

Workshop for Hill Country Commissioners
November 16, 2018
Old Blanco County Courthouse
300 Main Street, Blanco, TX

AGENDA

- 1:00 **Sign-in**
- 1:15 **Welcome and opening remarks**
- 1:30 **Counties and Growth:** Roel Lopez of the Texas A&M Natural Resource Institute will provide a look at the growth trends in the region and their impact on land use, water resources, and fiscal issues.
- 2:20 **BREAK**
- 2:30 **Commissioners' Discussion:** A conversation about how counties can effectively address growth in unincorporated areas. Bill Barker, transportation planner and professor at UTSA, will be available to advise on transportation issues.
- What are the challenges in your county that you feel are difficult to address effectively under your current authority?
 - What changes could be made at state agencies that would help address growth-related issues in your county?
 - What tools would you like to have in your toolbox to address growth-related challenges?
 - Would the County need significant additional funds to employ those tools?
- 4:00 **Wrap up and next steps**
- 4:30 **Adjourn to happy hour**

