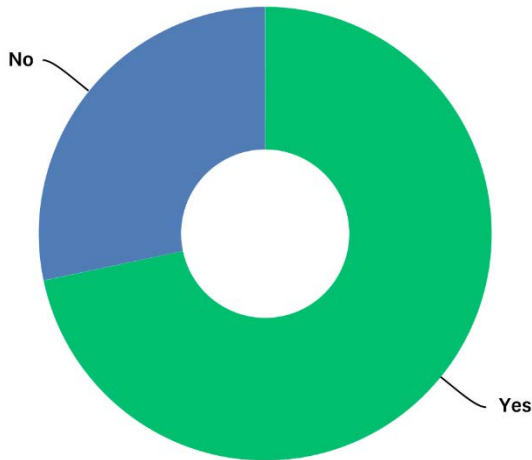
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	30.17%	127
Agree	36.58%	154
Neither agree nor disagree	19.71%	83
Disagree	9.98%	42
Strongly disagree	3.56%	15
	Answered	421
	Skipped	11

26 | Recreational space for motorized, off-highway vehicles are needed in Edgewood.



Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	14.22%	60
Agree	20.85%	88
Neither agree nor disagree	24.17%	102
Disagree	21.56%	91
Strongly disagree	19.19%	81
Answered	422	
Skipped	10	

27 | Are there services or amenities you would like but that are not currently available in Edgewood?



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	71.69%	271
No	28.31%	107
If so, what?*		276
Answered	378	
Skipped	54	

* Please see the Appendix for write-in responses.

28 | General comments (optional)

Please see the Appendix for write-in responses.

Answered	80
Skipped	352

SECTION 5 | ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

This section inquired about commercial business development in Edgewood in order to get a sense of whether residents want to see more commercial business growth, where they think it is appropriate for this growth to go, and what mix of smaller and larger businesses is appropriate for the Town.

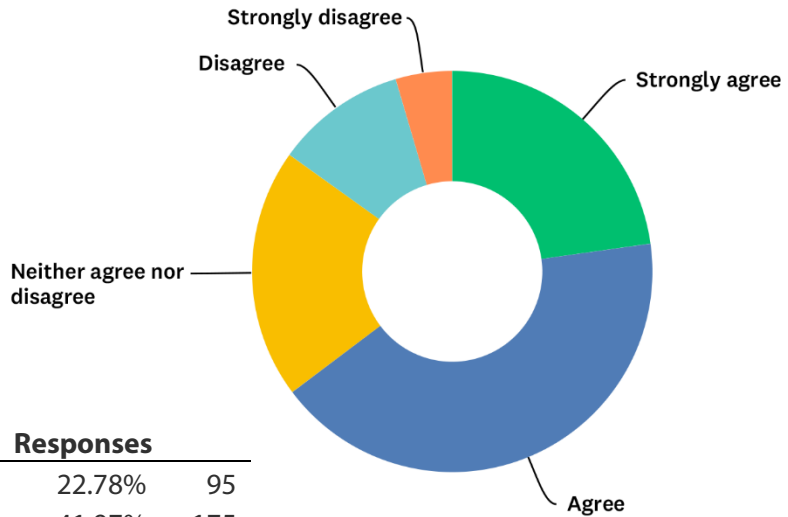
Responses showed general support for more business development in the Town and distinct agreement that the Town should maintain specific corridors for commercial development. There was much more mixed and negative response to small pockets of commercial activity being allowed in residential areas, a response which tracks with the results of the previous Comprehensive Plan Survey. Discussions at the public workshop for this topic indicated support for commercial development largely taking place along specific main corridors rather than having small clusters of business development in residential areas. Support for a technology/light industrial/business park being developed in Edgewood was mixed but generally more positive than not.

Respondents showed a strong desire for the Town to strive to present an inviting community image in commercial areas. This could indicate that residents would support implementing design guidelines in commercial areas, something that could be explored post-Comprehensive Plan adoption.

Questionnaire respondents indicated they would like to support small business development in Edgewood but would like to see a mix of both small and larger businesses.

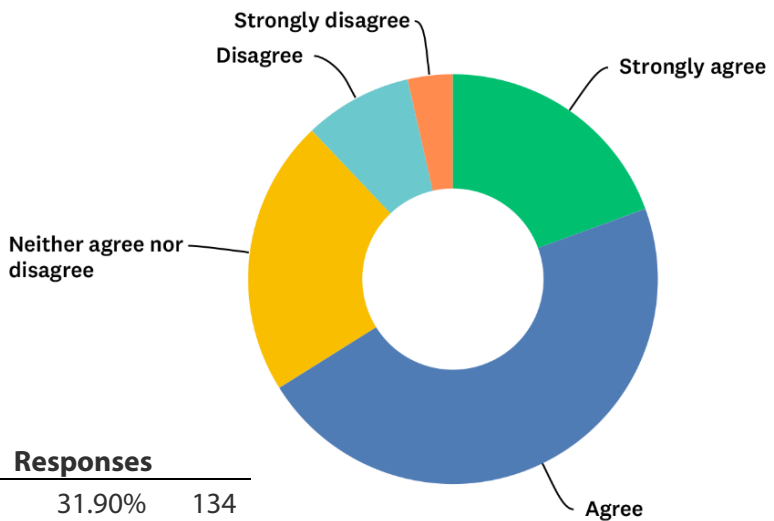


29 | There should be more commercial business development in the Town.



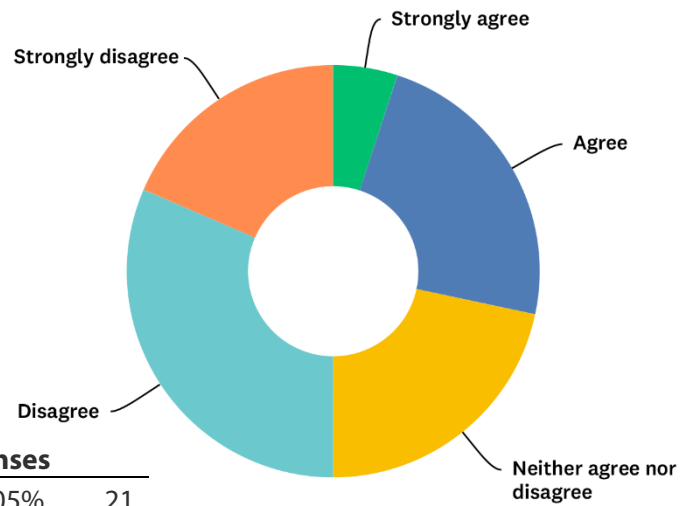
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	22.78%	95
Agree	41.97%	175
Neither agree nor disagree	20.14%	84
Disagree	10.55%	44
Strongly disagree	4.56%	19
	Answered	417
	Skipped	15

30 | The town should maintain specific corridors for commercial development.



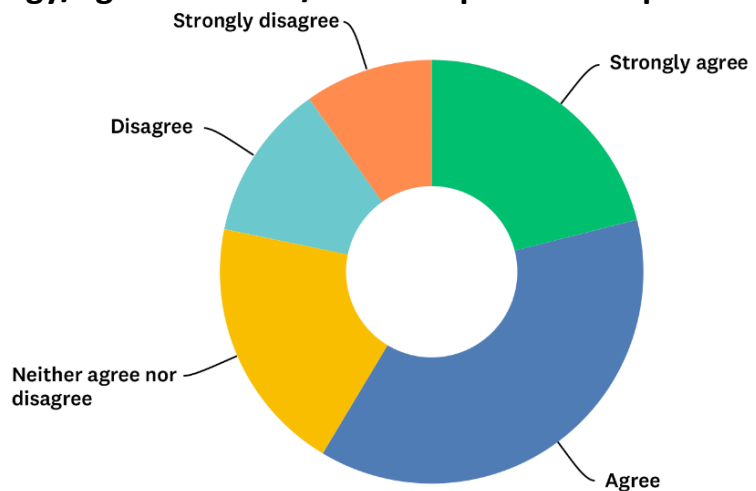
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	31.90%	134
Agree	48.33%	203
Neither agree nor disagree	12.14%	51
Disagree	4.29%	18
Strongly disagree	3.33%	14
	Answered	420
	Skipped	12

31 | Small pockets of commercial activity should be allowed in residential areas.



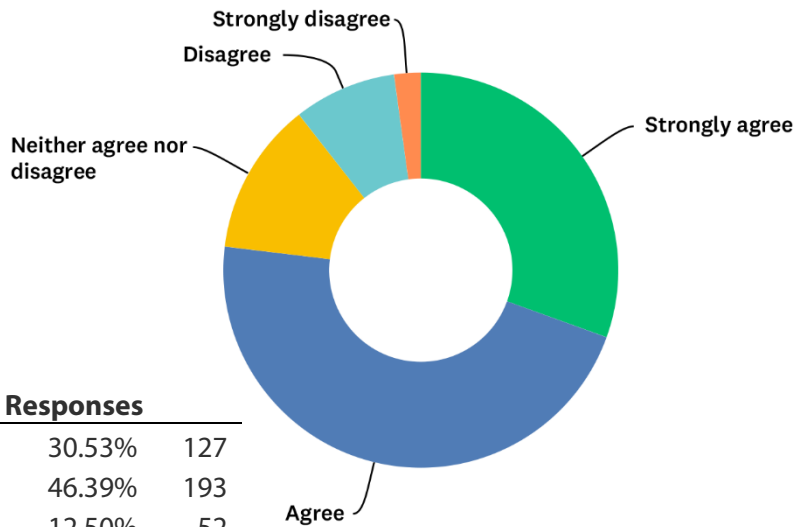
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	5.05%	21
Agree	23.32%	97
Neither agree nor disagree	21.63%	90
Disagree	31.49%	131
Strongly disagree	18.51%	77
	Answered	416
	Skipped	16

32 | I would like to see technology/light industrial/business park development in Edgewood.



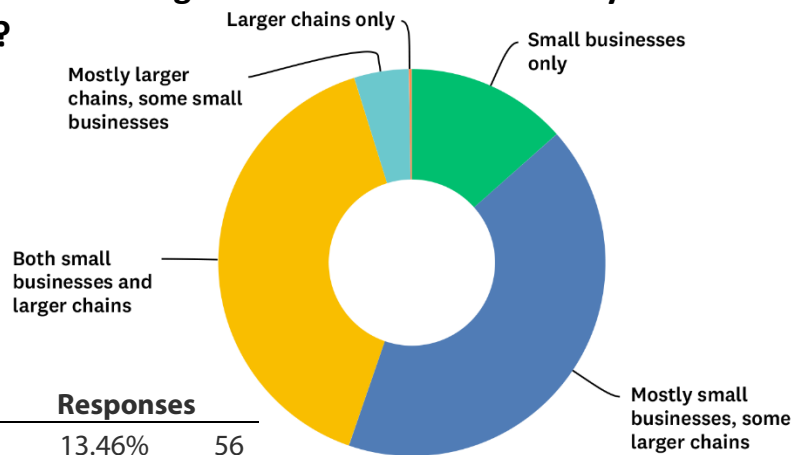
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	21.05%	88
Agree	37.56%	157
Neither agree nor disagree	19.62%	82
Disagree	11.96%	50
Strongly disagree	9.81%	41
	Answered	418
	Skipped	14

33 | Edgewood should strive to present an inviting community image in commercial areas.



Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	30.53%	127
Agree	46.39%	193
Neither agree nor disagree	12.50%	52
Disagree	8.41%	35
Strongly disagree	2.16%	9
	Answered	416
	Skipped	16

34 | What mix of small businesses and larger chain businesses would you like to see in Edgewood in the future?



Answer Choices	Responses	
Small businesses only	13.46%	56
Mostly small businesses, some larger chains	41.83%	174
Both small businesses and larger chains	39.90%	166
Mostly larger chains, some small businesses	4.57%	19
Larger chains only	0.24%	1
	Answered	416
	Skipped	16

35 | General comments (optional)

Please see the Appendix for write-in responses.

Answered	110
Skipped	322

SECTION 6 | ENVIRONMENT

This section asked about preserving Edgewood’s natural features, the Town’s water system, and drainage.

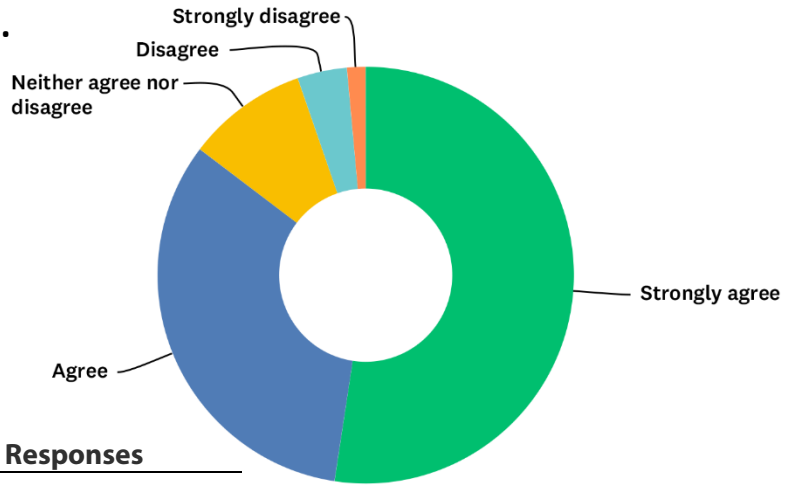
Respondents felt very strongly that to the extent possible, Edgewood should seek to preserve significant ridgelines, topographic features, and scenic features. While in some areas this would be difficult for the Town to regulate, the surrounding natural beauty is a theme that permeates many discussions of why residents love Edgewood and ties into the Section 1 findings that respondents feel strongly about keeping Edgewood’s rural character.

Responses were very mixed about the Town needing to develop its own water system.

There were also mixed responses about drainage being a big problem in the Town after large storms. Write-in responses and discussions at the public meetings indicated that it is not a huge problem generally, but it is dependent on location.

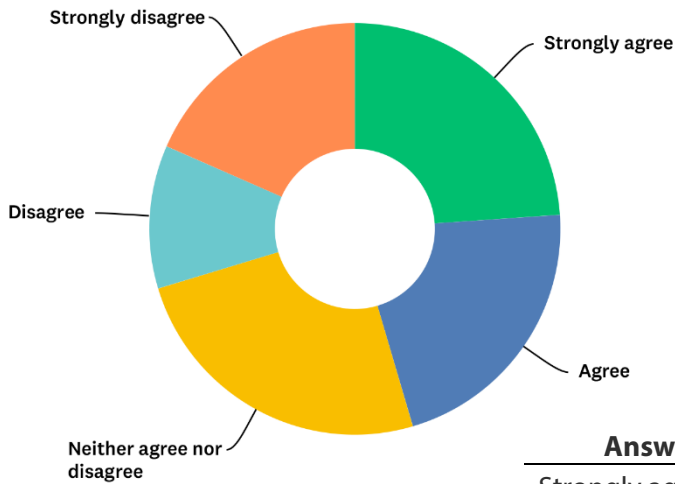


36 | Edgewood should seek to preserve significant ridgelines, topographic features, and scenic features.



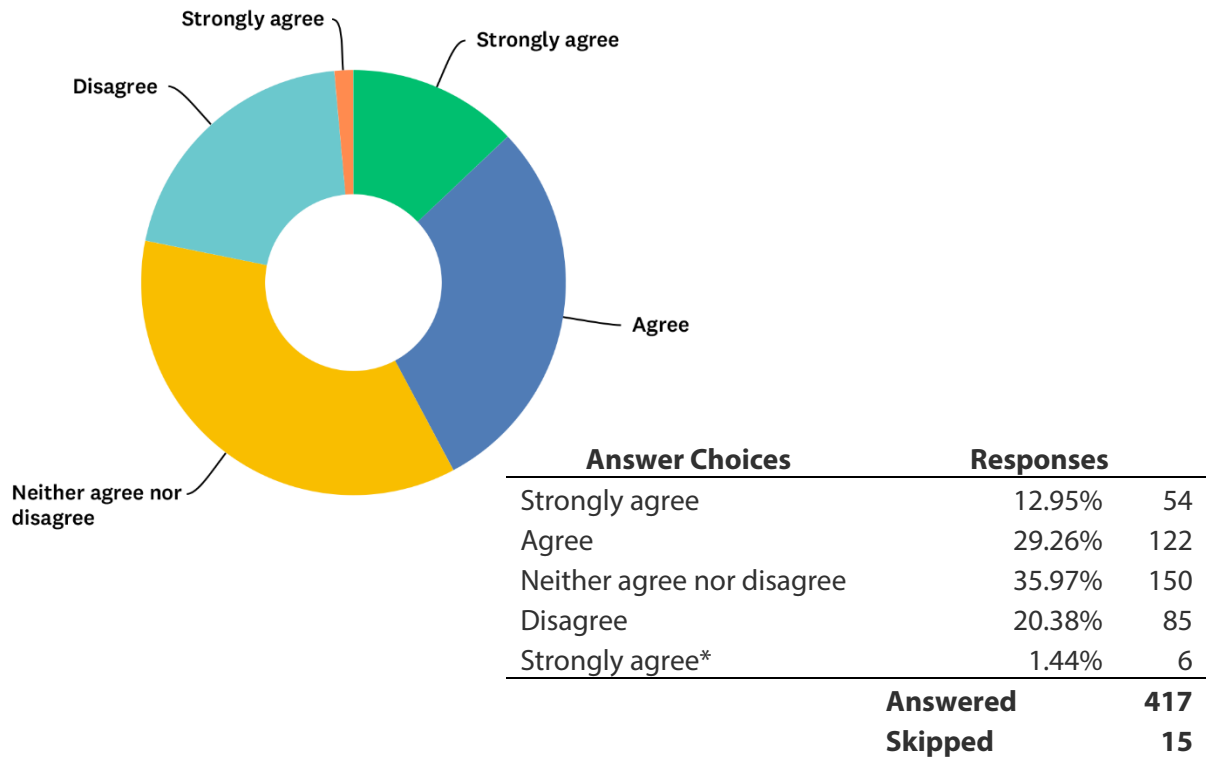
Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	52.40%	218
Agree	32.93%	137
Neither agree nor disagree	9.38%	39
Disagree	3.85%	16
Strongly disagree	1.44%	6
	Answered	416
	Skipped	16

37 | Edgewood needs to develop its own water system.



Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly agree	23.92%	100
Agree	21.53%	90
Neither agree nor disagree	24.88%	104
Disagree	11.24%	47
Strongly disagree	18.42%	77
	Answered	418
	Skipped	14

38 | After big storms, proper drainage is a big problem in Edgewood.



**Staff are aware of this typo and understand it may have affected the response rate for this answer choice. Although staff chose to include the responses to Question 38 in this report, input gathered from write-in responses to this question and from public meetings will be used to inform drainage discussions in the Comprehensive Plan.*

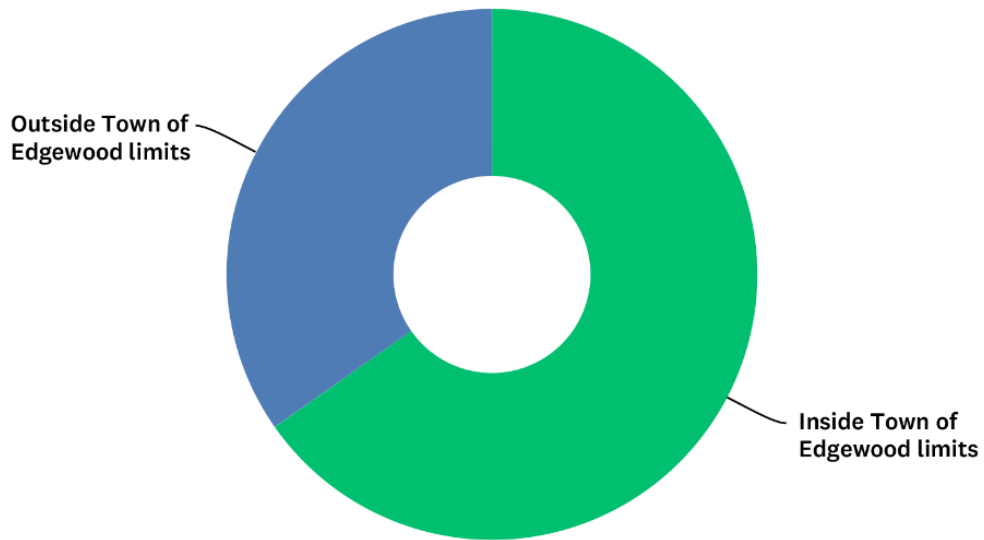
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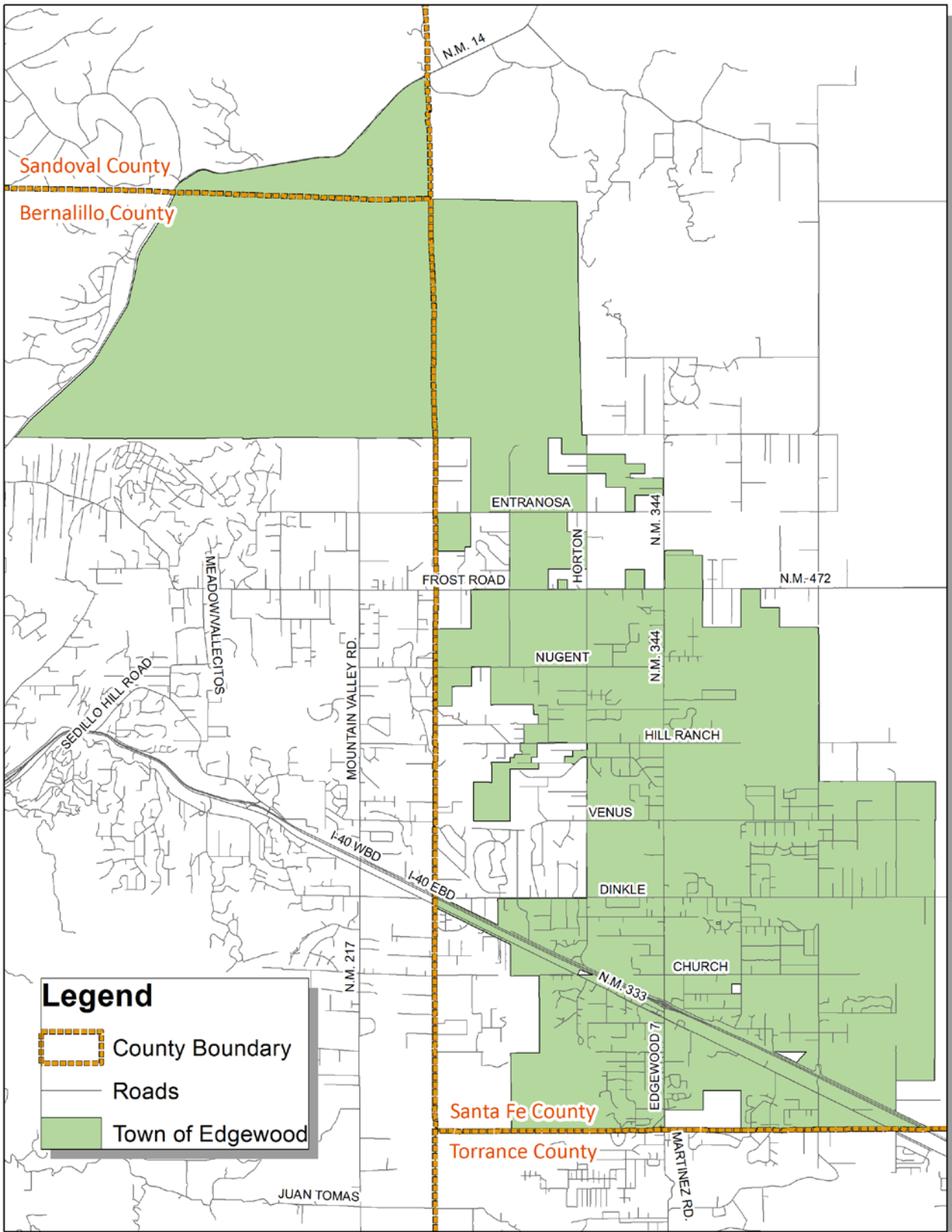
Answered 95
Skipped 337

SECTION 7 | RESPONDENT INFORMATION

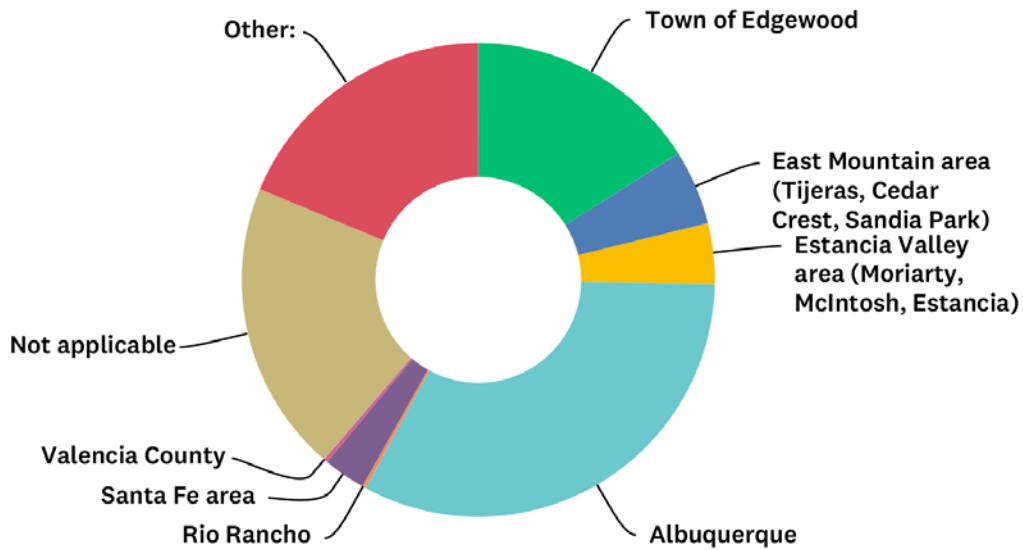
40 | Where do you live? (See map for post-annexation boundary, approved April 2017)



Answer Choices	Responses	
Inside Town of Edgewood limits	65.27%	265
Outside Town of Edgewood limits	34.73%	141
	Answered	406
	Skipped	26



41 | Where do you work?



Answer Choices	Responses	
Town of Edgewood	16.06%	66
East Mountain area (Tijeras, Cedar Crest, Sandia Park)	5.11%	21
Estancia Valley area (Moriarty, McIntosh, Estancia)	4.14%	17
Albuquerque	32.60%	134
Rio Rancho	0.24%	1
Santa Fe area	2.92%	12
Valencia County	0.24%	1
Not applicable	19.95%	82
Other:	18.73%	77
	Answered	411
	Skipped	21

Please see the Appendix for write-in responses.

APPENDIX | QUESTIONNAIRE WRITE-IN RESPONSES

This document contains the write-in responses collected from the Comprehensive Plan Questionnaire. Responses have been loosely grouped by subject matter for easier analysis.

SECTION 1 | QUALITY OF LIFE

Question 7: "What is unique about Edgewood that you would like to see maintained in the next 20 years?"

Amenities/Programming

- To have an actual park for dogs and people.
- Maintain, improve and extend the recreational walking/cycling trails.
- Wild Life West, new charter school, SASS, "old west/ranching character", dog and horse-friendly town
- I feel that a rural character is important, however we do need to introduce more businesses in order to support our tax base. Roads need more maintenance than they are receiving, and young people need additional things to keep them busy and out of trouble. Perhaps a bowling alley or movie theater. I for one would shop exclusively in Edgewood if all things that I needed were available. As it is I do most of my shopping at "home" but there are things that are not available unless you drive to town.
- wild life west, the new charter school, EVCA, rural, ranching character, horse and dog-friendly,
- Ongoing family type activities, parks, friendly neighborhood feeling
- Large lots for stick built homes. Needs huge cleanup effort. Ordinances enforced. Clean fence lines. Parks and trail completed and maintained. Remove weeds. Attention to detail. BMX track is not maintained or accessible to kids. Fire safety issues addressed at all local schools. Over population of rodents addressed. Removal of multiple gravel pits within town limits.
- Wild life park
- Open spaces
- Open Space. I think we have a lot of room to grow and still keep our open space. I love that people have open space around their homes.
- If by "rural Character" it is meant that there should be no change, then my answer to the last should be amended to "strongly disagree." As has been the case since its inception Edgewood lacks focus and, instead, has factions. Other communities, even some as close to us as Santa Rosa, have found their strength and have focused on it, creating an at least perceived atmosphere of community. What are Edgewood's strengths would have been a marvelous question. What do people who live here enjoy about their community and would want to share with others? What could we add that would build on the identified strengths? Edgewood has plenty of land for developing and it once had a dedicated and active group bent on creating a system of trails for bikers, hikers and horseback riders. How many now-popular communities started with not much more than that? A lot of them! Jackson WY has maintained a whole bunch of

rural flair while still becoming a large-scale tourist destination. No we don't have skiing, but Edgewood DOES have the potential to become an "outdoors" mecca. - Embrace popular movements towards small plot farming, protecting resources and active outdoor lifestyles. Make this Edgewood's theme and purpose. -Get the town more involved in festivals along the lines of the Mud Race, Blacksmith Tournaments, Bluegrass Festival, Bean Fiesta, Pumpkin Chunkin', that fit with this kind of strong and strongly stated purpose. -Encourage developers to improve their land and require them to participate in improving the community theme. -Rehab the idea of a hiking, biking and riding trails system to Santa Fe and beyond. - FIX the COMMUNITY CENTER and tennis court - good heavens, we look like no one gives a DARN about our kids! Why not start trails from there? and add a community garden or a fitness walk while we're at it? There is so much that could be done.

- Keep open spaces. Create more open spaces!
- Great schools!!!!
- The community events, they are special and give our town character. Wood stock, beer fest, etc.
- Open spaces, equine friendly
- The fact that we have a soccer field, softball field, trails and other open spaces adds to the town's livability, and should be maintained. We should also hold property owners accountable for maintaining their residences. We have too many residences in town where trash, old non-functional vehicles, and other detritus has accumulated, which can give potential buyers a negative view of our town.
- Edgewood Elementary
- Power privacy. The. Old windmill and ranch house on old 66 and Barton.
- open space and the Edgewood arena
- Open space
- Open space land
- Its rural-ness, yet easy access to the city if needed. We have plenty of restaurant options for a rural community. The town horse arena is an asset for the country life and the resident's enthusiasm for their interests. Wildlife West continues to be a major unique resident and definitely do their part to nurture the rural way of life. The soccer field pavilion and the trails in the area make for wonderful gathering places for a variety of people.
- Strong sense of community, friendly small town atmosphere and access to good school system to draw more families to the area.
- Wildlife west
- I think to keep a rural integrity while still implementing progress and commercial protected areas like the Y camp should be preserved and made more accessible for family hiking and recreation. More parks and a pool should be built so that families have positive and safe places to enjoy.
- Areas of natural leisure (like the YMCA camp and hiking trails)
- Open space

- I would like Edgewood to be able to maintain a rural feel while also offering family activities to attract and keep families out here.
- Wildlife West, the unique ruralness
- Wide open spaces but with modern conveniences.
- Love the trails.
- Space, lack of traffic maintained. Would like a town center.
- The few parks we do have and the great schools we have out here.
- Community open space for hiking and horseback riding.
- The community events that have started to occur over the last several years. Bringing the community together. Woof stock, brews on the bachelor, Christmas tree lighting, and other such events.
- I would like the small community events at the soccer field to be maintained and continued.
- I have only been in Edgewood for a short time but my parents have lived here for almost 15 years. I LOVE the small town community vibe and the options that are given to us for entertainment. I love that there are things that are free that we can attend as well as the community events supporting the community!
- I love the sense of community, the friendly atmosphere, and the beautiful place where we live. But we can maintain that by adding some more amenities, restaurants, and options to rent small offices that don't cost \$1000 a month!
- Dedicated Trails/ walking paths along hwy 344, Frost Rd & hwy 472
- Open space
- Small town feel but the conveniences of a town. I love that there are community activities that are family friendly and occur fairly regularly.
- The small town feel, and the increasing number of activities that get the community involved.
- Movie theater, large park with a playground.
- open space / farming at Bassets, Continue collaboration with SF County
- No "affordable " housing. No public swimming pool.
- It is a culturally rich rural agricultural based community which needs to be incorporated into growth plans and projects. It also needs to be focused on development and improvements related to creating the Town of Edgewood as a rural recreational destination.
- The community feeling. Things like tractor parades, roadside vendors for ammo and corn, cowboy days, etc. Please keep! The demographics (it's a bit more like Texas).
- EVCA City sponsored events Christian based events Country atmosphere
- I do like the small town feel, the library, and the open space.
- Our open spaces are unique and I feel they need to be preserved.
- Open spaces, walking paths, trails, EVCA Edgewood's First High School, First Choice, Bee Hive, shopping, outdoor living in a commuting and telecommuting community, town activities, wildlife West,
- Large horse ownership need trails and activities. Also needed for walking exercise. Strong participation in youth soccer.

- Corruption-free government. Community and people-friendly police officers. Outstanding emergency services.
- I have only lived here two years and so I don't have a comprehensive understanding of what needs to be maintained. Well, one thing I would like to see strengthened is a 24 hour emergency health clinic. We are not far from Albuquerque but I would feel safer knowing we had this.
- I think Edgewood needs more outdoor recreation areas that are regularly maintained. In the next 20 years, I would like to see more modern playgrounds, maintained and easy to find hiking trails (with bathrooms), and even longer paved trails.

Business

- rural combined with growth, business growth we need more businesses here, we need the town to promote business here
- I can't really say there is anything in particular. I was enjoying the new shops that opened, but then they all closed.
- Small business that are locally owned. Various home styles and lots of open space.
- We like the rural feel, but want businesses to be in town so we don't need to go to Albuquerque to spend our dollars.
- Promote small Business, Edgewood chamber needs to continue building this along w/ zoning department
- Keep the Town with NO bars, nightclubs, liquor stores, etc. ever. I would like our Town to remain totally "family friendly".
- The mix of small town living and convenience of having a good mix of shops, etc., is one of the things that we love.
- Simplicity, friendliness, small businesses
- View of night skies, open spaces, walkable neighborhoods and commercial areas and minimal traffic congestion.
- maintain the views and the rural feel. we don't need chain stores, we need strong local business.
- It may be a bedroom community for Albuquerque but I like feeling I'm in the country. We do need more full time employment ... with benefits.
- Stay rural as much as possible. Although I appreciate and shop at Tractor Supply, Smiths, Walgreens, and only when absolutely necessary Walmart I am concerned the continuous buildup of chains will make Edgewood the Albuquerque burbs. We have fun and unique places like Wild West, Chile Hills, Pizza Barn, Katrinas, and loving Church Street Market.

Community

- Its commitment to culture and community.
- Closeness of the community
- The small town community feeling and frequent local festivals and town events should definitely continue!
- The simplicity of it and the neighborliness.

- Friendly people
- Feeling of caring, a community that cares for each other
- I love the close knit, community feeling of Edgewood. You do not feel like a stranger here and I believe that is a large part of its charm
- The sense of community
- Friendly atmosphere
- Friendly and welcoming community
- That small town feel
- Close knit community, friendly people
- Very Friendly. I would like it to stay this way.
- Friendly people
- Strong sense of community...the citizens are involved to a large extent.
- The rural feeling, which we need to keep. "The Code of the West" makes us very nice, friendly!
- Sense of community, rural nature, slower pace.
- Country style living! The traditional activities.
- Small town minded that people in this community will help each other out.
- friendliness, accessibility

Infrastructure

- I like the gravel roads
- Large lots Good infrastructure and fire/law enforcement
- Roads
- Edgewood is finally starting to progress towards the future. Unpaved roads very close to the center of town (Church St.) is not a way to convince people to move here.
- Maintain and add sidewalks.
- No forced hook up to sewer, keep septic systems that are working

Other

- Good question. Nothing "unique" that I have seen in the 25 years I have lived here. Just another small town struggling to stay alive in a floundering economy. If the elusive uniqueness could be found, perhaps something like a feeling of community could be found in this sea of diverse opinions and attitudes.
- Nice people
- The friendliness
- Conservatism. I don't want to see it turn into Albuquerque.
- they are not in a hurry to become a metropolis
- Nothing
- nothing is unique about Edgewood.
- Hire an assistant for Animal Control that can be there when officers are out.
- Mayor Bassett
- More ATV access.

- Can't think of anything, since it's so backwards and not progressive.
- No more tax increases!
- I would like to see a reduction in the exorbitant sales tax rate. Barring that no increases!
- I've lived here for 3 years, and I can't think of anything that's unique about Edgewood.
- Nothing
- Edgewood is, in my opinion, a good and affordable alternative to living within city limits/in an urban setting, while remaining a convenient hub for forays out to other attractions within reasonable distances from town.
- Sorry my family has only been here approximately 1 year so commenting would not be fair
- I have lived here for 25 years and it's nice that all the businesses have come here but the residents that have lived here for a long time like it just the way it is for the most part. New regulations should not be put on existing residents if you want new regulations put them on new developments for instance if my septic system is maintained and not causing any issues then don't make me hook up to the sewer and if I like to collect things that I believe are valuable and not causing any harm then leave me alone I pay taxes and have pride in where I live and don't want to be bothered when I've always lived in this area and never had issues until someone decides they want to make this area different than it's always been. There is one issue I would like some new regulation and that is broken down and unlivable mobile homes that have been abandoned and are literally falling down should be given a time limit on removing them.

Rural/Small Town Feel

- Rural country side. Sun flowers along the roads!!! Limited business lights at night. Great night sky views!!!
- Natural beauty of high desert
- Small community feel
- Cleanliness and Rural nature
- a rural environment
- It's a small town even though more people seem to be making their way out here. I think that in and of itself it's unique.
- Keep it country
- Keep rural natural setting. No dense housing or overdeveloped infrastructure. Protect night sky & East & west sky lines. Prohibit polluting companies.
- I moved to Edgewood 18 yrs. ago. There have been a lot of changes. I love the open air and space. Would love to see all of Horton paved. There is so much traffic and people drive so fast creating ruts. I would NOT like to see apartment complexes or big business. I think what we have right now is just perfect. If I need anything that the town does not provide, I am willing to go to Albuquerque to get it in lieu of expansion or growth.
- Keep properties limited to single family housing. Keep larger acreage - keep subdivisions to a minimum.
- I like the country feel. It's nice to be close to Albuquerque but not live in the big city.

- Ability to have a large lot, one acre or more, with great views and dark skies. Good access to main feeder roads and walking trails.
- Country feel, grow intelligently
- Large acreage available for sale
- Liberty. Little to no government intervention in my life. Space. Large lots, large open land areas, little concrete and asphalt.
- The rural, small town feel!
- people walking around the Smith's wearing spurs
- Most houses have actual yards.
- The small town country atmosphere
- Small town where we run into people we know everywhere we go. And know local business owners and service providers
- Small town feel with almost all the necessities for life, the activities hosted by the town and local businesses.
- I love the small town feel but I think striving to be better is always good. I love the small town events to bring the community together are good and would like to see more of them.
- Love the small town feel and the ability to live in rural setting so close to ABQ.
- Edgewood is a semi-rural area but has plenty of conveniences.
- The rural atmosphere
- The small town feel of Edgewood. I don't want to see it turned into a suburb of Albuquerque that brings crime, more street lights, and a bigger city feel.
- Small community
- Farm & mountain lifestyle
- Very small and rural community
- I would love for Edgewood to keep its small town feel.
- Smaller scale community. No bustling city presence.
- The small town vibe not getting too big. Lived here 18 years and have seen lots of changes, some positive some questionable.
- We need to hold on to our small Town feel. Hold our own community functions, parades, and holiday gatherings. Find people that are willing to work with others of all ages in the community on various arts or hobbies that could meet in the community center. Limit housing. We don't need mega apartment complexes. Keep it small.
- The rural, small town feel. It can grow and still accomplish this with the right planning team in place
- Continue to require properties to be 1 acre or more. Allow growth and foster community togetherness.
- It's beautiful setting
- Larger lots for residential homes
- I like the rural character and I like having lots of open space. Please, please, please, please do not sell off or develop Campbell Ranch, or put a water pipeline in there, or do anything that will ruin the water situation here in the East Mountains. There are not enough buyers for the subdivisions that are already being built. Don't build more!

- The small town character, I love going to the store and everyone knows my name.
- Open Spaces, Large lots for homes.
- Large, open, natural spaces. Dark skies.
- The rural environment that is hiking and equine friendly.
- Keep it small
- The open spaces, large home lots, and welcoming community.
- It's peace and serenity. I don't want Edgewood to get so big that it almost connects with Albuquerque. I moved out here for that specific reason. To stay RURAL!
- Proximity to Albuquerque but RURAL-NESS! Some type of moratorium on growth?
- Low density, concentrate development near interstate
- Dark Night sky viewing, rural equestrian flavor, mountain views, small town neighborliness
- Night sky
- The fact that it is a rural community. Would hate to see it become a bedroom community like Rio Rancho.
- It's beautiful, with the natural scenery. I love that were not on top of each other. And we have no real housing development.
- Easy access to the Interstate, low crime rates, quiet lifestyle.
- No neon. Small town feel.
- Rural feel.
- The rural atmosphere.
- Small town feeling
- 1 acre or more properties.
- Friendly, small town feel. Privacy.
- It has a small town atmosphere where everyone knows your name.
- The rural atmosphere
- The quiet, peaceful, country feel of the town.
- Small town presence, and lots of space with animals
- Small town feel
- The feeling of not living in Abq. Living by the mountains, access to trails and outdoors.
- Open spaces.
- The small, rural essence of the town. If I had wanted to live in the city, I'd have moved to Albuquerque!
- It's "Mayberry" small town feel
- Community oriented/ small town feel
- Rural lifestyle
- Affordable Housing, open space, fewer rules and restrictions, lass government.
- Rural atmosphere with family orientation
- Small town environment. It doesn't need to be an extension of Albuquerque. That's why we all live out here. Unfortunately certain town council members think it should grow, probably for monetary reasons and not putting the community first. It seems like a lot of close door meetings so they get their way. Just like my property, and my

neighbors being illegally pulled into the Annex! They can't even produce the minutes in the meeting that supposedly took place!

- openness & spacious living, slower pace
- no smaller than one-acre lots for most developments, preferable two acre lots and some larger lots; community events that bring people together,
- I think rural character is hard to define - if it means keeping it free from heavy commercialization then I say strive to keep buildings small, integrated and not a lot of giant signs marring the view.
- small town feeling
- Rural Character
- The dark skies.
- Rural nature, horse friendly
- The peaceful atmosphere should be maintained. I go work in ABQ, and it is nice to come back to a quiet town.
- Small-town feel, but large enough that you can get everything you need.
- Beautiful landscapes and open plains.
- Don't make any subdivisions! Keep properties large.
- Current lot sizes. I am not opposed to development, or commercial use of property, but I don't want Edgewood to become urban in its density.
- Country feeling.
- Open space and trails for equines, gorgeous mountain views, freedom of thought, family values, good schools, low crime rate, respect for individual property rights.
- Country vibe but not hokey, neighborliness, horses, cows, views
- No multiple story businesses so we can keep our views of the surrounding mountains.
- Rural, no 3 story apartments complexes, large family lots free of high rises
- Large home lots, and no tract housing
- Keep large properties
- Need to keep large acreage available for purchase - no more subdivisions!! No more limiting lots to 2 acres. Keep the lots larger. That will keep the rural character even when bringing in more businesses. No one wants to buy a dinky 2 acre lot in a sub D/HOA.
- The small town feel
- Maintain rural, country atmosphere.
- Our Views, small town environment,
- The lack of traffic.
- 2 acre lots; horse properties;
- Country, Farm, Ranch
- Home lots being larger. New development often has several homes per acre. 1 acre tracts as the minimum to help keep space and the rural feeling
- The rural setting.
- Town lighting should remain dark as to not spoil the night time star gazing. Edgewood should avoid high density housing as seen in Albuquerque west side. Stay rural!

- Small community feel
- Small town feeling -- seeing people you know when you run your errands.
- The character and charm of a rural community that embodies new opportunities that enhance the area.
- The closeness to ABQ with still feeling rural.
- the size and community- Don't want to see it grow into something unaffordable and/or large
- Wildlife West Nature Park, (mostly) dark skies, large lots,
- rural character: open space, pasture, fields, livestock, no smog, very little traffic, wildflowers, wildlife, no super tall buildings, panoramic views, small town feel and small town events, approachable mayor, city council, police, fire etc.
- The open spaces and rural feel. That being said, there are many homes just off I- 40 and 344 that look awful with garbage/ junk everywhere. I wished we had some kind of enforcement for keeping our properties neat.
- The peace and quiet at night, friendly small-town social atmosphere, focus on sustainable living
- Equestrian access to things. Pro-Equestrian stores, vets, rural "Backyard Barnyard" ability that allows more local food & individual sustainability. Township to support Rural Sustainability Festivals. Lack of Bars but support family cafe approach with liquor licenses, would be good! Need much more Township support of a "Cowboy" culture & events or celebrations that support local shopping & entertainment. Need a movie Theater. Our identify is SW Country/Cowboy- that is our identity! Develop us as the I-40 entrance to Santa Fe / Taos / Angel Fire / All Northern New Mexico.
- I like that it is rural. I do believe that there should be a better look to Edgewood. It is too shabby looking, very run down.
- The mountain town/resort (kind of) feel. I'd like this enhanced.
- keep the new building size lots LARGE! preferably 2 acres plus
- Night skies. Commercial lighting that is not upward, enforcement of same. For residential, something similar (required of new development areas, and implemented into existing HOA's?) to maintain our beautiful night skies.
- The small town feel of country living.
- It's small town feel.
- Rural, low density
- Open space, dirt roads, dark skies
- Low light pollution, good traffic flow
- Open spaces and cow pastures in the middle of town.
- The nostalgic presence.
- It still has a "country" feel and mostly dark skies.
- While the light pollution from Edgewood lights as well as the spill over from Albuquerque, Moriarty and Santa Fe is currently not so severe that the Milky Way cannot be seen I have witnessed degradation of the darkness over the past decade. Every effort should be made to enforce New Mexico dark sky ordinances so that growth

within Edgewood does not continue to erode the sky quality. I also consider the dark night skies as part of the rural character of Edgewood.

- Small town, friendly people
- I love the small town feel. It doesn't look like a concrete jungle
- Not a big town feel but everything is available. Not a lot of noise or light pollution.
- Open spaces Agricultural heritage.
- Dark skies. The darker the better.
- Wide open spaces, dark night sky, large residential lots - no high density.
- Open Space
- Edgewood has a quasi-rural nature. No explosive growth or growing trends like we saw in Rio Rancho. No huge subdivisions or planned communities. That, is attractive. And no strong city lighting that destroys the view of the night sky.
- Rural nature
- Night skies and vistas.
- Larger housing lots sizes, rural setting
- larger than average right of ways, open feel, large lots
- 1) Open Space 2)Reduce light pollution
- The rural aspect of the community. This need for growth and all the amenities of ABQ is not path forward. We need a good park for the kids, a pool, and we would have what we need. Beyond that we are trying to make it a city, which it is not.
- Dark Night Skies Equestrian friendly
- I always want to live in the "country"
- Close enough to ABQ to commute to work and do major shopping, but keep it rural and not over populated. We enjoy getting away from the big city and don't want to come home to it as well. Keep tax rates from rising substantially due to extreme growth.
- Rural atmosphere
- The rural nature is nice
- Keeping it small. Making lots size larger than an acre to spread people out and keep this community small.
- small town/ rural feeling
- Small town atmosphere
- Open space, rural environment
- Things need to be updated and carry the class of rural. We don't need to look like rednecks. A theme is in order
- Lower density of housing. Much open space. Animals welcome.
- I like seeing the houses at least 2 1/2 acres apart.
- It's small town feel. It's close enough to the city, but love to come home to the country.
- Rural character which I believe we have lost
- Denizens of Edgewood tend to own and ride horses. This tendency, especially with owners having large-acreage tracts would benefit the town.
- Quiet. Night skies visible, wildlife stress free driving small town ambience
- "Small-town" friendly atmosphere

- Dark skies. Slower paced than, for example, Albuquerque's west side. Roads uncluttered by traffic.
- Animal friendly. Livestock and companion animals. Leave Edgewood a community of choices.
- The rural atmosphere is what I like most about Edgewood.
- The rural character - NO APARTMENTS - NO CONDOS - NO HIGH RISERS - maximum two level homes -
- Rural area. Mobile homes should be restricted to designated areas and folks should be penalized if they trash their property....that goes for all home/ property owners. Or rewarded if they maintain a very nice curb appeal.....which probably would be the smarter approach.
- rural character, strong, dedicated leadership with its emphasis on the Town instead of external business interests and their potential for profit
- This is not a big city, let people be, stop with all the new regulations on people who have lived her for a long time if you want new regs put them on new developments the people who have lived here for many years are happy with most everything the way it's always been, that is, if my septic is good don't make me hook up to a sewer, if I want to collect things that I think are valuable but others don't that's my business if it's not hurting anyone, if my taxes are paid then basically leave me alone.
- Larger lots for housing areas. Ability to keep horses, llamas, etc. Assure that residential areas are kept strictly residential and not allow business zoning to encroach just anywhere.
- I moved to Edgewood over 30 years ago to live rurally and unfortunately things have changed. I would like to see the laid back, country way of life maintained.
- rural feel, lower population
- Rural Character
- Small town feel.
- rural character
- Quiet, less crowded. Don't like our growth.
- Closeness to Albuquerque without being in the city.
- Rural setting
- The rural and openness of the area. Friendliness of those here
- The openness, Home sites are at least 2 acres and gives people the feeling of privacy and is relaxing.
- Solitude. Don't grow into another Albuquerque.
- The rural nature with open areas

Safety

- Safety
- It is a small, well-kept community that is not run down. We feel safe here.
- Growing up here, I was able to wander and play without worry. It was safe. The people were friendly. A lot of space to explore
- Small town feel. Safety

- Parks, the views, the library. Some open space. Friendliness of people, safety.
- The low crime rate and the generally quiet atmosphere.
- “Rural character”, animals, open spaces, safety
- It's safer and easier to live here, it's proximity to the Albuquerque area and its amenities.
- The safe and rural atmosphere
- It's a small town where people know each other, away from the city and all its problems. I like living here because I feel safe, there isn't much traffic, the stars are bright at night, and occasionally I see horses tied up in front of Walmart!
- less crime than Albuquerque, quiet lifestyle
- Edgewood feels safe. It is neighborly and generally down to earth.

SECTION 1 | QUALITY OF LIFE

General Comments (optional)

Amenities/Programming

- There is little to no "rural character" left to keep in Edgewood. We are mainly a suburban bedroom community, with the majority of the population commuting to Albuquerque, Santa Fe, Moriarty, or Estancia for work. There is a noticeable absence of entertainment and/ or recreational places for teens and adults here. Where is the indoor swimming pool we were promised was "in the works" almost 20 years ago for section 16? Was supposed to be a combined city/county/School district endeavor with paid public access to offset costs and maintenance. This could help with some of the entertainment problems. We were getting a movie complex till the market crashed in 2008 and they went belly up. A bowling alley would be fun, but they are hard to keep in business these days, I hear. A lack of housing affordable for young families does not help. Apartments, or even duplexes and four-plexes, zoned to keep the house owners happy and spread out to keep crime down, would help encourage more youth to stay in the town; but they need JOBS to do that.
- We need more options. Whether it's activities for young children (toddlers, up to teens. The schools are rated low, and I feel like many of the kids are out getting into trouble. Not something I want to raise my own young children in, but would love to see/be a part of a positive change!
- Stop focus on equestrian not everyone enjoys riding horses. Make a dirt bike area in the BLM area. Fix the "mountain bike park" otherwise known as pile of dirt.
- Bringing in a YMCA would be a nice for recreational activities.
- I would love to see more options for children and teens to do. I have both age groups and the fun thing for my teen to do is go "hang out" at Walmart. It would be nice to have more activities for them to do.
- Need an actual park for kids. Slides, swings, etc. And a public pool.
- For family's with kids and teens, all of us in General a movie theater and a large grass park with trees.
- City pool/splashpad. Bike paths, bike lanes. City Park. No big box stores, keep the local merchants healthy.
- Please, Edgewood and area residents need a community splash pad and/or pool. I was astounded when we moved to the area and realized that there isn't a single public place to play in the water anywhere outside of ABQ.
- I would like to see a more central "town square" area, that could give Edgewood the feeling of a town.
- I'd sure like to see our money spent elsewhere. I know I would NEVER use those lands for equestrian horsing or hiking. That is not me. But I do strongly believe something should be offered for the kids of our community.
- Places like Edgewood are disappearing. The beauty of open land, night skies and small time values. I would love to keep the town small yet it is hard for we need more

activities and services that keep us here and not driving to Albuquerque. Big community center for classes, exercise for young and old. A place to rent for clubs and business

- Need more sidewalks. Would like to see a Bowling Alley and or Movie theater.
- A good community center, a YMCA would be so good. Would pay extra taxes for it.
- Would just like something's for my kids to be able to do as they grow up. Be it mini golf, bowling alley, movie theater something is need for our kids to have simple jobs and entertainment. Just an opinion
- Keep promoting artistic areas and new innovative green farming particularly plant based organic. Keep making green space available for wildlife and natural hiking experiences. Keep making family friendly play areas like pools, manmade reservoirs and splash parks. Thank you.
- Add Recreation center with pool and classes for all ages, such as fitness, dance, stretching, yoga, etc
- We need an updated community center, like Vista Grande with a swimming pool, or splash pad for the kids. We need a nice park with trees, a walking path, and a playground.
- I feel it is ridiculous that I have to drive 30 min to ABQ just to take my kids to a nice park and decent activities I would prefer to spend my time and money and Edgewood.
- more trails for walking, bikes and horses. less cars.
- I would not like to see more big box stores. I'd like to see better medical care in the area; hopefully, we'll get with the new First Choice expansion.
- I like that I can get most things I need here, although I commute to work in ABQ and have the opportunity to shop almost daily. I think there are enough things for adults to do if you are interested in a quiet lifestyle. Can go to ABQ or Santa Fe for shows, sports and movies. Although I would like a movie theater closer by.
- Need a big dog park, one section for leashed and another for unleashed dogs
- It would be great if there were more recreational things to do including a real and nice playground and a community swimming pool. The pools in ABQ don't open till 6, and it would be much more convenient to come back to Edgewood and go to a pool at 6 rather than come home at 8 just to use an ABQ pool.
- I would like to see a hospital or larger medical clinic.
- I would be willing to coordinate an Edgewood Chili Cook off complete with vendors and entertainment. I coordinated them in California. It could be an annual fundraising event. [personal email removed]
- Would love to see more options for kids. Swimming pool, more open space access. More variety for retail. Walmart only has so much and variety is good. Better access to better quality drinking water if not on a proven well.
- I would love to see something like a pool or comprehensive community center for kids and adults alike in Edgewood.
- Teens need more activities available geared towards their ages. Community center with indoor basketball courts, running track, etc. Indoor sports facilities for year round sports and exercise for teens, young adults. Too cold in winter for outside activities.

- A swimming pool or aquatic center would be a wonderful addition for the East Mountain Community.
- Childcare seems to be a struggle for most people out here and would like to see more options displayed either on the website or Facebook page.
- A theater, maybe bowling alley, and some other dining options, would be great job initiative for not only teens and local people, but would also give residents things to do, instead of having to go to Albuquerque.
- I only wish high speed Internet were much more available. Century link is a joke and even in developed neighborhoods they usually fail to provide decent service.
- Children really need more things to do...a maintained park with things for both younger and older kids.
- I feel we need to work on the appearance of the town from all four directions and maintain the landscape more consistently, especially areas between businesses and road on RTE 66. Also capitalize on the town's access to outdoor activity opportunities, such as more walking/jogging trails. An indoor/outdoor swimming pool would be a great addition to the community and offer activities throughout the year for all ages.
- See above comments plus we need a quality downtown with nice shops and GOOD restaurants. We also need a brand that people would want to stop as they travel through and a consistent look to our retail buildings. It would be great to have a community work out facility with a swimming pool. I would pay to join this type of facility.
- We need a town plaza area. I was saddened to hear that SMITH'S gas station replaced the old Historic school bldg. We should develop a historic looking plaza area to hold free concerts, Holiday activities, etc. to establish a feeling of community.
- ATVs use is a growing entertainment. Edgewood should be more ATV friendly.
- Would like to have a swimming pool with times for health exercises and a separate time for general swimming.
- Businesses should be expected to have good signage. Get rid of the trashed van that sells junk in front of Mr. Gas. Build a big playground for the kids, with SHADE. Build an outdoor pool for the community, with kids swimming lessons.
- We need a town square for get togethers. Christmas lights, weddings and family gatherings.
- Since young people are leaving the area for jobs in cities, the tax base is older and elderly. We need: a heated swimming pool to be able to stay here and pay taxes. We also need transportation to our Specialists in Albuquerque, since we can do without a General Practitioner. We also need access to the internet to stay in touch with our families.
- A community center with a POOL would be so beneficial for our entire community. I really want our children to have a place to gather with children from our community in sports and activities. As things are, we have to leave town to do these things, and that is so much time spent driving and time our children are investing in new friendships, but the feeling of community could be so much stronger if we were staying here in our hometown to do these things. I love living here but I really don't like that for sports and

music lessons and SWIMMING we have to leave town and put so many miles on our car and log so many hours traveling. I am so confused why we don't already have one?

- Fiber (Internet) could be vastly improved and water quality. However the town should not take on utility duties.
- Edgewood is a great place to live, we need to maintain what is good about it while we strive to add more of the amenities that make us leave to go to Albuquerque.
- We need a POOL!
- an updated community center would be nice
- *maybe a tax break for building owners who upgrade/update their buildings.
*Maintain the 344 trail. *develop a master plan for the city beyond the municipal space. For example a gravel pit business in the middle of the main road is ugly and unlikely to attract people looking for a cute small town.
- Please add facilities for families and children. A pool or splash pad, decent park with bathrooms. More paved roads would be fantastic. Horton is paved past the zoo, then not paved, then paved again. So many dirt roads if you want growth that's one place to start.
- We need a community center with a swimming pool!
- I would love to see more local businesses offering jobs for teens and more recreational activities for teens. A movie theater would be nice.
- We need a swimming pool
- If there is one thing I think we need more than anything else, it is a POOL. A group of us moms drive our kids down into Albuquerque everyday throughout the summer to do swim lessons and learn swimming skills. We'd much rather have the pool be here. Plus there are a lot of aging folks here where gentle exercises like swimming are essential. If it had plenty of lanes plus a side that was an indoor waterpark like they have on the Westside or in Rio Rancho that would be fun for teenagers too! There are plenty of teenagers here to lifeguard.
- Edgewood really needs more activities for our youth. We cannot rely on the schools and we shouldn't have to drive to Albuquerque. A cohesive youth program including sports and the arts & SWIMMING POOL would be a great addition to Edgewood.
- The Edgewood board use to say, this is a horse friendly neighborhood. Far from the truth. 344 was supposed to have one side as a horse trail so they blacktopped one side and concreted the other. Horse friendly? No
- Other opportunities for Edgewood citizens should include educational and outdoor opportunities. Using library facilities is important, as well as outdoor acreage tracts (Sections 34, 32, and 16)
- Would love a community pool or even a pool club to pay for. Open to everyone.
- Wants kids and teens program and swimming pool
- We need an Applebee's!
- Would really like a nice community center for all ages. Small movie theater maybe?
- We need resources...restaurants...movie theatre, Swimming pool
- Like any growing community we need industry to survive. We have a great industrial corridor on 344. We don't need big factories but solid businesses to provide jobs and a

tax base. Home Depot, Lowes or Menards would be great to have. It would bring in people from as far away as Santa Rosa to shop. This would increase the town's revenue. A 24 hour Urgent Care Facility is also needed.

- we need to grow in many areas but need to keep our rural feeling BUT #1 we need growth of facilities and resources.

Business

- The city council and administration in Edgewood have done a wonderful job making improvements however we are at a point where we either need to allow expansion for a more robust tax base, or keep our town small. I vote for more business and the ability to shop more in Edgewood, and less in town. Most of my neighbors are in agreement and most of us have been here well over 20 years.
- Would be great to have more non fast food dining options
- More recreational activities for young people, and more restaurants (not fast food) would be great.
- Wish there were more good places (besides fast food) to eat in the East Mountains
- Adopt a smart growth plan that adds to our business base without causing overdevelopment.
- Small businesses have closed because overhead too high for them. Would like to see healthier food options.
- More restaurants is essential.
- Lift the Sunday alcohol sales ban.
- Edgewood could really use more restaurants and less light pollution.
- I would like to see a less intrusive governing style by the mayor and council, and a more business friendly environment.
- We just moved to Edgewood, and do not know all that is available in town. To keep the town growing, it is important to bring in more businesses. We would like to see an AMC theater so we don't need to leave town to see movies.
- Allow liquor sales on Sundays. Figure out a way to enforce a barking dog ordinance. Prohibit the discharge of firearms within town limits.
- I like the small town feel and would like to keep it. However, I'd like it to be paired with more commercial activity to grow our GRT
- Some of that quality of stores being brought in are a joke (Denny's) for one. There is no reason we can't draw quality. Too much is given in taxes with very little to show for it. Where is our money going?
- I would like to see small businesses by locals residents promoted, but no more commercial chains! Albuquerque is close enough if we want big things. Keep Edgewood rural!
- Promote and endorse more local businesses. What I would LOVE to see is more semi outdoor places like a coffee shop with outdoor seating. So sad about the bakery closing down, they were awesome. Sadly they were in a bad location. It would behoove the city to encourage and even help with strategic staggering of places like this. Walking from one place to the next is impossible for shopping at Edgewood. Church Street to

Hug a Horse to... well you get the point. And where is the library now? In the center of town so it is easy for people to browse nearby shops, meet and greet Neighbors? Yeah... you get the idea. OH and something VERY important. Newly paved roads MUST have wide enough shoulders for bicycle traffic. Williams Ranch is VERY dangerous for walking and bicycle traffic, which is a shame because it is a beautiful place to walk.

- Would like to see a major restaurant with a bar (Applebee's, Chile's)

Blight

- Mow the sides of the streets!
- We are seeing more crime and illegal dumping in our neighborhood
- Would like the dirt roads paved and get rid of the run down abandoned Mobil homes that are never going to be lived in

Government

- I was annexed into the TOE after I was told I would not be and frankly I didn't WANT to be as many others I know did not but here comes government doing what they want when they want, what a sad thing to see for this beautiful community. Progressivism at it's finest :(
- Edgewood Government has become less transparent and not being in best interests of Citizens. Seems they want to spend, spend on growth, expand the government and use it to fill their own pockets. Have gone to meetings and it's not a rural town environment.

Infrastructure

- Pretty useless survey. General questions lead me to believe there is no current vision. Roads need much attention. Start with 344 and work with the county and state.
- I am concerned with the very limited access to marketing tools such as a viable newspaper.
- Given the number of residences on and adjacent to Square H Road (as opposed to Hill Ranch Road, which has been paved), paving Square H should be a priority. This will increase the property value of that area, increase tax revenue, and cut down on money spent to obtain this road (which in my opinion should be done every two weeks to maintain it properly).
- Please pave church street between Williams ranch and quail trail. Would like to see more restaurants.
- Pave the roads. Eliminate HOA'S
- Pave roads and put sewage system in
- More main roads need paving like Square H - the dust/dirt kicked up by vehicles is apocalyptic. Also, more things for kids of all ages are needed. An indoor pool perhaps. A good park like those in ABQ - not the used and falling apart junk over at the old Edgewood Elem school. Or that creepy place near the senior center. Loosen up on the zoning restrictions and stop subdividing lots and allowing HOAs.

- Though eminent domain may be a useful tool for road widening and road creation; it is not rural/neighborly nor conducive to successful economic/entrepreneurial success if the governing body makes decisions to take that for their advantage.
- But, with paved roads. As more and more cars run around the dust they create is a big nuisance. Most large cities have similar areas but the roads are paved in the ones I've seen, such as Oklahoma City.
- Have you not heard of asphalt? Pave the roads, guys!
- I heard that they might put in another Freeway exit/entrance. I strongly disagree. It is not needed and would only bring crime to our town.
- Water is a scarce commodity here in the high desert and any future community planning needs to take into consideration our dependence on what water is available. Plan with the needs of the current citizens before planning on expanding and using up our valuable water rights. Large master planned communities don't have any right to build out here! Plan for better infrastructure and enhancing the lives of the current populace. Plan to draw in companies that create local jobs that pay a livable wage with benefits and can sustain the citizenry. Provide educational opportunities here in the Edgewood for young adults and those older adults who want to go back to school to learn a new skill or trade. Plan carefully, taking into consideration what our fragile ecosystem and water table can support.
- I would like to see more commercial growth and public infrastructure added.
- pave roads, be its own school district
- Should probably focus on paving incorporated roads
- I think Edgewood needs a theme to develop around, like old west, in order to have a character to be known for. Start with a civic plaza, do the architecture old timey, and go from there.
- The town Planning and Zoning Dept. is doing a terrible job of establishing a town theme and consistent construction requirements and ordinances

Jobs

- Edgewood needs more restaurants and hotels, jobs for young families, affordable housing for those who want the Edgewood quality of life but and better water.
- Need to bring more jobs and new ideas to make it a better place to live.
- There's not enough higher level work opportunity, but I think that's expected in a rural area. If Edgewood is EXACTLY like this in 20 years I'll be thrilled!
- I'd like to see some tech businesses in EDGEWOOD i.e. Facebook so that more high paying jobs are available outside Albuquerque on the good side of the mountain.

Low Income Housing

- There is very little for children to do in Edgewood - the parks are subpar. A new park with update equipment - around the soccer complex would be good. Also an indoor pool would be welcomed. Teens have zero to do around here - a 'teen center' where they could gather to play games, snacks, etc. would be great. Adults - nothing again. The town puts a lot of effort into a 'beer fest' - this is a family oriented town - not a biker

fest that needs a beer garden party. The events that are put on are paltry and not well planned. As far as rural character, I know there are those interested in bringing 'multifamily' housing (code for dumpy apartment/town home complexes) - that is highly detrimental to a 'rural' character. So is low income housing. TOE starts building this junk and property values will nose dive and crime will increase. Look at Albuquerque - crime is high around apartment complexes and low income areas. Also, paved roads would be great - look at small towns like Lolita, TX - very rural farm communities with paved roads. Increases property values, keeps health concerns down and just looks nicer.

- Currently this is a dirty town. It continues to increase a population that lives out of RV's, travel trailers, pop tents, and old single wide trailers. This decreases property values, and increases starving children in the school district, and the volume of people at the food bank. This town does not have local jobs to support a family, therefore as a rural town cannot support low income families. It does not have the resources for that population that includes medical and transportation. Increasing the poverty level in this town will increase theft and murders as we have witnessed.
- Lots should be a minimum of one acre. No apartments or low cost housing.

Other

- I think the goat idea was a great idea. To have goats eat down the weeds along the roads and in heavy weeded areas. Would love to have Clean water to drink!
- I don't think that providing more growth for job opportunities and community events would impact the rural atmosphere here. Part of that rural atmosphere is mindset.
- I hate to see the new school on 344.
- Liberalism will destroy the character of Edgewood.
- See above.
- So far I am happy about how Edgewood has grown. We moved here 20 years ago.
- It isn't 1999 anymore. Grow up and become a great community.
- good job
- Thank you to all of our first responders and law enforcement.
- Many of us are chemically sensitive and would like more natural methods of weed control.
- Just moved here
- I love Edgewood. I'm glad to be back
- Better support of the First Responder community
- Every time we have a new mayor and council, the goals of the Town change, without any public input.
- Would like to see the town maintain more of the landscaping.
- Council communication with constituents, whether because of the Administration's failure to keep it informed about important operational topics, or the Administration's willful intent NOT to share important information MUST improve.
- A clear vision for future created by citizens, business owners and young people.
- We moved from Edgewood in 2010 (big mistake) and I have never seen the community that we live in work together to make this area of the Ozarks better for the people that

live here. Because we live by a large lake, tourism is the number one business here. Unfortunately we also pay the higher prices year around for those that come here in the summer. Whether you are a tourist or a citizen - everyone should be treated fairly.

- I love Edgewood its home even when I'm gone.
- I support Edgewood's support of EVCA as a move towards embracing the type of curriculum that it stands for. I would offer caution not to follow the steps of Albuquerque's liberal and unethical infringements on our rights to a rural Christian belief structure. Also I do not support any effort by Edgewood to subsidize by any entity that would create outside influence and control over our day to day living conditions and freedoms.
- Dust is a major problem in my neighborhood that often makes outside activities unpleasant.
- As with any proposed growth to established communities within the Southwestern United States, I am personally skeptical with regards to potential for long-term sustainability. Improvements to infrastructure, employment opportunities, educational opportunities, entertainment, shopping, housing, etc. will always remain challenging as long as water remains scarce.
- Edgewood administration indifferent to the needs of the residents. They are influenced by elite people who have their own interests.
- population has tripled from last Comprehensive Plan, the needs and wants of all those annexed in are not given appropriate importance.
- you need to, lower sales tax rate--I go to other cities to buy anything over \$50 or on line
- Largest horse ownership in tri-county. Edgewood is basically a suburb of Albuquerque for employment.
- Need a reverse 911 or Nixle for Edgewood only.

Rural

- Small town environment. It doesn't need to be an extension of Albuquerque. That's why we all live out here. Unfortunately certain town council members think it should grow, probably for monetary reasons and not putting the community first. It seems like a lot of close door meetings so they get their way. Just like my property, and my neighbors being illegally pulled into the Annexation! They can't even produce the minutes in the meeting that supposedly took place!
- Please don't go out of your way to grow or further develop Edgewood. It is quiet and low traffic.
- Edgewood needs to remain rural.
- Any long-range planning should be conservative, take into account the cost of upgrading any infrastructure and keep the quasi-rural nature of Edgewood. And long-range planning should be ten (10) years, not twenty (20).
- No growth. People moved out there to get away from Abq. It should remain a small and peaceful place to live.
- Our views of South Mountain are awesome

Regulation

- Edgewood does not need to Albuquerque or even Cedar Crest. Leave the residents alone to do as they please as long as they don't harm anyone else. No need for more zoning laws, more government regulations, more government utilities, or anything else!
- Cut the town budget and the number of town employees by 50%
- The town of Edgewood needs to maintain its character and remember its small town friendly values. It seems that they are forgetting many of these by trying to over stretch things like the Police department, take over water departments, without having real plans for it. Must maintain the small town atmosphere. Our police should be in the city, NOT patrolling the interstate.
- the government

Safety

- Crime needs to be deterred. YMCA has proposed a place to set up in Edgewood. Get it. Our people need jobs
- I have lived here for 35 years and I very concerned about the growing crime, and lack of handicapped help. Think we should in best in an indoor pool to help kids and seniors.
- Seems like an uptick in crime happening. Hire more officers? Have 'regular' people patrolling and call in suspicious activity. More neighborhood watches. Maybe classes to help determine what constitutes suspicious activity?
- Wish crime was going down instead of up
- We are already seeing a rise in crime with growth of the town. Maybe a community watch training for interested residents. Also hope to keep Epcor Water as our water provider so the Town of Edgewood can focus on other important issues that need attention and funding.
- People speed a lot on Williams Ranch Rd. Some go way faster (60mph?) than the limit of 30mph. Calling the local police does not make a difference. The two solar speed monitors do not make a difference. Thank you.
- Would like to keep the crime out of the area as much as possible, less littering, clean up of properties that have become an eyesore. Less influence of religion on the politics and local government. Churches should not be able to decide who can get a liquor license by buying all available permits in the area and then sitting on them because they don't approve (there should be a limit on the quantity they can possess or clauses to give them up if not utilized within a certain amount of time). A brewery in the area would be nice and attract people and events. Emphasis on infrastructure (Dinkle Rd. is a mess west of Horton)

Water

- Clean, tasty WATER is the greatest challenge in our future! EMCOR & ENTRANOSA both taste HORRIBLE!
- Sure would be nice to be able to drink the water out of the tap...
- All elected politicians involved in the attempt to take over Epcor using eminent domain should be immediately removed from office.

- Leave the water alone. We taxpayers can't afford the legal battle costs!
- Buy the water system ASAP.
- Do not take over EPCOR water! To try and do so would be foolhardy.
- Not happy about the City trying to buy Epcor. Working with the Attorney General to investigate. Don't care if I have to go to Abq for something once in a while. Don't like Walmart here and don't want another big box store.

SECTION 2 | HOUSING

General Comments (optional)

Amenities/Programming

- As I stated earlier....build a town plaza area with a park centered, small shops/businesses/community oriented to help create a feeling of connection
- Like the parades, and socials at the Soccer field. Need a walking path around the soccer field.

Affordable Housing

- [Question] 9. I do not want to see apartment complexes. However, I am a proponent of allowing residents to build accessory structures on their property, which could be used for rental purposes, and should be permitted under the Town's code. This allows a resident to increase the value of the property, while also providing affordable housing opportunities to those who may need it. 10. Larger lot development, would accommodate rentals of accessory structures, without resulting in urban-like density. 11. Not everybody can live here. Cities are full of accommodations, and those who live in the Country accepts what that means - freedom and self-reliance. Some elderly folks will have to move to town if they don't have other resources, such as family, to assist them.
- We need affordable housing to keep people here. Local jobs for local people would greatly help this situation. If the commute to work in Albuquerque becomes too expensive, the Town will lose residents who will have to move closer to their employment.
- I think residents are hardworking, and many unfortunately have a hard time making ends meet. I believe that more options that is within the median income range is acceptable, but we shouldn't provide more handouts to people. That takes away folks from striving for more or better.
- Again, bringing complexes and low income housing into the community drives property values down and increases crime. I cannot believe that the TOE would even entertain such an option. Keeping the community rural means eliminating/refusing the things that turn it into a city with high crime rate.
- Housing is short all over. Landlords are greedy. On 2009 you could find affordable housing. No more
- We need an area zoned for trailer parks.
- I don't know what we have; but I do see a lot of mobile homes that look like they have low income folks living there. Alternative housing for them would be nice.
- Affordable housing in probably needed, but don't want a "doublewide" type community.
- [Question] #10 as long as there homes not Mobil homes (as in single wife's and only new)
- Question #12 - Affordable housing isn't a priority when people can't afford to drive to Abq and back for work.

- fewer trailers would be nice
- While I agree on [Question] #12, I have had the misfortune of living next door to a person with income issues and she made all of our lives hell. Churches kept her and her meth-using friends going beyond her own means.
- Currently the low income housing is on large lots with run down mobile homes. It would be nice to have more landlord responsibility for the condition of these homes. One of my clients lived in a mobile home that was infested with centipedes and had a gas leak in a stove that caused her to have to open all her windows. This is not acceptable.
- Affordable housing needs to be well zoned and maintained so that "affordable " does not become the equivalent of "slum"
- We need to attract the large homebuilders to come out and build affordable housing.
- We already have affordable housing for low income. More would bring more crime.
- Affordable housing is critical for any community growth and development.
- yes affordable housing but not row after row of apartment complexes; every income level should be able to live here but no congestion
- We are all fixed income...are we not? At least most of us live on a budget. By more affordable housing, do you mean welfare? Then no, I do not think welfare / free housing / projects should be out here.
- low cost and affordable housing will decrease property values and over flow the schools. The class sizes are within the acceptable range and to increase the affordable housing would quickly bring down the quality of education the children are currently receiving.
- Affordable housing must be properly planned in mixed communities and unique developments so that they do not get run down and crime ridden.
- If salaries are going to stay low here, affordable housing should be available.
- Need more multifamily affordable dwellings (not necessarily low income) for those who desire the lifestyle without dealing with maintenance or upkeep. It's expensive to live out here.
- Housing is very affordable now. Some of the trashed out housing areas need to be cleaned up.

Apartments

- Rental housing is not available very often in our area. I think apartment would help with this problem.
- Many people are moving to Edgewood or have moved to Edgewood specifically to get away from the high crime in the city. Apartments, condos, or low income housing will bring this undesirable element to our small community.
- No apartment complexes!
- I'd like to see some apartments or condos or town homes, but not a large apartment complex. Something more like a four plex, small groupings of condos or town homes. This would be helpful for young adults who want to live on their own, but don't want to live in ABQ. It would be nice for families that want their aging parents closer. It might

be nice to have some designated Senior housing, but this all needs to be affordable--not sure how to make these affordable. This would take some creativity.

- I think apartments or town homes are a must in the next 10 years, near shopping and medical care. I would have moved my mother here when she was older but there was nothing affordable for her. Larger lot properties exist - how well are they selling?
- Apartments attract crime and drugs
- Apartment complexes should be not taller than two story, and should consist of block with 20 or fewer units surrounding or incorporated into green spaces. There need to be ordinances and enforcement to make sure they are properly maintained. Affordable housing units should not be isolated and grouped together, but should instead be integrated into regular residential areas.
- Make the apartments NICE, not just transient, young tenants will live there. Need it to be clean & green w/places for outside recreation, walking & handicap walkways, lighting. Code it to keep it clean, calm & neighborly, not a poor, trash environment. Increase our opportunities to drop off trash & RECYCLE. Seek a junk-car tow low-cost call by getting one of the " we buy junk car co." in some sort of MOU with the Township. That way, if the town tags a junk car violation, there is a "free" way to get the violation resolved, & the "we buy a no car co. can give the basic value to a coffee to support things for kids to do. Make it easy to start a Business & advertise a Business. Get some Banners that can be stretched across whatever is our main intersection. We have no main street- BUMMER! Even Moriarty has a Main Street! A town W/O a Main Street isn't a town. Nowhere to Banner our Festivities or have a Parade or such Township activity!
- NO APARTMENTS!

Business

- The rural living feel is what I love. I like not having your neighbors on top of you if you so choose. We need more retail to support more growth.

Blight

- There should really be some strictly enforced laws on abandoned mobile homes, etc. There are a lot of eye sores and areas that need to be bulldozed or hauled off. Let's take pride and provide a beautiful town for residents and visitors.
- we have more than enough dilapidated eyesore trailers.
- Already have low income housing and trashy neighborhoods. Need to make ordinance to clean up the yards
- I agree with more affordable housing WITH strict housing rules completely enforced...NO slums
- Edgewood has a reputation as being a "trailer park" and I would like to see more site built homes
- There is some low income housing areas that have been not well taken care of
- more homes, less trailers and trailer parks, enforce the Code, trash is everywhere. Not a well-kept town.

- We all need to develop pride of belonging to this community and stop littering our own and other properties.
- There should be more restrictions on trailers and the general up-keep of the properties. Most are turning into junk yards

Development

- No new development in the Campbell Ranch corridor.
- Please stop trying to develop the Edgewood area.
- It is inevitable that Edgewood, and all communities in the Nation which are near major highways, and which are near to larger cities with job options, will continue to see growth. As wells continue to dry up, as we continue to see lower than average rainfall, and as we continue to rely on aquifers that are not being actively recharged, we should be circumspect with regards to increased development of any kind.

Government

- The town council has for many years been perceived the same as Moriarty; as having a small group of "elites" (those who might be considered by some to be the founding fathers) who have their thumbs on and inhibit certain types of growth and development in the town. In fact, the current mayoral leadership strikes me as a bit of a conflict of interest and smack of this very suspicious. Seems like nothing has changed much favorably in the town, at least not to benefit the average folks around here.

Infrastructure

- Need to better maintain the toads and drainage
- Take over existing sewer systems first.
- No building new housing areas that would take away water where people have their own pump houses and water system that would take the water away from them
- Sewer hookups for ALL properties, large and small, MUST be considered if growth is to be realized.

Jobs

- In this economy many people are struggling. Plan wisely to provide assistance to the least among us. Many folks didn't intend to be part of the low income bracket, but life can deal some tough hands. Plan to bring in companies that can offer livable wages and benefits to our community members.

Low Income Housing

- Edgewood needs to concentrate on marketing the town as a nice community, not try to bring in low income families, build homes and housing for them while degrading from other residential property value, by increasing crime.
- Low income means different people will come into our community and not respect it like those of us who aren't considered low income.

- Don't import the crime and squalor that ALWAYS accompany low income housing.
- Low income housing generally brings crime along with it.
- Do not want to see low income housing! We moved to Edgewood because it is safe and well kept. Please do not add apartments and low income housing!
- It's not that I completely disagree with low income housing. I just believe Albuquerque has all the resources for someone in that situation. Why live 30 miles from the resources you need?
- A hand full of town homes or 1-2 small apartment complexes would be okay but not a ton. Everyone out here is pretty low income already I would hate to see that grow even more as I feel it would add to our crime problem.
- No more mobile homes in nice areas! I hope Edgewood doesn't turn into Moriarty or Los Lunas
- People on low income housing can still afford rent if the owners would not be greedy with the pricing.
- How will low income families afford the commute to work in Albuquerque
- Edgewood is one of the most affluent towns of its size which is why people of means move here. We don't want to become another Moriarty- low income-welfare community!!!!
- I really wish there was a way to limit the amount of trailers in Edgewood. It just drives down the property value and they become an eye sore after a few years and usually poor maintenance.
- We shouldn't import more problems.
- How do these low income families survive out here in the winter? Usually those families have no transportation or unreliable transportation which then means the residents have a heavy burden to support their needs.
- Low income housing distracts from that mountain/resort feel that most of us love.
- If you put low income housing out here you're asking for trouble. People already don't want to work. Apartments and condos bring problems.
- Avoiding low income as well as apartments will keep Edgewood aesthetically more appealing and draw in people from out of town to move and also participate in community events. I do not want Edgewood to turn into a welfare/ebt community.
- Bringing in low income housing brings in crime. I wish it wasn't so but I lived in the war zone in Albuquerque. That is not what we want for the East Mountains as a whole
- low income housing does not need to be in the country.
- Building affordable housing without having jobs for those low income families will only turn Edgewood into a warehouse for low income people and bring problems we don't need.
- I recognize the need for housing that can meet the needs for lower income families. Do not want high rise apartment complexes or to see a certain area that becomes blocked in for only this type of housing. Like multi use concept in theory. Depends on how thoughtfully and sustainably it is done.
- Edgewood does not need more residents on Welfare nor food stamps

- I believe this general area already has housing for low income families. Some of it is substandard though.
- Edgewood already is made up of low priced homes (manufactured homes, trailers, modular homes) and high priced homes. There is a very small market for mid-priced homes. We do not need more low income residences. We need to keep it rural and look at more mid-range homes for a better tax base.
- If we have a senior care facility we will need a 24 hour Urgent Care Medical provider. We do not have the Tax base to support low income housing. These also tend to attract the less desirable and crime.
- I am conflicted. I don't want to see more houses built, I don't want mobile home parks, I don't want more wells in our already severely dwindling supply. I see so many places that are complete ramshackle. Would they move to an apartment? Would those apartments then become concentrated barrio? Would the ramshackle then be upgraded? (no, it would continue its spiral of decay whether it is the current or new residents. It appears to be poor one must also have complete disregard to the environment, neighbors, or pride in themselves. Yes, they need a place to live. Nice places to live, but damn if I want to contribute tax money towards concentrated barrios.
- Sticking to a one-acre-lot form of development makes no sense unless your main goal is to be a suburb of a larger town. In which case, you never have enough population to attract additional businesses and services. And why would you need them? If you're just a suburb you don't need these things, because you have no problem obtaining them from the larger urban area. If that is Edgewood's mission then why be incorporated at all? Just so a few people can say they were voted to be in charge of a community?
- One of the main reasons for living in Edgewood is its relatively safe environment. low income housing brings crime and transient types.

Lot Size

- I like the idea to have land.
- Edgewood needs more large lots (1 acre plus) but less zoning and HOA restrictions.
- [Question]10. Lots should be 2.5 ac or more.
- Large lots and open areas is what makes Edgewood great. Small lots and apartments etc. are available elsewhere (Abq, Moriarty) Lets stay different and better.
- 2-10+ acres even better for those of us who want room.
- Keep lot sizes larger than an acre to keep Edgewood small.
- I think the housing should stay as is on large lots with homes for families.

Other

- In keeping with the original plans for this rural town. There are hundreds of lots available in this community that still need to be built out to completion. Lack of water will be a major concern as it is today in this desert town. Town needs to look at the population and provide services and events to locals verses marketing to others. A high priority would be increasing knowledge of this community and the local American tax

payer. It has been a retirement community. That is why schools have closed in this area. Certain individuals cannot afford to live in a rural town.

- I love this place 😊
- Preserve natural areas while offering sustainable housing to all families of all groups.
- Housing for the mentally and physically disabled
- All of Edgewood is for low income/fixed income families. No one who has money would live here.
- None
- There's Moriarty. And I don't want to see Edgewood turn into Moriarty. (I work in Moriarty, by the way).
- Need to care for our entire population. We don't want our kids or elderly to leave due to jobs, housing, health care, shopping, recreation.
- Edgewood is lacking in the beautification aspect of our lovely town and it's visual of growth and development

- Do not let commercially zoned areas encroach on existing residential areas. We don't want to become another Rio Rancho.
- Edgewood should not be increasing tax rates! It is a sign it does not know how to manage its money.

Rural

- This is a rural community - a bedroom community to ABQ. Not a slum. If you start throwing up apartment complexes, property values will nosedive and crime will increase. Don't be foolish about this - look at ABQ. The most crime happens around apartment complexes. Edgewood is not a town for "low income". Not every town in America needs to have some liberal agenda attached to it - we need people with money who will spend money locally to boost the local economy. Not attract a slum and turn it into another Moriarty.
- We moved out here to get away from the "big city" feel of Albuquerque and I would like to see that continue. I am not a fan of the idea of apartment buildings, townhomes, small lot housing out here.
- Please do not let Edgewood become a large residential "mini city"!
- I prefer the rural lifestyle.

Regulation

- They were going to build behind our house with 1 acre housing. We were told it would be 2 1/2 acres, plus they have the retaining pond water pipes spewing onto our property. That's a big no. We have already been flooded on our property because of it. Also the water goes into our retaining pond which overflows into our neighbors. More needs to be done so this doesn't happen to anyone else

- Judging by the number of decaying trailers, we have plenty of low income housing. Also people living in RVs and storage sheds. don't we have ordinances against this sort of thing?
- Edgewood is not a "one size fits all" community. There are many town ordinances which are self-contradictory and which discourage positive and affordable development.
- development is fine so long as there are consistent building/development requirements in placed, and ENFORCED

Senior Housing

- we already have senior living here. we don't need section 8, that brings in crime
- Low income senior housing, we promote the bee hive and there not low income senior housing they are for profit only
- In terms of assisted living, the elderly population continues to grow. People that are going to require assisted living, but do not want to give up their way of life will need a place to go. The Beehive and surrounding facility is a wonderful start, but the need is going to grow. As I look around, it seems there are plenty of low/fixed income households in the area. I would need a better definition or vision of what is being thought about.
- We need a local bus service or taxi company because the elderly population won't be able to drive, nor afford the expense of vehicles.
- need more rental properties. People always looking on FB. allow seniors to live out here but no assisted living. let's them stay with friends and church.

Housing Options

- We would like to see Edgewood develop as a small town, with many different types of housing to meet most needs. We hope to someday "downsize" here in Edgewood, too.
- We need more housing options to meet the residential needs of our community.
- I don't see a shortage of affordable housing, but in Edgewood it tends to take the form of manufactured housing. There might be a benefit in having site-built, multi-family options.
- Provision for more diverse housing should be monitored to prevent concentration. With a higher average age in Edgewood, housing to accommodate this sector should be encouraged.
- I am happy with the housing options

SECTION 3 | TRANSPORTATION

General Comments (optional)

Blight

- In my opinion the areas that have unpaved roads seem to have junkier houses. And the areas that are paved roads have much nicer homes which in turn brings higher property tax

Exit

- Second exit so close to Moriarty will draw in truck drivers
- New exit should be at 217/Mountain Valley
- An on and off ramp at V-Hill Rd. would be nice.
- 17. I agree an exit is needed however I feel it should be West and East of Edgewood it would help the most in spreading out the traffic when accidents happening or bad weather.
- 1-40 Exit west would be better!
- Another exit is not needed as Edgewood is small and doesn't have enough business to support a second exit. Because of nothing in the area of the second exit site it would bring only crime.
- Williams Ranch Road is slated for an exit already, so I have heard.
- Do not add another exit, nor paths linking houses, these will become paths used by thieves and an additional exit will allow them to flee the area faster.
- I don't have the answer as to how, but the entrance/exit on Rt 66 at Smith's is a nightmare!
- I believe the exit needed is West of the current Edgewood exit. One is needed at Mountain Valley.
- Didn't even know we had public transportation. No more exits, it'll create higher traffic flow going through slower roads and potential for things to get "fast paced"
- second exit - yes, especially when cops shut down the only one we have for a crash chip seal or paved roads, this is 2018 not 1918, that does not change the rural feel
- Another exit=more people=more tourism=NO WAY!
- NO New exit. It will only bring crime and have no benefit to this community.
- Need an I40 exit West of current
- A second I-40 exit would bring CRIME to Edgewood with a way in and out. Not needed, very bad idea. 100% will increase crime.
- Wow on one hand the government and these questions are pushing growth, than you put in a question to link trails to homes and businesses? can't have it both ways. Higher volume roads should be paved when necessary and town should take over private paved roads to provide maintenance. This is a small town not a city we do not need public transportation locally other than what could be used to connect people to Albuquerque. There is no need for an exit east of Edgewood, nothing there to warrant it. Issue is west. The Sedillo hill exit has no northern access from exit. You have to drive quite a distance on the southside before you can cross Mountain valley road. Same

holds true as we head east to Edgewood, no north/south access. Everyone has to use Dinkle a residential road at 35 mph to access Northern Edgewood communities. Where south side with very little Edgewood residents has 333

Other

- Again, it all depends on what the town wants to become - a suburb or a community? A suburb doesn't need parking because it holds few if any events of its own. A suburb only needs to concern itself with roads good enough to get everyone into the city and safely back again. A suburb doesn't concern itself with activities for kids because they all go to activities provided by the larger city. And a suburb doesn't concern itself with links to businesses, public places and homes because in a suburb those things only effect a minimum of people, not the majority who are conducting their real lives elsewhere while sleeping in the quiet of the country. Is Edgewood a suburb or a community with a vision of its own future?
- It keeps non-wanted traffic down
- I would need more information regarding trails, 2nd exit, and public transportation to make an informed decision.
- The business s of Edgewood are too spread out. I dislike having to drive to each store since everything is spread out. Need town square
- N/A
- Small town environment. It doesn't need to be an extension of Albuquerque. That's why we all live out here. Unfortunately certain town council members think it should grow, probably for monetary reasons and not putting the community first. It seems like a lot of close door meetings so they get their way. Just like my property, and my neighbors being illegally pulled into the Annexation! They can't even produce the minutes in the meeting that supposedly took place!
- I think building codes that insist on a certain style of building would be more important than road surfaces.
- I don't think its rural character that attracts EDGEWOOD residents. I think its mountain character - great views, people, sports, recreation.
- asked and answered.
- signage is a problem, not roads or parking. no businesses have good and visible signs. i heard that it's hard to get signs for businesses
- Buy the water system.

Public Transportation

- I know many people who rely on the Blue Bus to get to & from Santa Fe. There used to be a bus to Albuquerque, but I do not know if it is around anymore. The I-40 intersection was poorly designed from the get-go. The on-ramps are too short and steep for most traffic to get up to interstate speeds before being forced to merge with oncoming traffic. Paved roads are incredibly expensive to put in, but they are safer and generally easier to maintain as far as snow removal goes. Gravel and dirt roads can be nightmares in wet or snowy/icy weather. Most people want paved roads. Few want to pay for them.

Even maintenance on gravel is costly. Could this be why 80% of all roads in New Mexico are dirt roads? LOL

- I have never seen "public transportation" out here, but think it would be a nice option especially for our youth to get to and from school or extracurricular activities. I believe there needs to be more intersections, like at 217/mountain valley and rt.66. with more people come by out, and folks lacking descent driving skills, safety is always at risk.
- Question 18 - what public transportation?
- I am unaware of any public transportation serving Edgewood, except for a bus to Santa Fe. Public transportation to Albuquerque would be of great benefit, especially for commuters.
- Instead of public transportation, money might be better spent on recreational paths
- Public transportation is a money loser in the most densely populate cities on the planet. There is no reason on earth to spend time and money trying to establish it here. It is not needed.
- There's public transportation in Edgewood?????
- An increased construction and usage of trails must be encouraged, especially for walking, running, biking, and equestrian uses. Public transportation into Albuquerque and to First Choice is woefully inadequate.
- Edgewood DOES NOT need public transportation - this will take away it's Rural Character and we will be another Albuquerque or Santa Fe and we will have more delinquency, robberies and drugs
- There is no public transportation in Edgewood
- Question 18 does Edgewood have public transportation? It's not big enough for public transportation. If the road do get paved they should have speed bumps.
- There is public transportation (question18) available?

Rural

- Leave Edgewood rural and beautiful.
- We don't want to become a burb of Albuquerque. STAY RURAL.

Roads

- We have lived on a dirt road for over 20 years. The wind etc. makes it very washboard like and needs to be grated often. A paved road would be nice. However, do not disturb the side grounds. In road maintenance sometimes the sunflowers have been mowed 😞. I think it is possible to pave and/or maintain and keep rural country look!
- What happened to earlier local government promise (I have been told) that Horton was to be paved all the way to Dinkle but instead the residential area across Dinkle was done?
- Non-paved roads are a nuisance and a health concern. Again, see my previous comments about other rural/farm communities. Edgewood needs paved roadways and proper drainage. Hwy 344 and Route 66 both are in serious need of repaving and widening. Daily I see large dump trucks and semis loaded with rock and construction

items traveling at high speeds up and down 344 near the elementary school. This is a tragedy waiting to happen. Increase daily patrols in this area.

- 66 is in desperate need of repair
- Traffic volume should be a factor on whether to upgrade a road to hard surface, if the cost to maintain gravel vs cost of chip seal is equivalent then upgrade. Factoring in dust and population impact are important in this equation. Generally feeder roads would be likely targets but having a plan to build out from one center area would be logical if you were to implement a program for hard surfaces.
- Hard surface for major routes only
- A balance of road maintenance versus taxes is hard to reach, but Edgewood should focus more on keeping taxes low even if it means keeping the rural roadways. We all have trucks and Subarus anyway!
- As a resident of Edgewood, but living in Torrance County, our road turns from a manageable gravel road to a massive rock invested, bumpy ride.
- I would have never bought the house I have if it hadn't been on a paved road.
- The roads in Edgewood are not being paved correctly in the correct order, the roads with the most traffic and with the Highest Tax base have been put on hold for paving, while the roads that lead to properties owned by a few people, who "want to build a subdivision" were paved. Not sure why this is happening, one of the most populated roads, Square H is not paved, yet West Venus was paved, east Venus, going to many residences and Horton, (where the residences are) are still not paved. The nonsense way the roads are being paved leads one to believe you have to know someone to get anything done in Edgewood. (Of course this is probably the small town mystique of Edgewood Right?)
- Non-paved roads do maintain Edgewood's rural character, but that doesn't mean they are good for our drivers. We have too much dust/dirt flying during our windy springs, and too much MUD in the monsoons.
- Pave the roads! It's tearing up our cars. Venus & Mosley is where I live.
- Non-paved roads in neighborhoods do not detract from our rural character. We need pleasant, clean (paved) roads for young families and especially seniors. (My 86 year old mother in law is not able to take a walk in our neighborhood due to the poor condition of our dirt road).
- If you annex a neighborhood, take over maintenance of roads.
- #16 some of power roads dirt and pave are to narrow. #17 west at Mountain Valley Rd. 217.
- Washboard dirt roads don't add character, they add noise and dust.
- To pave roads is a double-edged sword to be sure. To do so would almost always necessitate at least speed humps in all subdivisions, and maybe full speed bumps where speeding is consistently observed. The other issue is that of road maintenance. Paved surfaces can be damaged easily by snow removal equipment for example as opposed to dirt surfaces. If dirt/gravel roads were to be held to (which I support), at least spend the minimal additional funds to build and maintain them correctly!

- when paving roads, you need more equipment to clear them in the winter. Even if they are nice they require upkeep and funding.
- Rural character is not dictated in any way by gravel roads, but rather a commitment to local community events and a conscious decision to cultivate and maintain a connection to our agricultural and working class roots while still embracing safe, affordable, and convenient modern amenities such as viable public transportation, walkable/bikeable sidewalks, trails, and pathways, and paved roads.
- paved roads are a great idea, but the question of how the Town will afford this needs to be answered.
- road need paving to help keep down the dirt
- Paving roads costs a lot of money. Are taxpayer's willing to pay the higher taxes necessary to do this?
- town is not walker or bicycle friendly. taking your life in your hands. It's not Albuquerque and people need to remember it isn't. Slow Down. Paved roads just equals more speeding.
- pavement will make our roads safer and cut down on air pollution. Also less maintenance.
- Paved roads in planned housing communities would be very efficacious.
- Rural character comes from being neighborly. Good roads makes it easier for neighbors to interact.
- Pave all the roads.
- Pave the roads.
- Hard to turn left from Skyline drive during rush hour, would be nice to turn right from Skyline.
- I don't know anyone that would prefer to drive on a dirt road. Our driveways are long enough.
- The roads don't seem to get enough attention in inclement weather paved or not. Paved roads make getting children to school safer and people to work safer.
- The cost of hard surface roads means they only take away dollars from other things this community needs. You bought a house on a dirt road, why expect the town to pave it?
- Pave all roads
- It is ridiculous to think non-paved roads equal rural character. What it equals is poor respiratory health and erosion issues. The state needs to repave and widen 344. That is a tragic fatality waiting to happen. A speed of 55 on a poorly maintained barely wide enough road with many large dump trucks and semis traveling up and down it is absolutely deadly. The Town of Edgewood needs to put its citizens first and push this issue with the state.
- I do like the dirt roads around Edgewood but also enjoy having a paved road to my house 🏠
- additional points of intersections to tie in hwy 333 to Dinkle and church. The current connections are to spread out.
- Paved or unpaved roads don't change the character of rural towns.

- Some additional stoplights would be awesome! Specifically at 66 and 217 that area is so dangerous!!! I realize that it is a state highway, but maybe some pressure from area residents would help? Most people who live in Edgewood have to drive that area. And at Venus and 344. It's nearly impossible to get in or out during school traffic. The additional traffic flow from EVCA will only make it that much harder!
- I find drivers speed on paved road more than gravel but they will speed on them as well. Rural character is not made by paved or unpaved roads.
- We live in a developed neighborhood with houses, and there are much less developed neighborhoods and areas with paved roads. I still do not understand why we have gravel.
- Paving larger roads with the most access is reasonable. Less traveled dirt roads not being paved but consistently maintained contribute to the rural feeling. However, speeding is increasing on paved roads.
- My road is a disaster and we have been trying to work with SF for years. We have a rental house off Nugent and it is a washboard. Something needs to be done with our roads!
- Bad roads make for good neighborhoods. Keeps out the riffraff.
- We need the rest of HORTON ROAD PAVED ASAP.
- Paving all roads in and around Edgewood is not logical or likely, but auditing roads most traveled (counters?) may validate the improvement to an area. Town staff doing maintenance on roads will also likely know the areas of frequent repair/grading and have input on the same.
- Its country living, if they want pavement let them move to the city.
- A better traffic control should be designed for the area in front of the Dairy Queen and Hwy 344
- Who cares about non-paved roads helping to maintain Edgewood's rural character. You need to concentrate of making it convenient for your tax base.
- Paved roads come with the requirement that they be maintained. Additionally, as weather and age increase on these poorly maintained roads, damages are actually increased over time. Unpaved roads are less expensive to create (including chip seal on compacted base course), less expensive to maintain and can provide service lives that are at least equal to if not longer than paved surfaces.
- Edgewood roads are poor.
- building turning lanes on Rt 66 would better serve the traffic.
- Let neighborhoods weigh in. Roads off main arteries should be paved in my opinion but roads into purely agricultural areas or areas where the unpaved roads are part of the rural charm, should be preserved if possible.
- Paved roads cost a lot of money to build and maintain, are the citizens of Edgewood willing to pay the higher taxes necessary to afford more paved roads?
- Most smaller roads should stay unpaved. There are a few of the local collector roads that should be paved
- Paving the heavily-used roads should be a priority. Yet there should not be a rush to pave every residential road as soon as possible.

- Pave the silly area from frontage road east to McCall rd. It doesn't make sense maintaining that dirt area. It should be paved
- Paved roads do not necessarily remove rural character.
- Road conditions should be a priority especially in updating dirt roads with considerable usage.
- If you kept up on the gravel roads, this wouldn't be a problem, we need to pave the roads or keep up on gravel road maintenance.
- not at the expense of other programs like recreation
- Roads are ridiculous. Especially the unlaced section of east Venus that leads to Moseley. There is way too much traffic to keep that road unpaved. And you can't go around, because Braden ct is covered in potholes almost as big as small cars.
- Gravel roads help maintain rural character somewhat, but the benefit disappears with increasing traffic counts. I would prefer to reserve paving for larger roads with chip seal in neighborhoods which see a lot of traffic.
- Would like to see more frequent maintenance on existing gravel roads. Too much pavement increases speeders on the side roads, more accidents and less appealing as a place to walk, ride bikes and push strollers. Which is part of the charm of living in a smaller town.
- Pave arterials
- While unpaved roads can be difficult to travel, especially in certain conditions, they are better with regards to environmental impact (or relative lack thereof). Asphalt absorbs heat, and has other inherent drawbacks from an environmental perspective. I understand both sides of the argument, but ultimately I must remain generally opposed to increased paving over of the prairie.
- Paved roads may sound like a great idea, especially in the winter, but the more pavement you have the more of a heat island you create. Part of what I love about Edgewood is how nicely it cools off after the rains or after the sun goes down. I have lived in cities where there is so much pavement there is no cooling off after the sun sets. Temperatures remain in the high 90s and low 100s during the summer even after midnight in those cities. Keeping the roads unpaved will help keep our temperatures from being unbearable in the summer months.
- Roads off of 344 were told many years ago that they would be paved. Glad I didn't hold my breath.
- Some roads are inadequate to handle water runoff during the rainy season. Gravel roads are poorly graded and road crowning is diminished over time. Erosion of roads is poorly managed, making it costly for residents to maintain culverts.
- the dirt roads wash out during the rainy season. This needs to be fixed. I really dislike the bike races that occur on 344.. it is dangerous for the bikers.
- Paving roads causes other issues for the environment. Drivers tend to speed more. Not a fan of paving roads
- Yes, but... not on roads I drive every day
- A mix of paved and non-paved roads is fine
- Edgewood does a good job on the roads for a small town with limited resources.

- Any road paving needs to ensure the addition of controls to limit speeding, etc.
- More frequent road grading, eliminating the 'we grade these/they grade those' arrangement with SF County, would help keep our city feeling rural without it being unkempt and sometimes unsafe.
- I think Edgewood should put hard surfaces on its arterial roads.
- Roads need Walking/Bike lanes as they get paved.
- We are a bedroom community for ABQ and Santa Fe, not a farm town. Our roads destroy our cars from the roughness. Pavement does not mean city life.
- NO MORE TRAFFIC LIGHTS!!! OMG, just because someone can't look left and right and pulls in front of traffic doesn't mean a traffic light is going to improve the situation. Roads should be wide enough to accommodate foot and bicycle traffic. I would ride my bicycle to Edgewood regularly but I have NO SAFE place to ride without being inside the white line. Rt. 66 is scary, Church Street is scary, Williams Ranch is scary, Dinkle is scary... This is REALLY important if you want people to feel connected and move around without being forced to drive their car everywhere. For kids to be safe, for the elderly to enjoy a stroll. So although the roads are convenient, I do not consider them safe for a rural environment. I grew up rural where I could ride my bike for hours without seeing another car, here there is too much population for such narrow 'rural' roads. Just saying.

Roads - Dust

- We surely want our road (Square H Road) paved, as soon as possible. We have lived here for 26 years, and it's about time! Traffic and dust has increased tremendously. At least do a better job of maintenance.
- airborne dust due to unpaved roads, off-road vehicles, and livestock is a serious health issue.
- The town of Edgewood has not prioritized basic infrastructure such as roads. We are not in need of additional trails or open space that does not prioritize maintaining what we currently have at this time. The town looks neglected year round. This effects attracting new businesses and property owners. Long term that effects our tax revenue. Dust issues from lack of paved roads effect home owners' quality of life. This community does not have the volume of people to support another exit in Edgewood. That would be a misuse of tax dollars. It would cater to one property owner. High winds prohibit walking on dirt trails that are not maintained. Trails are full of weeds such as goat heads and snakes. Both are not friendly to humans or animals.
- Edgewood needs paved roads - the dust is a health hazard and unsightly. Larger businesses do not want to come here with poorly maintained dusty dirt roads
- All the dust, especially during high wind times is horrible, especially for health
- Our non-paved roads cause dirty air, more wear and tear on our automobiles and make it difficult for people to walk or ride their bicycles in the neighborhood without having to eat dirt.
- The dust factor can be unbearable at times.

- While I enjoy gravel roads, the dust issue for some on the busiest of roads should be considered.
- Unpaved roads increase dust and dirt that enter. They also cause damage to a car's suspension and tires. When it rains, mud is caked onto the car, requiring frequent car washes. Unpaved roads are a nuisance and do absolutely nothing to "maintain a rural character."
- Paved roads cut down on dust which is nice but dirt roads definitely add to the town's character. Trails should connect homes and businesses but I also enjoy riding my horse on trails that amble through the BLM areas and others please keep them
- Paved roads would make the roads safer because it is hard to navigate roads that have mini ditches spaced evenly for miles on end. It would be great if neighborhood roads could have sidewalks. It is not safe to walk on these unpaved roads with dust flying everywhere and no one can see the walkers. Even to get to the walking path on 344 is a bit unsafe. There is no encouragement for mothers with young children to walk outside.
- Unpaved roads do not exist in many rural towns I've been in. That is not a measure of rural. They just create a haze of dirty dust all summer & that is a growth turn-off, especially considering our winters & with caliche clay, muddy springs. Housing Development areas need to be held to basic paved roads. Sewer vs. septic is a silly demand in a rural area that has no surface water pollution-type issues.
- unpaved roads generate too much dust.
- Non-paved roads do not contribute to the rural character and are hard on tires and create way too much dust.
- I'm tired of driving on washboard roads and in dust clouds.
- Again, the dust clouds created by the ever increasing traffic is a nuisance and probably a health issue.
- Non-paved roads cause dust.
- Pave roads please! Non-paved does not add rural character. They are just annoying and make everyone's cars dusty. Non-paved are also terrible for washboards and flash flooding.
- Non-paved roads are a hazard in washboard condition as well as creating a dust problem
- While the dirt roads do add to the rural character, they tend to create a lot of dust and mud. Some are very challenging in the winter. I also see them maintained almost weekly, adding cost to the road that does not return the investment.

Sidewalks

- We need sidewalks because you can no longer walk out your door and start walking
- Sidewalks for safe passage of pedestrians and cyclists throughout the town are sorely needed. Church street, as an example, is frequented quite often by pedestrians. It's so unsafe. I'd also like to see streetlights added for safety purposes to side streets.
- What would really be beneficial is PAVED SIDEWALKS for children to safely travel on bikes around town, and I'd enjoy walking on them. I would say this is more important than paving dirt roads.

Trails

- more walking/bike paths - particularly along Dinkle. There are a lot of school children and surrounding residents wanting to use this for getting to bus stop or exercise. It is horribly unsafe for runner's, bikers, walkers.
- It would be nice for Frost/472 to have at least minimal shoulders from 344 to Mountain Valley. In the grand scheme would like to see walking/biking trail along that section, similar to along 344 and the south part of Horton.
- We have a lot of trails to nowhere. I would use them more if they went further and were better maintained. I don't think there really is true public transportation. Non-paved roads = rural character - ? - only if well maintained! You could lose a wheel on some of these roads! Plus dust is a concern. With paved roads drainage is a concern. Has to be done right.
- All trails should also be ATV friendly
- I would love to see more trails. Dirt roads are just fine, as long as they're reasonable maintained.
- We really missed the boat when Edgewood developed. Lost opportunity to make it a walkable shopping area. Must use vehicles for everything. Need more extensive, clearly defined trails to allow for walking, bikes and equine to travel off major thoroughfares.
- Would like to see bike access and electric cart access to and from grocery and post office.

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Question 27: “Are there services or amenities you would like but that are not currently available in Edgewood? If so, what?”

Mentions of specific amenities have been tallied and grouped below for those listed greater than 10 times:

Pool	81
Movie Theater/Theater	63
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Car Wash	30
Park	23
Medical	16
Laundromat/dry cleaner	16
Y/Rec Center	15
Splash Park	15
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Grocery	14
Alcohol	12
Shopping	12
Trails	11

Many write-in responses contain multiple elements. They are loosely categorized below, each comment appearing once.

Amenities

- A bowling alley would accommodate most age groups.
- Movie theater, more restaurants
- Pool, local Y
- Theater, bowling alley
- A full size hospital, psychiatry, large exercise park, movie theater, h.e.b grocery
- More assisted living options
- Swimming pool, theater, BIKE RACKS at businesses so I can bike there without losing my bicycle, Bicycle lanes on major roadways.
- indoor swimming pool
- More food options, more transportation, home improvement stores that are close and not over priced, restaurants
- Sprouts, Upscale restaurant, movie theater
- Swimming Pool
- Swimming pool

- Dirt bikes
- upscale restaurants, movie theatre, Sprouts,
- Movie theater, more non fast food dining options, more shops, art galleries
- A car wash would be great until TOE paves all the roadways. Parks, dog park, pool, tennis court, a proper maintained baseball diamond.
- community center that has jogging track, basketball courts, somewhere that adults and kids can have indoor activities, especially in wind and snow days
- Permanent bathrooms at the current parks, three parks do not have this.
- More grocery store selections
- an urgent care clinic, more restaurants, park and ride to abq
- museums, theater spaces, art display areas.
- movie theatre, organic grocer
- Restaurants, theater, walkable shopping.with benches trees accent lighting
- An indoor pool would be great.
- More dining options.
- A developed public park for all ages and multiple activities/facilities
- Sport center with pool
- Better shopping. I have to go to Albuquerque for almost all food.
- Hospital, transportation for elderly and disabled to get to local doctors, grocery store, senior center, etc.
- carwash, reliable (get emptied) and clean public recycling bins including glass, movie theatre, miniature golf, trampoline park
- Start by improving, upgrading and doing some basic maintenance on the existing community center park/playground. It's a disgrace.
- Better Restaurants
- Car wash
- parks, bowling alley, movie theater, restaurants
- A more comprehensive library
- Car wash, laundry mat, restaurants
- Car wash
- Pool
- Laundry mat & car wash
- Public pool. No more open space! Or equestrian parks! There's enough of those. Actual parks/play grounds are needed. And a public pool
- Movie theater. Off-road park (Jeep trails)
- Car wash
- Car wash without hard water like the one in Tijeras, Spa, drive through coffee, more restaurants, home depot
- Car wash with good water
- More offering for teenagers. My boys were always going to Albuquerque to see movies, roller skating, etc. Parents would feel better if the kids didn't have to go to the city to have a little fun.

- Swimming pool
- Splash park or community pool, recreation center for youth and teens, more dine-in options, park with mature vegetation/tress
- splashpad, public pool
- Restaurants especially casual dining
- I would love to have a movie theater in Edgewood.
- Emergency or after hours Urgent Care
- Public pool and/or splash pad
- Movie theatre
- Urgent care clinic
- Splash pad or pool for the kids. A community center like the one in Santa Fe would be amazing too.
- An active community center with activities for teenagers and elementary age children is desperately needed in the Edgewood area!
- Movie Theater, swimming pool
- natural grocers
- more clothing, farm co-op style grocery store with more organic food and clothing choices
- More restaurants
- Swimming pool
- I would like to see our parks maintained. If we can't maintain our parks how are kids/teens supposed to stay out of trouble here in Edgewood?
- A playground
- Swimming pool
- Movie theatre and health food store
- Car Wash
- Movie theater
- Car wash, movie theater
- Cracker Barrel restaurant.
- Dry cleaners
- Restaurants
- Laundry mat, movie theater, parks,
- A nice park with a play area, sports fields, and picnic areas
- Splash pad
- Golden pride chicken (🍗). Public swimming pool with larger community center to offer alternative activities for teens especially.
- Where's the bmx track?
- A city pool would be nice.
- Park, splash pad, pool, updated community center
- Movie theatre
- Movie theater
- Movie theaters

- Pool, more parks , movie theater
- movie theater
- A dog park would be nice
- Splash pad, pool, nice parks, bowling, movie theater
- Public Swimming Pools
- Trader Joe’s, Sprouts or Whole Foods
- Swimming pool or splash pad
- Pool
- Swimming pool, bowling alley
- Movies, golf, bowling, carwash, laundry/dry cleaner, outdoor activities such as open air music, movies, socials
- I would like a Lowes or Home Depot
- Multipurpose-Activities Community Center for young & old, Recreational Center, Splash Park,more Tennis Courts
- Theater
- Would like to see a swimming pool for aging Seniors, possible tie it in with health care. Edgewood has an aging population, so accommodating Seniors may be extremely effective in creating a stable economy.
- movie theater
- Theaters,,bowling,carwash, drive up money machine,swimming pool ,urgent care,real doctors,not P.A.,shade trees at parks, maintained parks ,places to walk ,play ,ride bikes, event places to hold gatherings,
- Movie theaters, more retaurants
- Cinema, car wash and a donut shop
- Swimming
- Movie theaters
- A pool.
- Public pool. Indoor track for walking in the winter.
- Hospital
- Pool
- Dry cleaning
- Restaurants that can have a full bar - attracts tourists and keeps residents from heading to ABQ
- Movie theater
- Dry cleaner, better options for clothing shopping. A farmers market. More family dine in type food options. Movie theater or multi use space for children and families.
- Pool, rec ctr, performing arts ctr
- Bars
- Some home maintenance/repair/building supply stores.
- A public swimming pool
- Culture center, movie theater
- Movie theater, car wash

- More parks for kids. Teen center. Alcohol sales on Sunday
- Mom and pop shops, laundry, theater, pool,
- a children's park with new equipment, trees and picnic tables. An automated car wash. An indoor pool.
- A pool/community center or a splash pad
- Indoor facility that has variety for children and adults year round.
- Car wash decent restaurant
- Car wash, movie theater, pool, multigenerational center
- A pool
- Dry Cleaning.
- Swimming pool, indoor
- Emergency Department or 24 hour urgent care
- Emergency room/hospital, more local shopping options, more restaurants.
- Movie theater, big chain stores besides the Walmart, chain restaurants
- dry cleaners, movie theatre
- Any and all types of entertainment options, shopping, more restaurants.
- Public pool. Water play park
- Shaded playground space. Community center with classrooms available for use.
- More diverse businesses that aren't available anywhere in the East Mountains
- local coffee shop would be nice
- Shopping, restaurant, recreational, social
- A community center like in Tijeras or Cedar Crest
- Indoor/outdoor swimming pool. A 1-2 screen movie theater would be great and keep teenagers on this side of the mountain for entertainment.
- AMC Theater, Lowes, Target
- public community swimming pool and small movie theater
- Continuing education like a satellite UNM or CNM campus! A health club with pool. Biking/ hiking equestrian trails.
- Playgrounds
- library
- Greater variety of restaurants, hardware stores open on weekends, entertainment opportunities ie, a movie theater, bakery for breads and other staple goods
- Buy-out Wildlife West & make it a multi- use Zoo, Park, Jobs opportunities, Solar & Wind training place...even a link-up with TVI's or colleges internships in again ef pen, forestry, wildlife, ecology, sustainability education degrees.ce w/ amenities: bathrooms, shade covers along the way & water fountains/ water troughs (just 4" x 10") would allow horse/dog watering.
- update the baseball/softball fields so we can host tournaments
- Car wash,
- Car wash, laundromat, Mexican Restaurant.
- Theater, swimming pool

- Lowes or Home Depot, Costco or Sams Club, movie theater, indoor swimming pool, fine dining, rec center
- A consolidated retail business park for walk/shop browsing and used for big events - to attract outside money. I.e red river, eagles nest, Estes park, telluride, etc.
- Town Plaza area to hold holiday activities and free music concerts
- More OHV friendly. Share all trails.
- We never got a movie theatre. Never got public pool either.
- Rec ctr and pool
- a public swimming/exercise pool and a dedicated dog park
- Swimming pool, new senior center with a gym like they have a Vista grande in Sandia Park. More paved walking trails with parking nearby
- Swimming
- A movie theater would be nice.
- Indoor public swimming pool and a splash pad for kids
- Movie theater
- A few more restaurants, including those that serve alcohol on Sunday.
- Swimming pool, rock climbing, indoor walking track.
- Swimming pool, upgrade the park at Edgewood Elementary - it needs shade and regular maintenance
- movie theaters, public swimming pool
- I would love to see a bowling alley
- another venue to sit and have a beer and food other than pizza
- More sit down restaurants like Cracker Barrel or some type of sports bar that would serve alcoholic beverages.
- A Recreation Center
- More banking options...
- Urgent care facility
- POOL
- A community pool and exercise facility
- an edgewood off road park, people do it anyways, lets give them an area and promote it, there are two of the largest offroad clubs in NM based in the EAsT Mountains, they bring members (visitors to edgewood), lets keep them here
- Indoor swimming / lap pool
- brewery and more restaurants
- Golf driving range, car wash
- A pool
- trails interconnecting residents to shopping, jobs, recreation
- Dog park
- Pool, playground at sports green
- Urgent care facility; extended clinic hours are appreciated but
- recycling
- Pool, thought out trail system with distance markers

- Car wash
- car wash, laundry mat
- Public swimming pool.
- Rec Center
- always, good food,- swimming pool
- Movies, swimming pool
- Movie theater
- Pool or splash pad, parks
- Additional non-fast food restaurants
- More restaurants
- car wash
- I'd like to see more options for dining and shopping.
- Community center, swimming pool
- Movie theater. Greater variety of restaurants. Climbing gym or ninja gym.
- Better restaurants
- Swimming pool
- Swimming pool
- SWIMMING POOL
- A nice Mexican restaurant
- Dog park
- Public swimming pool. Hospital in the East Mountains.
- Public pool
- Drive-through car wash (to wash the dust off from those unpaved roads)
- Movie Theater
- Bike paths
- Home Improvement
- a movie theater, a nice Park
- Movie theatre. Drive in laundry mat
- Movie theater, swimming pool, kids/teen programs, higher end shopping
- Laundromat and car wash, Home Depot or Lowe's
- better restaurants
- movie theater
- swimming pool
- Fast Food
- Community center, indoor pool
- Restaurants that do not close at 8 pm, Bars, Shops, indoor fleemarket
- Family pub... laundromat... public co-op vegetable farms... expanded animal sheltering... functional real-time communications between town hall and residents... cctv council meetings broadcast locally
- More sidewalks or walking trails within housing areas or at least near schools for the kids to safety walk.
- Trails within Edgewood.

- Splash pad for the children
- better restaurants
- Diverse restaurants
- Bike and electric cart paths along heavily traveled routes.
- Large public recycling bins.
- More restaurants, movie theater, pool, etc
- Dry cleaning and car wash services.
- pool
- It would be nice to have a Brewery or similar in the area.
- 24 Hour Urgent Medical care.
- hospital or urgent care, movie theater, better restaurants and bars
- Swimming pool, OMG I would do anything to be able to lap swim for exercise.
- recycle location
- Pool or splash park
- More restaurant choices. People who live and work in this Town have very few choices. (and they are often overwhelmed during standard lunch hours). What can be done to entice more franchises?
- More open spaces with trails similar to the one near the equestrian park.
- Movie Theater, Public Swimming Pool, Sunday Liquor Sales

Infrastructure

- Modern parks for kids, liquor sales on Sundays, paved roads, sewage system.
- parks, trails, paved roads, a decent library, restaurants serving liquor, rec center with a pool
- Natural gas available up and into Living Water
- natural gas on the south side of I-40
- Pool, splash park, reservoir
- Expand the Sewer and Water service areas.
- Sewer system, and senior living. Medical Facilities
- More broadband and internet service
- Heated swimming pool, transportation to Albuquerque doctors, internet
- Faster (fiber) internet throughout Edgewood.
- Parking for horse trailers at or near trail heads
- I would like to see longer paved trails and easier to find trailheads with regularly maintained parking lots
- High Speed Internet, Urgent Care, Hiking Areas/Trails
- sidewalks and/or shoulders on roads, especially dinkle

Other

- A decent bakery. A restaurant that offers fine dining. Policing on north 344 where traffic passing in no passing zones is common
- Accessibility, ease of use.

- Effective communication.
- Better government officials
- Easy access to recycling facilities for all residents. Living in such a beautiful area, where our natural resources are valued, it is important for us to be able to easily recycle glass/plastic/paper/cans/etc. to signify our commitment to the environment.
- Beef up animal control, way too many loose dogs running around!
- 911 service
- Good water
- The walking path along 344 extended. The rail along 344 helped but I think the road still needs to be a bit wider. There really hasn't been much snow since the rail was added. If we ever get much snow again I don't think the rail will keep vehicles from going off because it is too narrow with such a drop off.
- We need public transportation that is viable and that you don't have to stay in Albuquerque all day
- cost effective transportation from Edgewood to Albuquerque
- drinkable water

Trails

- Bike trails
- Bike paths.
- Tennis courts (in good repair), bike trails/lanes, public gyms with handball or racketball courts and fitness equipment
- car wash, more restaurants, trails down Dinkle road and Church street
- Restaurants, health foodstore, bike walking trails.
- Hiking trails, bike trails, park with picnic facilities
- ATV trails with parking
- Off road trails, for motorcycle and ATV's
- Horse trails and shooting spots
- ATV / OHV park. Complete and expand the multi use trails adjacent to HWY 344 and 66. Expand and add facilities at the Town park (344 and Dinkle). The baseball fields need work, a community pool would be a major asset. The trails in Section 16 west of the park, town hall and Edgewood middle school could be greatly expanded and improved to provide an excellent space for running and mountain biking racing events. These events could be a decent money maker for the town as well as adding a nice recreation area for everyone as well as the schools cross country teams.
- More public facilities like tennis courts, basketball courts, handball courts, hiking trails for adults, as well as families.

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General Comments (optional)

Amenities

- <https://youtu.be/IIei84Lr4YI> <<<exercise park video
- The only way the public will vote in new parks is to tie them in with sports, dogs, or horses, for some reason. I guess with all the screen addiction it has been forgotten that parks are for people to relax and play in. We can do better than the skate park & soccer complex (or whatever it is called these days). People tend to make use of neighbourhood parks when they are available. I feel that a park or commons area should be included in all new housing development plans.
- We try very hard not to have to go into ABQ to buy stuff, and, apart from Costco, if Edgewood had a few more amenities, we wouldn't have too very much.
- There should be an area far away from residential areas for off-road vehicles. The pocket parks should not be open to motorized vehicles.
- Too many horse activities this is not a town of horses
- Edgewood needs updated parks and trails. ATVs should be allowed on the dirt trails. The paved sidewalk should be extended past the fire station to Edgewood Middle School so students can safely traverse the area. A BMX and motorcross track is NOT needed. Moriarty already has those - they bring unwanted noise and no increase to local businesses.
- we don't need more public parks, since we are rural, most residents have 2-5 acres anyway, they don't go to public parks
- Taking care of the parks in the town would be a first priority. Watering trees, invasive weeds removed regularly. Accessible walk ways, grass watered and cared for. Not allowing any trucks on the turf, which create permanent ruts. Educating coaches to advise kids to pick up trash after themselves is a priority.
- Albuquerque isn't that far away - many of us moved out here to get away from the "amenities". Keep the clutter and chaos down there please!
- I'd love to see other public places for kids/teens to hang out. (ie, bowling alleys, skating rink, etc.)
- try to utilize current assets/property to keep investment costs down and keep it affordable to live out here. Maybe upgrade the current soccer field into a combo park that has facilities for dog park, playground and sports field.
- Another motel or two around the I-40 intersection would be nice. Car wash too.
- There are enough parks by they are all over the place. no central location with central parking. what a mess! no planning. Town spent more time fighting about things then thinking about the good of the community. Where is town central?
- A larger Community Center for Group & Family Gatherings & Celebrations, such as (Ex.- Weddings, Anniversaries, Employer & Church, Sport Banquets, Movie Nights, Neighborhood Meetings
- I don't think we need more Open Spaces as we already have quite a bit, just that the largest space is not accessible by vehicle. It would be nice to have some trails for those

who like to ride off-road vehicles. A lot of people out here have four-wheelers, motorcycles, etc.

- We need a true community center with better programs for our t youth including a swimming pools
- The lack of cinema I can understand, but with all the dirt roads it's surprising there isnt a car wash. Smith's and Walmart bake donuts daily, but are usually sold out by 8am. If they're selling out that fast, then someone ought to be able to turn a profit making donuts.
- We have a generous amount of trails and open space. ORV's need trails also. The logical equine owner's answer to that is better trained horses. The Edgewood elementary school playground offers a great deal of sports possibilities but is only lightly used, should be promoted more.
- A new park for kids is definitely needed. And a separate dog park - a ban on dogs at the soccer field. People take their dogs their to crap on the field and then small children are playing on it - it's disgusting!! An indoor pool would surely get a lot of use, also help employ teens and young adults as lifeguards. A trail along 344 from Frost to 7 would be nice for ATVs to travel on.
- NO SMALL DOG PARKS! They are dangerous to both dogs & humans. People are notoriously inattentive of their dogs behavior when letting their dogs roam free at dog parks. The only successful dog parks I've ever seen are 25 or more FENCED IN acres.
- The public parks also need to have areas with picnic tables, shade, and grills for picnics. There need to be quiet areas for seniors and parents with young children.
- Edgewood can be a center for soccer and baseball/softball tournaments with more and care ford feilds
- the soccer field is notadequate to create a feeling of connection and community....a plaza/ with a park in the center is needed
- I would love to see a Sprouts store here. I think Walmart and Smiths could handle the competition.
- I wouldn't be interested except as a spectator but an adult baseball/softball field and promotion of local adult teams involvement.
- More 50s 60s look with the newer amenities.
- Still don't want to see any bars or saloons here, let the drunks go somewhere else.
- Dirtbikers can go to that track in Torrance County.
- off road areas yes. see above
- Our community is generally quiet and peaceful. any allowance of off-road vehicles near the city and communities would definitely deteriorate the desirability and the draw to edgewood. Also, this allows for more crime and noise.
- Try to utilize current assets/property to keep investment costs down and keep it affordable to live out here. Maybe upgrade the current soccer field into a combo park that has facilities for dog park, playground and sports field.
- I bear a strong bias, and steadfast opposition, to motorized "off-highway" vehicles. They and their generally irresponsible drivers are the frequent cause of damage to wild

spaces including litter, vandalism, poaching, trespassing, and fires. I will ever remain against any proposed increase to their available range.

- With the larger lot sizes parks are not needed. I would hate for public money to be spent on wasteful uses.
- Part of what attracted me and my family to Edgewood is the peace and quiet. If you create more options for motorized vehicles than that peace and quiet is done for.
- It would be nice if the one started were finished. There need to be trees planted near the tables and around the areas, not pines. Swings etc for children- Perhaps a ball field. Let's Concentrate on one area and beautify it before we jump to another.
- Dog parks are needed for city folk. Every one here has land for dogs to run on and there are trails and such. Please do not spend money on dogs before people.
- Would love it if we had a Target in the East Mountains.
- Dog park is desperately needed as dogs are pooping on the soccer fields.
- Plant trees, make Edgewood a green city in every way!
- I think Edgewood is moving in the right direction (i.e. community parks, community events, hiking areas) but I think they need to be better maintained, better advertised, and easier to find.

Infrastructure

- Lighting at soccer field. Paved sidewalks and roads.
- Roads must be maintained better before more expansion is done!
- I believe updated homes, businesses, and roads wouldn't take away from the rural charm if it was all built around well maintained public open spaces and parks

Other

- Some of my list may not belong under "services or amenities," please list them in the needed area.
- In my mind Edgewood could grow into a community that embraces the idea of sharing our outdoors and its beauty and fresh air with others. If that were to be the case, then I'd be fully on board with any and all of these kinds of improvements. If Edgewood has no real goals beyond one-acre-lot developments, then I see no reason to spend the money on a place that will never be more than a suburb.
- We need the police to stop speeders and other traffic violations
- Takes long from moriarty
- I think the current mayor has the interested of the town in mind. From what I hear and read, realtors and developers exert a lot of influence that may not be in the best interest of the town.
- Sports tourism is a huge market that could bring additional revenue to the community. We have the space!
- Raks is super high priced because there is no competition.
- All of these questions should be summed up into "Would you like more traffic in Edgewood?" I think if you ask that honest question, you will hear "No." almost exclusively.

- Edgewood is one of the few small NM towns that doesn't but could have a "draw" that is located close to a major city. I would love to see the main strip of Edgewood, whether it was 344 or 66 take on that charm. Cute shops, galleries, local restaurants, etc that we travel to experience. Places like Ruidoso, Chama, Durango all have that feel. Clean, well loved and taken care of and local! Edgewood still feels like Belen back in the 90s. Half a truck stop with a Walmart (tho Edgewood Walmart is VERY nice!) I don't want to see it become overgrown, over populated, over built, and over franchised like Rio Rancho either... but a nice, local, upscale small rural town. One I'd travel to visit....
- Need job opportunities! Need Vo-Tec locally! We grow or we die. Nothing stays still! Buy-out Wildlife West which would make jobs, set-up forest/wildlife Educ. Internships w/ TVI & University & colleges. Build solar & wind tower Education there as well. Instant Township Park, Zoo & mini-auditorium and outdoor theater & campground w/horse-camping, overnight horse transport/parking & a hotel to stay in, across the freeway! Town could get all positive stuff out of it plus connect w/state wildlife agencies ...grant possibilities.
- Buy the water system.
- Give incentives for both small tourist style business with sufficient big events as well tech:engineering job opportunities (bolder)..
- Services needed should be geared towards your tax base and who pays the bills.
- Keeping the "ag community" vibe, making it livestock and horse friendly as opposed to allowing other recreation motorized vehicles will keep Edgewood a small community with a slower pace and allow for those, like my self, who have moved from both corrales and then the south valley due to those communities becoming less and less livestock friendly.
- Old man Basset made a fool of himself at the last meeting when he spoke on the water situation. He is not being fair to EPCOR customers that EPCOR serves that do not live within Edgewood boundaries.
- Repeal the Sunday restrictions on sales of alcohol which has always been a religiously-based ban and not truly about public health and safety.
- I think we are going to lose our rural community as Abq moves further east.
- taxes should be higher to pay for amenities. edgewood should stop encouraging scattershot development (dumpy trailers and tar paper shacks)
- Small town environment. It doesn't need to be an extension of Albuquerque. That's why we all live out here. Unfortunately certain town council members think it should grow, probably for monetary reasons and not putting the community first. It seems like a lot of close door meetings so they get their way. Just like my property, and my neighbors being illegally pulled into the Anex! They can't even produce the minutes In the meeting that supposedly took place!

Trails/Open Space

- The town needs to publish info/maps on currently available trails in the area.
- Recreational areas are satisfactory in Edgewood, trails fall under the roads categories, Trails that should be paved are not (for example, the trail next to 344 from Dinkle to W

Hill Ranch Road was funded to be paved, but it is not paved) Yet Horton (which nobody actually lives on) has a paved trail from Dinkle to West Venus Road. This is very disturbing to me, since I do own my home and do pay taxes, wondering where my tax dollars are benefiting me, who if the trail was paved, could walk from my house on Square H to Walmart, but the trail ends before Edgewood Elementary school, then the sidewalks start after Dinkle, so walking the trail all the way there, can't happen.

- Question 23 - what trailheads?
- Parking for access to trailheads is a good idea, however in public use areas, NOT in residential areas ! This would invite vandalism and crime of all sorts which would certainly permeate into the surrounding private properties and homes.
- More hiking trails. Everywhere I go there are private properties blocking hiking. For a rural area, we are sadly lacking in wooded areas (like Juan Tomas, for example) with trails of several hours' hiking duration.
- I like the idea of making some public parking for trails in question 23.
- Dedicated horse parking for new open space parking.
- I would like to see open space set aside in different areas and connected to trails as the town grows. I would prefer to see more trails in residential areas with parks located in areas near other public facilities for ease of maintenance and monitoring to ensure proper use. Motorized off-highway vehicles are noisy; Torrance County is closeby and offers opportunities for this kind of activity.
- Access to the western section (state or blm land)
- access to the state land section is needed.
- Create parking for section 32. Open it up to more than just that neighborhood.
- Access to all of the current open space.
- Develop current open spaces. Give access to more than just one neighborhood.
- There are plenty of public spaces to walk and hike. I don't think many people know about the options though because I rarely meet others on my walks.
- Development of Sections 34, 32, and 16 is a must. Trails throughout Edgewood must be developed and maintained. Non-motorized transportation should be encouraged. Expanded use of library facilities should be encouraged.
- Parking with room for large trucks and horse trailers. There is quite a bit of serviceable open space but it is scattered in all directions without access linkage.
- Edgewood needs trails within the Town. Not just on the outskirts.
- What if Edgewood focused on a more 'green' accessible design for locals such that we wouldn't even need a car to get what we need. Safe walking/bike paths allowing for non-motorized transportation.

SECTION 5 | ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

General Comments (optional)

Amenities/Businesses

- Edgewood desperately needs more eating establishments. We currently go to Cedarcrest and Albuquerque for dining experiences
- A target would be nice
- A Target would be nice
- A tech/industrial park would help provide local jobs for local people. Automation for many jobs is coming and if we can make the robots/kiosks that will replace our workers, we will still have jobs.
- Again, this is a slippery slope. Plan on businesses that can accommodate our shrinking water supply. Bring in green businesses that can help tackle the challenges of our overtaxed environment. Businesses that don't have a lot of environmental impact but can help our struggling community.
- Albuquerque is for large chain stores and commercial business - keep the small town feel and let those that need to commute!
- Big box stores bring in the smaller ones.
- Brewery perhaps?
- Bring on the dollar stores. That would complete the town aesthetic.
- Businesses with more options
- Edgewood should promote Small Businesses that are owned by Edgewood Residents
- Environmentally friendly business, especially those catering to the town's demographic character should be encouraged. Industrial/office park development would be detrimental to the town's rural character and would potentially harm the surrounding environment.
- Especially higher end shops and well known specialty shops
- For our community to truly thrive there must be a mixture of large and small businesses. The larger businesses will bring jobs with benefits which the people need. Maybe a community college or trade school outlet so education is readily available that could help boost folks out of poverty. We don't want to be Albuquerque but we sure can take pride in our town if there were more opportunities and reasons to stay instead of going into the city just 30 minutes West.
- H.E.B. grocery, Sprouts organic grocery, Michaels or Hobby Lobby,
- Having some other large chain options for restaurants besides Denny's would be super. E.g. Applebees, Olive Garden. Small businesses in neighborhoods like in-home businesses are great. I would not recommend anything beyond that.
- Home Depot or Lowe's
- Home Depot type, Garden Center, Sears type, more small eateries
- Home Depot. Chick-fil-A. Dions.
- I am all for the small businesses out here but do like the large chains for groceries, etc. Other than that if the small business will come I say let them come and stay. If they will not, then we are bound to end up with larger chains. Maybe one large chain restaurant

(not another Denny's) would be nice but truly I like the small businesses we just need some good ones to come and stay.

- I have no idea how to fix. But, "Edgewood" businesses are strung out and not necessarily easy to find, see, or get to.
- I think attracting businesses would be good, but I think you should start small.
- I would like the town to encourage commercial development which promotes pedestrian traffic, locates parking in less conspicuous areas, and helps preserve night skies and views of the mountains and the Estancia Valley.
- I would sure love a sprouts up here : >
- if edgewood wants to remain relevant past the next 10 years we need to look at technology, a business park would keep that here and not Moriarty, Cedar Crest, ABQ, etc.
- Keeping a higher ratio of small business to large corporate chains will help mom and pop places stay open due to heavier traffic flow. In developing Edgewood there should be serious green initiatives in place to help curb light and air pollution to keep it clean and small town.
- Large chains bring in more taxes.
- Large chains make towns and cities look exactly the same across the country.
- Large corporations, with deep pockets, are attractive for obvious reasons. I believe, however, they are also responsible for much of what is wrong with our country as a whole. Its naive to believe that we will unite as a Nation and demand a return to independent domestic enterprise, but for a truly sustainable economy in the long-term, we should still endeavor to invest our dollars in local businesses, whenever possible.
- Larger business does not have to be chains.
- Larger chains attract small business. Walmart did not chase away the mom and pop stores.
- Larger commercial business should offer what Edgewood doesn't have but not drive small, established business currently operating out of business.
- locally owned business is better for Edgewood.
- Mall-like stores are needed for higher quality. There are too many thrift stores and flea market type businesses.
- maybe a gym for adults and children. Charter school, public school or even tuition free school.
- more restaurants and a brewery
- more restaurants...chains,,,ie..Applebees, Chilli's, Garcia's.
- Most towns are most small business and some larger chains. Approx 70 to 80 percent of a town or cities businesses are small businesses.
- Need more restaurants - chains that have staying power and long hours.
- Not enough small businesses.
- Not interested in big box stores.
- Only for large developments does pocket commercial activity make sense. We already have both small and large chain business so let's continue in a smart way! We do need more job opportunities to keep families here - technology and education may be the

way to go. Working with regional representatives to partner in bringing business here that would help to create jobs.

- please shut down the shabby road-side vending on 344. it's an embarrassment.
- Small businesses have their place, but I would also like to see some fast food chains come here. These would help to bring tax dollars in and give people a nice place to stop on their way through town. As for the Technology center, The town should not be getting involved in this, if a company wants to do this it is fine, but town funds should not be spent on a "technology center"
- Small Businesses not only create jobs but the income generated stays in our community if it is locally owned. However, small business need to realize since this is a "bedroom" community, there hours should work around regular work hours and they should try to have an online presence to be able to have enough sales to survive.
- Sprouts or Aldi's would be good, also Home Depot or Lowes, Steak and Shake or Long John Silvers and a HOSPITAL.
- Sprouts, Staples, Michael's or Hobby Lobby, Home Depot or Lowe's. Any fine restaurant would be nice!
- The current chains are sufficient enough for Edgewood.
- There should be economic incentives to help attract and support small businesses. We're in desperate need of an independent coffee shop, for example, as well as more variety in our eating establishments.
- There ya a dearth of table service restaurants. We need others besides Denny's that offer a meal, not just a slab of meat between two slices of bread
- This town can't seem to keep small businesses open due to high rent, low traffic. Larger chain restaurants would be appreciated and would help smaller boutique businesses. This town needs to grow or it will fail and be nothing but dust. I see houses sitting for sale for years and years. Open the door to technology - we have the space for it. Also, allow small businesses that don't encumber neighbors to operate in residential areas. But you have to pave these roads! The vet on Square H was great but the traffic on that road was awful at times. speed limit too fast and too much dust kicked up.
- Trader Joe's, Whole Foods, vegan businesses.
- Very limited large business!
- We need a Chick-fil-A in the SE corner of 344/7 & Route 66!
- We need a mix of businesses and their appearance need to follow a well thought out brand. We need to look good from the highway. It looks like we are barely making ends meet from the looks of the homes off I-40 exit 😞
- We need to allow restaurant/bars into Edgewood.
- We should be accepting to ALL businesses that want to come here IF they add to our quality of life and provide services and products not currently available here.
- We want Edgewood to be welcoming to ALL businesses that might want to settle here and add to our overall livability.
- Welcome all reasonable business that add to the community and don't detract from it.
- Would hate to have Edgewood become an outpost for a bunch of huge box stores. When they move or go out of business the town would be left with huge empty

buildings. Some would be fine, however smaller businesses bring more charm to an area.

- Would like a Target in Edgewood or East Mountains.
- Would like to see another sit-down chain restaurant in the area that stays open PAST 8/9 pm.

Growth

- Attracting Business Development should be done but limited to small to medium companies or organizations. Large corporations usually have a 5-10 year life cycle in a community, then they relocate. That could devastate a community like our Edgewood. Commercial development adds to local revenues and infrastructure, so it us a positive endeavor.
- Business drives the economy for the Town. If commercial is kept in the main corridors it would be great for everyone.
- Business is key to establishing a town. If the town has a good mission that invites new residents and supports those who stay, business will be happy to follow whatever rules are set in order to maintain a high level of success. A town takes teamwork between residents, government and business.
- Business/industrial parks should be limited to areas along Route 66 or east of 344, such as near the air park. An exit at Mountain Valley makes more sense than one further east.
- Commerce is important to maintain residents in Edgewood. Most families have one or both parents working in ABQ, they tend to move closer to their workplace. Leaving Edgewood and taking the kids causes the school district to lose financial state funding and have to shrink districts to adjust to this loss of children. Having a larger tax base in Edgewood also allows the town to grow and develop the vision for years to
- Commercial business would be fine, if kept to designated areas and held to an overall and common Aesthetic
- commercialization of our city would be destructive
- develop a plaza area for businesses to be built around with a park in the center to connect the community feeling
- Edgewood should be wide open for commercial development to provide jobs so fewer people have to commute to Alb. At present town government presents a mixed picture to potential businesses and conflicting ordinances make it hard for a business to figure out whether or not it is welcome.
- Edgewood should limit growth and not become another Rio Rancho.
- Edgewood should not strive to be known for its Walmart and other chain stores, but rather for its unique character and inviting, open nature. Bike paths and parks, as well as smaller, more unique shopping and business opportunities, are more valuable to residents in the long term than big box stores and will certainly draw more tourist and interstate traffic.
- I would be OK with small pockets of development in residential as long as it is only open during the day time; businesses like laundry mats or offices. I wouldn't want to see gas

stations or fast food businesses in residential areas. I'd like to see any new business landscape it's premises as did the new Credit Union building. I like to see light technology that might provide jobs that pay a living income, like the Brewery in Moriarty.

- It is clear that we are trying to determine if Edgewood should grow itself into its own city or become a suburb of ABQ. Is there any hope Edgewood can retain its original rural character?
- Keep commercial development limited to current areas (Rte 66, and no further north than the gravel pit on 344).
- Keep new businesses in the main street area only. That will help keep the traffic down on the side streets where we enjoy the quieter and slower activities. Small businesses only to help our locals make a living close to home.
- Keep the small-town family style atmosphere.
- limit commercial entities to 344 & route 66 with folksy/country/rural business building facades and light fixtures and plant native trees along roads and sidewalks (route 66 needs paved walking path/sidewalks)...maybe even a trolley that goes along 344 & route 66 with stops at businesses.
- Limited business growth and development. Since we already have a waste water system, business growth should be centered near its access only. Not used for residential waste. Also Edgewood should focus on small town and not try to be a utility manager. Going after Epcor is bad financial decision and will hurt Edgewood.
- People move here to get away from all the crime that bigger businesses bring. Keep Edgewood small.
- shopping is such a hodge podge that new businesses cannot survive. What is the town doing for new businesses for them to survive the first year? No centralized shopping district. But then small at home business at risk even if zoned because 1 person's opinion rules. There is no charm. No character. No town flavor. Don't need an industrial park that will sit empty like Moriarty but we need clean business w/benefits that allow people to live and work here, not albuquerque. This means faster internet. Get rid of the weeds!!! it's a mess.
- Small businesses do not do well in this town. They are unable to make it long term with high rent and wages. I think the town as a whole needs to be maintained, not just the business areas. Industrial parks are for larger community. The roads are not designed for this. Semi trucks are difficult to maneuver in this town, 344 bridge is not wide enough or intersections.
- Small town environment. It doesn't need to be an extension of Albuquerque. That's why we all live out here. Unfortunately certain town council members think it should grow, probably for monetary reasons and not putting the community first. It seems like a lot of close door meetings so they get their way. Just like my property, and my neighbors being illegally pulled into the Annex! They can't even produce the minutes In the meeting that supposedly took place!
- The business park should be located near the second (east) Edgewood exit. We really need some good restaurants.

- TOE needs to redevelop zoning areas and open them up to commercial. Small businesses such as Dr. Dixon's vet business should be allowed as long as it does not impinge on neighbor's quality of living. Rents are much too high for small businesses to thrive here - so many have gone due to this: DoReMi, Pretty Peyote, Rustic Nut, Country Critters. I see a few businesses struggling and know they won't last.
- Tough question, however I believe town planning should be most interested in those that can assure the growth of jobs in our area as opposed to having to go to town for work. Currently, there is only minimal work opportunity, especially for young people and retired folks. Incentives of various sorts are a consideration to attract all sorts of businesses. Also, BE CREATIVE ! Example: An auto parts store one across from the other is NOT creative of effective planning. Lets attract brewpubs, small restaurants, tech and fabrication potential, resort developments, etc. !
- We have a very limited water source. This should be strongly considered for any additional development. Increased traffic should also be a factor when considering a new business. Alternative energy businesses and development should be encouraged
- We have enough chains. Small businesses only from now on. Inviting technology/light industrial is a slippery slope of YAY we have 200 jobs, and oh [expletive] 300 have just been laid off. Look at Albuquerque... Look at Moriarty with the call center, and ultimately Google Building that is costing them a whole lot of money and they cannot find a resident. The current development is too wide spread for casual shopping. I am more likely to have my computer repaired, jewelry shop/repair, buy an ice cream, etc if I don't have to drive from one place to another. If I haven't been able to look through the window and judge whether I want to go in, I am certainly NOT going to make a special stop to see if I feel comfortable doing business with them. Sadly the willy nilly spread of the current layout of Edgewood businesses is really a difficult obstacle in promoting and keeping new businesses. Look at Subway, I have been there once because it is a quagmire to get to it. I have never visited the Verizon store because of the same thing. Never went to the ice cream shop because it is a 4 mile drive to get there and not near anything else I need. Edgewood needs to develop the area around the Ford dealer/post office / Pizza Barn so people can WALK around, socialize, and impulse shop while going to dinner, getting their car worked on, etc.
- We need jobs! We need light industry to create jobs. Can't grow w/o local jobs!
- We need more employers who provide full time employment.
- We need the town to be business friendly and promote business. We need more business which promotes more jobs for our residents
- While I enjoy mixed use in more urban areas, allowing commercial in residential IN Edgewood probably a bad idea unless highly regulated re: the type of allowed commercial. A good example would be Parker Nursery being a good neighbor to the surrounding homes on Church Street.
- Would certainly question light industry. Look at Moriarty and their vacant larger buildings. Some businesses lend themselves well to agricultural and non commercial locations. Neighborhood bullying should not condoned, I.e. Dr. Lane Dixon. Parking would not be a problem if the town had been designed more as a walkable Main Street.

Small businesses have limited chance of success without foot traffic, browsers. You have to drive specifically to their place of business.

Other

- Additional street lighting for crime prevention and also to encourage shopping after 5 pm in winter
- Get the infrastructure to attract the business.
- #31. I'm in a dual zoned area and if I were to put a shop up I'm afraid my neighbors wouldn't like the noise.
- Businesses in residential areas need to pay a proportional share of the upkeep of the roads they operate on. At the very least, they need to be properly registered and licensed so the town can access tax dollars for upkeep of publicly maintained roads. The current honor system is not sufficient.
- Buy the water system.
- [veterinary clinics should be allowed to operate out of residences (personal information redacted)]
- Edgewood looks dry, dusty and brown to people passing through, improving your landscaping standards and giving your commercial corridors would go a long way to improve the overall impression people get of the town.
- Eliminate HOA's Annex those HOA's not in the city
- I don't want to see Edgewood like Albuquerque is right now. That is what is unique about this little community. It's a hop skip and a fart to Abq if needed.
- I would need to know more about the vision of specific corridors.
- That is to much of an open ended question. There needs to be a game plan and a visual of what this town is to look like and become. Your questions are misleading and way to general for any intelligent response. Make a Vision board and present it in stages of foreseeable growth in 5- 10- 15 year Increments
- The free market should dictate, not Governmental interference in the free market.
- The town councils attempts to further develop Edgewood are entirely self serving with the goal of self enrichment through real estate.
- The town needs to do something about the trash from Walmart that blows all over behind it to the east down church street, it is completely out of hand at times and Walmart needs to fix it or be fined
- We don't the east side Rio Rancho
- Enough with development. Edgewood should stay rural.

SECTION 6 | ENVIRONMENT

General Comments (optional)

Drainage

- A lot of proper drainage has been fixed in recent years by the entrance of the Wal Mart store, larger culverts in the flood zones, and drainage off the Main Highways---There is still a need for drainage improvement on the less maintained dirt roads
- Cedar Grove, yes. But I haven't seen drainage problems in Edgewood after big storms.
- Dinkle routinely floods around sunset and bachelor trail. Could work a little more hand in hand with Santa Fe county to resolve issues.
- Edgewood needs a working sewer to handle public and commercial entities and potential higher density housing areas. It does not need sewer for existing residences which are just fine on the private septic systems already in place. Water and politics absolutely do not mix and the existing system should remain in place as it works well.
- I cannot think of a time where drainage and run-off was a problem in Edgewood, even after what some might consider a major weather event. We have good gradient and slope, thus good water pathways, at least from what I've seen in the town. I will say however; our weather as a whole is beginning to become more intense, so further considerations for this may become necessary over time.
- I do not have a drainage issue in my area, but I don't know about other areas.
- I have not noticed any drainage problems, but that doesn't mean there are none.
- I have not seen flooding
- I like the drainage problems:) Living in the country is the best
- I think drainage is more of a problem in ABQ, but anything that would help with this in Edgewood is great. One of the main problems is all the mud that appears when the rain washes the rocks away. People still drive small cars which aren't made to handle these slick conditions.
- More and deeper, gravel or rock-lined drainage ditches and/or more culverts along certain roads would help.
- New Housing put in on properly ditched & culverted, paved roads would solve the problem of flooding. Next: as well, begin to take on residential run-off water responsibility enforcement on township- maintained roads. Already-built areas on bladed roads w/o proper flooding control will have to be addressed by those developments suing the developer...getting these developers to go back & repair their cheap-bladed subdivisions, of which several exist within the Township, especially out on the plains.
- Not in my area but in others.
- Please fix the storm drainage problem of the river that rapidly flows through my property. It intentionally comes from a large culvert under the Interstate, through 4 town provided culverts under Range Rd and through 5 or 6 private properties before moving on through more town provided culverts under Capital Rd. Anyone disposing of other material waste in this manner would be fined and required to remedy the

situation. Water is worse than garbage because it does cause damage that can't be just picked up.

- Preserving the local views is good on many levels. Keep them ridge-lines ! Eventually , Edgewood will have to own the water system, just to keep it from losing water rights for the citizens (a private company can sell the water rights out from under us). Not a priority, but needs to be in the long-term plans. Better control over water quality and such. Storm drainage after big storms depends on where you live in the longest town in New Mexico. There is a puddle (sometimes pond) that develops north of the Skate Park after decent rains and can take days to soak in or run off. It did not puddle up before, but both the Town & Epcor Water were doing work in that area this spring. Someone neglected to re-install the drainage that was there before. Now we get a puddle on Cactus Street that covers half the road or more after a rain.
- Question 38 doesn't have a strongly disagree only two strongly agrees. I would have pushed the strongly disagree if it was available.
- Storm drainage and damage to roads is particularly difficult on those roads the town is unable to accept for public maintenance. Neighborhoods have no recourse except to repair and maintain them themselves and where covenants are in place, deal with non compliant neighbors alone.
- Storms are fairly rare. Better to use money on improving existing roads. Leave dirt roads unpaved and maintain with heavy equipment--don't pave over them. They're more expensive to maintain that way.
- Subdivisions need to be planned for periods of intense water and snow run off. This has been a long term school bus issue.
- Water always wins! Work with it, don't fight it.

Infrastructure

- Highway 344 is dangerous and needs to be addressed with the state- slower speed limit and widened with proper shoulders. 217/mountain valley needs a stoplight.
- I would like to see the town continue to find ways to fund infrastructure, and encourage growth that enhances a rural/semi-rural lifestyle.
- You cannot have growth without putting in the proper infrastructure to sustain it!

Other

- Allowing the gravel pit on 344 was in my opinion a blight on an otherwise lovely area.
- Just do not block our wonderful views.
- Land sales should be limited to a minimum parcel size. No residents want to see subdivisions of 100 houses on 30 acres built, with the exception of those council members looking to profit on real estate.
- please, please keep beautiful skies and land for all to enjoy...I moved from a big city and traffic and smog were depressing and ugly...love my South Mountain and Sandia Mountains views...limit development to keep fields and open space for the diversity of flora & fauna.

- Small town environment. It doesn't need to be an extension of Albuquerque. That's why we all live out here. Unfortunately certain town council members think it should grow, probably for monetary reasons and not putting the community first. It seems like a lot of close door meetings so they get their way. Just like my property, and my neighbors being illegally pulled into the Anex! They can't even produce the minutes In the meeting that supposedly took place!
- Snow removal and ice management are an issue
- What is logical for a town this size? Can we count on our population growing?
- With the lack of paved roads, erosion is a huge issue out here. Can't say it enough - pave the roadways!

Views

- Question 36 where might you be talking
- The Town needs the water to attract business. Unless the Town wants to buy the ridgelines, how can they preserve it? Property owners will do what they want with their property.
- The view and scenic features. Isn't that why many moved out here? Why should a few high rollers ruin it for everyone. We love in mountainous area and water is always a problem. And water always wins. Allow the flow but line culverts with rip wrap or solid planned vegetation. Work on washed areas along 66 west of Edgewood. Looks like hell and has for years.

Water

- #37; Hope this isn't your way to 'take a vote' and snag the uninformed who may say 'yes'.
- A municipal water system has its pros and cons. I wish the town would do more to help residents get educated in this issue in a transparent way.
- A small town like Edgewood has no business being in the water business. And that speaking from experience
- A town-owned water system seems problematic considering the poor water quality.
- A water softener solution is needed.
- Again, creating a green system for water would be ideal so we are no contributing to the drought problem.
- Better water for drinking.
- Buy the water system.
- Definitely keep buildings low, and preserve the beautiful vegetation and scenic features of the foothills. The current water system sucks, the other co-ops suck. I use to think Alamogordo NM had bad water but I was oh so wrong, I have never seen such hard water! I feel bad for my friends who can't use their fridge ice makers, the dishwashers are more like glass froster, and they go through water softeners like tick tacks. Luckily I have my own well with decent water.
- do not buy EPCOR
- Do NOT take over EPCOR water through eminent domain!

- Do not try to incorporate Epcor water into town.
- Do not want the city to take over any utilities.
- Drainage in some areas, new development in the past and future should have mandated drainage (culverts, drainage areas). Edgewood should stay out of any business management, it should work with any area business to enhance the business (jobs, community involvement) and Edgewood as a community. Any attempt to go after a business and run it by the government is a financial burden, power grab that all citizens will pay for.
- During the meeting on Edgewood taking over EPCOR water, even the issue of taking over EPCOR water was very poorly done. There were no provisions for those who now have EPCOR water and do not live within Edgewood.
- Edgewood does not need the government to provide water! We can dig our own wells, install our own tanks, or use a cooperative for water and other utilities. No more government, no more taxes and fees, no more dependency!
- Edgewood needs a water system that includes all of it's residents, but that doesn't necessarily mean that we need to buy Epcor - at least not now, perfect the actually water plan 1st with approvals.
- Edgewood needs an improved water system. The water here is disgusting
- Edgewood needs the water system. It needs to control that aspect for future planning and growth.
- Edgewood needs to develop its own water system
- edgewood should not be involved in ownership of utilities unless it is in a financial and resource stable position. this should not impact the taxpayer base.
- Edgewood should not buy Epcor
- Edgewood should not take over Epcor Water through use of eminent domain.
- Edgewood should own its own water system and take advantage of all the state and federal money available to small towns to improve the system and make it an asset in our economic development toolbox.
- Edgewood SHOULD own it's own water system so that the Town can use it's unique status to access Federal and State funding and develop a truly first rate water system!
- Edgewood should own it's water system so that it can truly plan for and control it's own destiny. Any excess revenue beyond normal operating and maintenance costs should be plowed back into improving the water system instead of being sent overseas to foreign muti-national corporations.
- Edgewood water is undrinkable and tastes horrific. Yes, it is an issue but re-inventing the wheel is something we cannot afford to do. It is NOT about some peoples personal agendas and egos. It is about supplying clean drinkable water to the citizens, not lining someone's pockets and paychecks. Get it together as it is embarrassing to see all the bickering like school kids!! How about maybe making a deal with Entranosa and be done with it, or work with who we have but figure a way to purify the water so it is drinkable. This one thing keeps egg on our face and will keep good larger businesses away. FIX IT! Again, not about anyone's ego, leave that at the door!
- Epcor seems to do OK

- EPCOR water is horrid, cant even drink it without gagging, please help with this
- Epcore water is disgusting, it effects my son daily. We need our own better water system please!!
- Get a company who knows how to fix it and get them to to fix it
- Having a water system that is run by a municipality allows the town to develop, improve and grow the system to fit the demand as it grows. Federal government grants can assist in this matter with out much impact to the customer/community as where a private company would pass the cost onto the consumer.
- I agree with development of a water system IF the water potability is improved
- I am 100% against the Town of Edgewood taking over Epcor Water Company via condemnation or in any other manner.
- I do not have enough info yet to comment on #37
- i do not trust edgewood to properly manage a water system. the history of the sewer plant tells me all I need in that regard.
- I feel, with proper planning, we could divert flood waters into holding reservoirs and use it to enhance the current water table.
- I'd love to see BETTER DRINKABLE water in Edgewood. NOT the hard water that is currently out here. Drill the well deep enough where the water coming into your home DOES NOT destroy your pipes and appliances!!!
- If Edgewood chooses to operate its own water system, it should be done so on a comprehensive basis, perhaps using grants or industrial development/industrial bond financing.
- If Edgewood is going to develop it's own water system, it needs to be for all Edgewood residents, using tax dollars and money to develop a water system and only serve a few people is unfair to all tax payers, as much as the city is trying to tell everyone that the tax dollars for the system will only come from the people who are receiving the services, that is not true. The lawyers and other fees needed to take over are from a tax pool from all tax payers, the workers will be paid funds from tax pools for all workers, the whole idea of a separate funding schedule for this will ultimately be the entire cities bill. If the city insists on moving forward with this, they need to Connect everyone in city limits to it, and sewer, because it over reached when it incorporated areas that the only service it provides it police, Which I would have preferred Sheriffs department anyway.
- Improve water quality.
- Paving roads and putting in the proper drainage system to accompany the roads would greatly help with the drainage problems many neighborhoods face here. The water here is undrinkable - it's horrid and something should be done. We pay \$85 a month for a family of three and we can't even drink the water - we must buy 5 gallon bottles at Walmart! It's unhealthy per our physicians. No high rises to obstruct the panoramic views.
- Question 37 regarding whether or not Edgewood needs to develop its own water system amused me. Perhaps the politicians could note that “developing” your own water system is NOT the same as stealing an existing water system via eminent domain.

- Re: Epcor Water. Do not ill-advisedly fix what is NOT broken thinking that presumed additional funds resulting from an expensive takeover attempt, successful or otherwise, will repair a poorly designed and operated current sewage treatment plant. Concentrate on repairing relations with Moriarty to allow a connection with ITS sewage treatment plant. Cooperation will help build Edgewood and make it a desirable place to live and operate a business.
- Some upgraded drainage would be good. The current is working ok. the EPCOR company is spending a great deal of their own to keep Edgewood updated. We should appreciate it and let them continue.
- The current privately run water system seem to be working fine. I don't understand why the town would want to get involved. Of course this could change in the future. A central water treatment plant, reducing the amount of hard water would be great.
- The current water system is adequate. However, the quality of the water should be greatly improved.
- The current water system, owned by EPCOR, seems from all accounts to be adequate, well maintained and financially viable. There is no need for the City of Edgewood to own or try to operate a city-wide water system. And assuming the huge debt to acquire one, at this time, seems a financial gamble, at best.
- The profits coming from the water company should remain within the town, not going out of the area.
- The recent takeover attempt is not advantageous for the residents of Edgewood. The legal costs would increase our rates tremendously, this has been a proven fact in other towns in similar situations.
- Town need to stay out of the water business. the company that operates now in Edgewood is great
- Towns develop through a strong mission, a viable plan and dedicated volunteers. A water system and better drainage should be planned for, and requirements on developers (both residential and commercial) I'm posed as developments are improved. First, potential residents, developers and business have to be convinced that there's something good happening in the area that is worth their investment.
- Unless the town can fix the hard water problem without raising costs to customers leave it th hell alone
- Water conservation, optimized usage, and focus on sustainability, should always remain at the top of the list of considerations, when we examine community water in the Southwestern United States. Always.
- Water supplied by Epcor is horrible and can not be cleaned enough to remove the after tastes to be able to drink. Edgewood should stay far away from that and not take on the expense of the horrible system.
- Water system has been sold several times and each time the cost of water has gone up. Cost of water is too high.
- Water systems should only be developed if they make economic sense. I don't see how it could make any sense at this point.

- we can't afford for the town to take on its own water system, it requires too much funding, ie, maintenance, management, etc. The current water company is doing everything we need
- We do not have the tax base to support a water system. The residents can't take on that burden. Residential Property Tax is too high as it is.
- We have several water companies. I don't want government running any of my utilities. Sadly, government should stick to government. We don't need more things screwed up.
- We need to provide whatever support is needed for our current water system instead of starting over from scratch. Our town cannot afford that type of project and it is really unnecessary. The water isn't great-tasting, but we do have several options conveniently available to all residents.

SECTION 7 | RESPONDENT INFORMATION

Question 41: "Where do you work?"

(Below are write-in responses from the "Other" option)

- Other
- ABQ, until I retire!
- Airline pilot
- All of the Above
- All of the East Mountain and Estancia Valley area, along with some Albuquerque
- All over the State
- All over the state.
- Bernalillo
- Cedar Grove
- Cedar Grove. 8 miles north of I-40 off NM 344
- Currently not working, but have owned two businesses in Edgewood since its incorporation.
- Currently retired but used to work in and Tramway. Many of my coworkers were also long time East Mountain residents and would love to work in our community rather than drive through the canyon everyday.
- Home Based Business in Edgewood
- Home based business with national and local reach
- Home based business, Independent sales rep. Semi retired
- Home based business.
- Home business
- Home office- requires travel
- homebased business
- I currently live in Nevada I plan to move back home in next 5-10 yrs. I always worked in Albuquerque.
- I have a home office on the county border between Santa Fe and Torrance county and most of my business comes from Edgewood area. I also have an office in Albuquerque
- I live less than a mile south of Edgewood limits. Those living in this area are not served by Edgewood. Why make them pay for Edgewood's water problem? That is unconscionable!
- I own a small service based business that serves all of the East Mtn area.
- I work all over the area as an independent business.
- I work at home but also work in Abq once a week.
- I work from home most of the time but travel into Albuquerque 2-3 times a week for meetings
- I work from home.
- I work in ABQ, my husband works in Mountainair.
- I work remotely from home
- I'm retired.

- Just outside the town of Edgewood by a few hundred feet.
- Los Alamos
- Los Alamos, NM.
- mainly work from home but own a business in Edgewood
- MESD school district
- my home
- My husband does, I am a mom
- My work schedule varies between Town of Edgewood and Moriarty
- Now retired, did work in ABQ.
- off of frost rd
- online, based in Edgewood
- Previously
- remotely for national company
- Retired
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- Retired
- Retired but worked in ABQ for decades. And I want to stay outside Edgewood. Don't want anymore rules, licenses, fees, taxes.
- Retired now, but I worked in Albuquerque when I worked.
- Retired.
- Retired. I live in Santa Fe County surrounded by Edgewood off of Hill Ranch Road West on SF Hwy 12
- Retired. Used to work at UNM.
- santa fe
- Small town environment. It doesn't need to be an extension of Albuquerque. That's why we all live out here. Unfortunately certain town council members think it should

grow, probably for monetary reasons and not putting the community first. It seems like a lot of close door meetings so they get their way. Just like my property, and my neighbors being illegally pulled into the Anex! They can't even produce the minutes In the meeting that supposedly took place!

- Those responsible for generating this Survey Monkey Survey should have known that Mac users whose browser is Safari, CANNOT even BEGIN the Survey. A simple advisory to use FireFox should have been provided BEFORE the Survey was begun - an example of careless planning and resulting ineffective communication. Do not take my word for it; ask a KNOWLEDGEABLE IT person! A public acknowledgement of this error should be made at the next Council Meeting so that disenfranchised people thus affected can have an opportunity to express their input as the Town intended.
- Truck driver
- Truck Driver based out of Phoenix, Az
- US ARMY
- Used to work in town (Sandia Labs). It was always so nice to be able to "run away from the insanity that is Albuquerque" at the end of each day, and escape to our little mountain village. The need to maintain this fond perception is paramount in my mind.
- We work in ABQ, Tijeras and Edgewood.
- Work for an airline based in phoenix, AZ
- work out of my home all over santa fe, bernalillo and sandoval counties
- Worked in Edgewood until I retired.



Photo courtesy of Teresa Farley.



RESOLUTION NO. 2020-03

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN FOR THE TOWN OF EDGEWOOD AND APPROVING THE PLAN FOR PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION.

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Land Use Plan for the Town of Edgewood has been completed following an extensive planning process with the Planning and Zoning Commission, and various members of the community working as a steering committee, and prepared by the staff of the Mid-Region Council of Governments (MRCOG) under a Professional Services Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Goals and Objectives for the Town of Edgewood Comprehensive Plan were adopted on February 20, 2019, by the Governing Body to define the Town's vision and suggest a means to achieve that vision; and

WHEREAS, Action Plan Strategies from the Town of Edgewood Comprehensive Plan were adopted June 19, 2019, by the Governing Body to identify the key proposed strategies, and potential policy directives for the Town; and

WHEREAS, a public information and citizen input process was carried out to ensure general public acceptance of the Town of Edgewood Comprehensive Land Use Plan; and

WHEREAS, all the required components of the Town of Edgewood Comprehensive Land Use Plan have been reviewed for completeness and factual information in a comprehensive document accessible to the citizens of Edgewood; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Edgewood Comprehensive Land Use Plan will provide guidance for establishing policy and implementation strategies for future development in the Town, for providing framework for special projects and programs for the Town, and for promoting a consistency with other plans at local, regional, state and federal levels.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body does hereby adopt the Town of Edgewood Comprehensive Land Use Plan, attached and made a part of this Resolution, and approves such Plan for general public distribution.

PASSED, ADOPTED, and APPROVED this 11th day of January 2020, by the Governing Body of the Town of Edgewood, New Mexico.

John Bassett, Mayor

ATTEST:

Juan Torres, Clerk-Treasurer