

To my CAMPO Friends,

After much consideration, I have notified Senator Watson today of my intent to end my 15 years of service as the Executive Director of CAMPO. I expect my resignation to be accepted effective January 15, 2008. I am giving this advance notice so that the Board will have enough time to ensure a successful transition to a new Executive Director. I will offer any assistance I can toward a smooth transition.

It is time for me to take on new opportunities in Central Texas that use my education and my 30 years of experience at the local and regional level in land use and environmental planning, in addition to my transportation planning experience, for which I have been known most recently.

I am very proud of the 15-member CAMPO staff that we have established, and the excellent experience, capabilities and commitment they bring to their work. As you know, in the last 15 years we have produced three long range transportation plans for public review and comment, and adoption by the ATS/CAMPO Board. The CAMPO area has grown to encompass the full counties of Williamson, Travis and Hays, and we are cooperating with planning efforts underway in Bastrop and Caldwell counties as well. We have established a forecasting and transportation analysis work program that has allowed the Board and the public to monitor the performance and impacts of the entire transportation system and to look ahead to be ready for the challenges coming in the future. We have begun to deal with shortages in transportation funding.

Thank you all for your friendship and the good times - there were lot of good times, right? (and certainly some tough problems).

I will remain in Central Texas and continue to try to be part of the solution. See you around.

Thanks,  
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