

**Edinboro Borough/Franklin Township/Washington Township Area
Citizens' Survey**

Survey Responses—Franklin Township only

241 Responses of 566 mailed = 42.58% response rate. Each question shows percent of responses for that question and percentage for each possible answer.

Where do you live?

Edinboro Borough

Franklin Township 100% = 241 of 566

Washington Township

We would like to begin by asking how you feel about the Edinboro/Franklin/Washington Area (Area) as a place to live. Do you consider it? 97.51%

Very Desirable 66%

Somewhat Desirable 31%

Somewhat Undesirable 2%

Very Undesirable 1%

How great a problem do you feel each of the following is in this area? Please check *only one* choice for each issue (1 severe problem to 3 little/no problem).

Issue	Rank %		
	1	2	3
Highway congestion 98.34%	7	27	65
Stream pollution 98.34%	5	38	57
The health of Edinboro Lake 96.27%	16	60	25
Deteriorated housing 97.51%	11	50	39
Young people leaving 96.27%	28	48	24
Loss of agricultural land to development 98.76%	46	41	13
Tax-exempt real estate 94.61%	19	47	34
Not enough living-wage new jobs 97.51%	57	31	13

General: Comprehensive plans have a horizon of ten years and through policy statements, they are increasingly important relative to State programs and land use ordinances (zoning, etc.). Your priorities are important. Following is a series of issues. Please check *only one* choice for *each* issue (1 highest importance to 3 little/no importance).

Issue	Rank%		
	1	2	3
Prepare long-range plans to guide future growth 97.51%	56	35	9
Require high-quality development (improved roads, landscaping, buffer areas, etc.) 97.93%	56	29	15
Offer informational sessions on community development issues 97.10%	33	48	19

Zoning: The zoning ordinance controls land use in the community. Please check *only one* choice for *each* issue (1 highest importance to 3 little/no importance).

Issue	Rank%		
	1	2	3
Increase high-density residential areas 95.85%	6	35	60
Increase commercial districts 97.10%	16	41	43
Increase industrial districts 96.27%	16	37	47
Preserve low-density residential and farm areas 98.76	76	19	4
Keep current zoning patterns 95.44%	45	44	10

Land Development: The development of raw land into subdivisions and larger developments on a single parcel fall under the subdivision and land development ordinance. Please check *only one* choice for *each* issue (1 highest to 3 little/no importance).

Issue	Rank%		
	1	2	3
Keep existing subdivision practices 89.21%	35	48	17
Strengthen development regulations, such as design standards 92.95%	29	40	31
Improve street standards 93.36%	52	30	18
Encourage/require sidewalks in high density areas 92.95%	30	27	43
Large lot (1 acre plus) residential developments should be encouraged 95.02%	57	24	20
Smaller lots (under 1 acre) with water and sewer services are needed 90.46%	14	22	65

Note: Read both questions below.

Do you believe commercial or industrial development on a single lot needs strong site design regulations? 92.12% Yes 77% No 23%

If such developments are specially regulated, at what size should this start? (Please check *only one*.) 88.38%

- Combined parking and building area 1/2 acre in size 14%
- Combined parking and building area 1/2 acre to 4 acres 47%
- Combined parking and building area over 4 acres 39%

Please check *only one* choice for *each* issue (1 highest to 3 little/no importance) for the following:

Issue	Rank%		
	1	2	3
New developments should be required to set aside permanent open space*95.44%	64	22	13
Farmland preservation should be a regional goal. 95.85%	76	17	7

*This open space could be trails, wooded areas, meadows, a greenway, or a similar feature permanently set aside. Open space can be public or private.

Natural Resources and Environment: Please check *only one* choice for *each* issue (1 highest to 3 little/no importance) for the following:

Issue	Rank%		
	1	2	3
Woodland, open space preservation should be a regional goal 95.44%	77	19	4
Preserve and enhance Edinboro Lake and its watershed 94.61%	70	22	8

Economic Development: Commercial and industrial developments are usually good for the tax base. They provide new jobs. They can also bring traffic congestion, bright lights, and other negatives. Please think about all these issues when your respond.

General:

Should the attraction of new businesses, of all kinds, be a priority? Yes 50% No 50%

Industrial/Manufacturing: In general, I support: 98.34%

- Small light manufacturing (under 50 employees) 1=30% 1 and 2=16%
- Light manufacturing of any size 2=18% 1 and 3=0%
- Heavy manufacturing with strict performance standards 3=5% 2 and 3=1%
- None of the above 4=19% 1, 2 and 3=10%

Where should development be focused? Check all locations that you agree with. 90.87%

In Edinboro	40%
Along Route 99 north of Edinboro	48%
At or near the I-79/Route 6N Interchange	68%
At Route 98 and Old State Road	16%
In McLane Village	3%
South of Edinboro Borough	16%

All the local governments involved can apply for grant funds for a variety of activities. What do you think is important? Please check *each* line as appropriate.

Activity	Very Important%	Somewhat Important%	Not Important%
Rehabilitating owner-occupied housing 92.125	23	48	28
Rehabilitating rental housing 92.53%	17	45	39
Assisting residents in developing small businesses 92.95%	40	42	18
Extending utilities such as water and sewer 92.95%	25	31	44
Expanding recreational opportunities for residents 92.95%	29	40	31
Improving traffic congestion 92.95%	33	36	31
Protecting open space from development 92.95%%	63	28	9
Providing sites to attract industry and commercial 91.29%	35	35	30
Property maintenance codes in deteriorating areas 93.78%	40	38	22
Assist existing business/business areas 92.53%	40	47	13

What specifically would most concern you about new development? Please check *each* line as appropriate.

Activity	Greatly Concerned%	Somewhat Concerned%	Not Concerned%
Large-scale industry 93.78%	57	27	15
Large-scale retail 92.95%	38	40	22
Apartment developments 92.95%	38	40	22
Mobile home parks 93.36%	60	26	14
Traffic safety 93.78%	52	38	11
Traffic congestion 93.78%	47	36	17
Stormwater runoff 91.70%	32	46	23
Sewage management 92.12%	36	41	23
Loss of rural character 94.19%	75	16	9
Quality of new roads 92.53%	62	30	8
Noise pollution 93.36%	48	36	15
Light pollution 93.36%	42	40	18
Parking 91.29%	18	41	41

Future Development

Traffic and Transportation: Which roads or intersections should be widened or improved? Please check *only one* choice for *each* issue (1 highest to 3 little/no importance).

Issue	Rank		
	1	2	3
6N and Route 99 in Edinboro 94.19%	47	26	27
Route 99 and Old State Road 93.36%	22	32	46
The I-79, Route 6N area 92.53%	26	30	44
Route 98 and Old State Road 92.12	18	28	55
Angling Road and 6N 91.70 %	40	30	29
Crane Road and Route 98 93.36%	18	29	52
Route 99 south of Edinboro 90.87%	4	25	71
New Interchange I-79 and Old State Road 90.46%	27	18	55
6N and Fry Road 93.36%	52	26	22

Any other traffic concerns, please list:

See Appendix A

In general, do you support or oppose the consolidation/merger of the following? Please check your opinion for each issue.

	Support (1)%	Oppose (2)%	Unsure (3)%
Edinboro, Franklin and Washington – Local Governments 96.68%	21	54	25
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Franklin and Washington – Local Governments 96.68%	40	33	27

In general, do you support the following? Please check your opinion for each issue.

	Support (1)%	Oppose (2)%	Unsure (3)%
Joint recreation authority 95.02%	54	15	31
Joint fire and ambulance services 97.10%	56	22	22
Joint police services 96.68%	53	26	21
Joint trash and recycling services 96.27%	58	20	22
Edinboro/Washington/Franklin Public Utilities (Water and Sewer) 97.10%	22	55	23
Edinboro/Washington/ Franklin Public Works (Road and Street) 96.27%	46	31	23
Inter-municipal agreements for services 95.44%	43	20	36

If the joint comprehensive plan could solve any one issue, what should it be?

See Appendix B

**Thank you for participating in this survey.
Please return the survey in the stamped, self-addressed envelope.**

Please use this space for any additional comments or concerns.

See Appendix C

Appendix A

Any other traffic concerns, please list:

1. Need light and road widen at 6N & Fry	Where should development be focused - none of the above. East of Edinboro along 6N?
2. Fry Road north of Crane needs speed limits lowered with signs	Crane Road - Route 98 intersection is dangerous and needs a blinker light; speeding cars on Route 98 should be patrolled better! Crane Road - Route 98 intersection is dangerous and needs a blinker light; speeding cars on Route 98 should be patrolled better!
3. Finish blacktopping Fry north of Old State	Industrial trucks in or through residential areas.
Handicapped Friendly	Loud trucks
Paving of Eureka, Silverthorn & Fry Roads	Route 6N - Wal-Mart very dangerous intersection!!
Slow traffic on Rt. 98 between 6N and Fairview. Maybe also add "stop sign ahead" signs on busy roads like Old State.	More development overall so this area has more to offer. Once things develop in these areas then traffic and roads need to be considered. I love Wal-Mart but Rt. 6N traffic on and off the roads is a real safety issue.
Edinboro Post Office intersection	Turning light at Rt.6N and Rt. 99 needs to allow more than 3 cars during peak traffic times--(turning from Rt. 99 to west Rt. 6N).
Rt 99 is very dangerous with speeding and unsafe passing.	Franklin Township is 20 years behind everyone else in getting rid of the dirt roads. They need a plan to pave all the roads over a period of time.
Institute Jake Brake law for residential areas. Enforce speed laws on rural roads. Kids should not be running roads with ATV's. Snowmobiles should not use roads in winter.	Need traffic light on the west side of I-79 at Rt. 6N so people will stop pulling out from I-79 in front of traffic on Rt. 6N.
6N & 99--too congested	General McLane High School traffic on Rt. 99 at start and end of school day.
Widen and improve Mohawk. Why do we still have dirt roads that are not oiled or tar and chipped	Traffic patterns and flow when college is in session or soccer tournaments are in town.
Old State and Eureka--cars going north on Eureka need a mirror to see cars going east on Old State	Some of the dirt roads need better care/or blacktop.
Street lights at main intersections--Old State and 99, Crane and 99, 6N and Fry. Street identification and main destination guide signs.	More paving of Township roads.
On 6N ay Washington Towne Blvd, X-out the inside lane going east on 6N--only one lane should go east	Speeding on back roads - Fry Rd. to McKean Twp.
speed limit on Crane Rd and signs for tractor and farm use	Lower speed limit on Crane Road
6N & Rt. 98. Wal-Mart intersection heading east--2 lanes to one quickly causes problem	Speed 45 mph too fast on posted roads, and by law 55 mph on unposted roads way to fast.
On Rt 6N & 98 intersection, motorists mistake strobe red traffic light as a 4-way stop. (They stop and go on a red light)	I-79 and Rt. 6N going east - signs that designate one lane only going east down the hill.
Rt 6N does not adequately handle traffic particularly eastbound from I-79. Perhaps a light at Angling Rd could alleviate some congestion.	Old State Road should be widened and plowed! Fry Road and Old State Road - too many accidents. Hill on Old State Road should be leveled to make it easier to see.
Old State and Fry	I prefer to maintain the rural un-paved roads of our area - increased traffic would increase deterioration and road dust issues.
Old State and Crane intersection along Rt. 98 are both dangerous intersection. Old State and 98 is the worst.	On Eureka Road the Hunt and Saddle Club park on the road and cross the road on horses from one event to another and have no respect for the people in cars are the ones paying the taxes on the road. They are the most inconsiderate people. We have to sit and wait for them.
Vehicle are constantly speeding on Crane Rd. west of 98--request PSP speed enforcement. Silverthorn between Crane and 6N needs paved to support the Wal-Mart traffic taking that road for a shortcut.	Need lighting/sign at Crane Road and Rt. 99. Rt. 98 surface, Old State Road surface and berms, roadside mowing/intersection visibility. Concerned with numerous fatalities in recent years.
The roads in Franklin Township should be paved at the governments expense	No lights - Rt. 99 and Old State Road.
driving too fast for dirt road (Fry Road), dusty less visibility. Consolidation/merger only if roads are better.	Route 99 and Old State Road - no lights.
Light at the intersection of 6N & Fry Road. Lack of sufficient plowing by the State across Old State Road.	Old State Road in it's self is dangerous.
No development at Route 98 and Old State Road. Improve traffic congestion in Edinboro. Traffic and Transportation question - not a good idea for a new interchange at I-79 & Old State Road. Traffic light at Rt. 98 & Old State Road. Need blinker at Rt. 98 & Crane Road.	
Number of dirt roads. The majority of roads in Edinboro and Washington Township are paved.	

Traffic speed.
Pave Eureka Road south of Old State Road.
Roads need tar and chip especially high traffic roads (Francis). We live on Francis Road and feel it is unsafe with the gravel due to the high speed - high volume traffic. Also the dust is terrible and probably bad for our lungs. It actually is choking.
Route 6N and Fry Road should have left turning land at least and double lane from Rt. 6N and I-79 to Fry Road with red light. Dangerous intersection/Rt. 98 and Old State Road. North on Rt. 98 road is mounded and high for visibility from Old State Road.
Traffic light at Rt. 99 and Old State Road.
The light in front of Wal-Mart heading into Edinboro is ridiculous how two lanes merge immediately after the light.
Traffic light at Rt. 99 and Old State Road please. Old State Road is too narrow, especially in winter for school buses and other traffic - a hazard!
Poor roads in Franklin Township.
Old State Road from Rt. 99 to Rt. 98 too narrow and rough - broken sides of the road.
Fry Road and Old State Road. Eureka Road and Old State Road.
Speeding (exceeding 45mph) on secondary roads (dirt and paved). Speeding on Rt. 6N - unsafe passing Rt. 6N.
Which roads or intersections should be widened or improved - Eureka Road between West Stancliff and Old State Road.
The bottle neck in Rt. 6N at Wal-Mart light (going into Edinboro) is annoying -who's design was that!?!)
The Rt. 6N-Fry Road intersection is very dangerous - also is the merging land of Rt. 6N at Wal-Mart (form single lane - will this be corrected after fatalities occur?)
There is nothing wrong with most of these areas/intersections. People are just stupid. But intersections with lots of accidents should have warning signs like "dangerous intersection".
Rt. 6N through Edinboro (to both sides of Rt. 99) is too congested/slow moving - especially during events. The curve from Angling Road onto Fry Road is dangerous.
New Interchange at I-79 and Old State Road - definitely no! The roads are horrible! Dirt roads are in desperate need of paving or tar and chipping.
Route 99 and Crane Road.
Reroute Old State Road to cross Rt. 99 directly.
Rt. 98 should not be tar and chip. No major highway should. Rt. 98 and Old State Road - the rise in the roadway north of Old State Rd. should be cut down. Too many accidents at this intersection and deaths.
I-79 and Rt. 6N area - the two lanes going east are dangerous as they go into a single lane right away.
Getting PennDOT off of Eureka Road. They suck. We want Franklin Township guys back!
Speed limit enforcement request to State Police. Stop sign enforcement along Crane Road and intersecting roads - install 4-way stops.
Cars travel too fast on Rt. 98 and often pass at bad

locations.
Traffic on our dirt roads going too fast and dusting out everything around!
A traffic light at Fry Road and Rt. 6N. Fix Fry Road from Old State to McKean Township.
Where should development be focused - no too much traffic already. I didn't move here to have it become another Erie! The side roads are horribly maintained. One that are paved have no base put down first and they don't even last one winter. We shouldn't have to pay to have our road paved. We already pay taxes.
There should be no dirt roads in either townships. This is 2004 not 1804.
Light at Angling Road and Rt. 6N. Light at Angling Road and Rt. 6N.
Just because it is a dirt road the cars should still have to go slow. My children and I almost got hit by a car several times just getting the mail. Need speed limit signs posted.
Failure of people ignoring stop signs in rural areas - excessive speed in rural areas.
We need a traffic light at Old State and Rt. 98 and also at Crane Road and Rt. 98. And all intersections and roads need to be clear for full view of oncoming traffic.
Fry Road and Old State Road, Eureka Road and Old State Road, Eureka Road and West Stancliff Road.
With Wal-Mart - traffic has greatly increased. Fry Road/Rt. 6N and Angling Road/Rt. 6N are two areas where changes need to be made, very congested. Traffic lights are needed.
Franklin Township roads are terrible! Get grants to pave all roads.
Normal Street by laundromat and Rt. 6N in Edinboro. Traffic congestion is terrible during school year.
Allow left turns out of Mill Street onto Rt. 6N.
The ideal of using Franklin Township as a way to solve problems in Washington or Edinboro. Franklin Township needs to work with Elk Creek Township.
Pave Francis Road from Russell Standard to Gudgeonville Road.
Make sure roads are fixed on Township lines even if you pass it of to another Township.
Need better speed control on our roads.
We need a traffic light at Fry Road and Rt. 6N. Traffic can back up on a busy day.
Route 6N and Rt. 98 has a lot of accidents. Deep ditches and traffic on Eureka Road, increased use of Eureka Road. Excessive speed on Eureka Road between Crane Road and New Road.
I don't think the Rt. 98 bike-way trail is wide enough to be safe for people on bicycles
I-79 to Edinboro should hav a center turning land at least.
Red lights on 6N at Agway and Maple Drive
More enforcement of speed limits
Traffic light at Fry and 6N. Lower speed limit on Eureka Road
Tar & Chipping of all dirt roads, especially West Stancliff & Eureka Roads
Rt. 6N & Rt. 98. Rt. 6N east of Wal-Mart at merge point.

Appendix B

If the joint comprehensive plan could solve any one issue, what should it be?

police	Keep Franklin Township and Washington Township as farm/agricultural/bedroom communities.
Better roads in Franklin Township	No joint plan period. Keep Franklin Township rural - that is why I moved here.
do away with Franklin Township	Pubic works department (road & street)
Maintain low density development in Franklin Township	Franklin Township poor roads conditions.
better roads	Fire and ambulance.
Less government. Take Conneaut's lead, less is best	Roads.
Taxes, taxes, taxes	Better roads/would like roads tar and chipped.
road improvements	Bringing more jobs to area.
Requirement of all land uses in each municipality.	Roads - mud/dirt need to go.
Joint Fire and Ambulance	Dirt roads.
Traffic safety/public safety	Fire.
improving road maintenance	Sewer and water.
road quality	Decrease excessive taxes.
unlikely	Getting rid of dirt roads!
Snow plowing on state roads very undesirable	Water and sewer.
roads	The dangerous traffic pattern created by business developments (such as Rt. 6N and Wal-Mart and Fry Road).
Property Tax relief	I just want to live in a quiet, peaceful place with a lot of natural beauty/open woods/fields.
Keeping Franklin and Washington Township rural and peaceful	Road improvement.
Pavement of all roads	Jobs, industry.
Roads and traffic attracting business	Consolidate to provide better service and better utilize manpower and equipment.
Better roads! Safer roads! Smoother roads! Wider roads! Plowed roads! Reflectors on roads!	Condition of dirt roads in Franklin Township.
Blacktop all dirt roads!	Consolidate Franklin, Washington and Edinboro under one (1) authority for all services.
pave the dirt roads or at least maintain them better.	Roads.
Protection of rural character.	Stay separate.
Keep Franklin rural!	Maintenance of rural atmosphere through strictly controlled development.
Depends on benefits to all communities and the possibility of increased taxes, our taxes have already increased so much.	Not needed.
Better roads.	Recycling.
Road improvement	To preserve woodlands and farmland.
Better road upkeep in Franklin Township!	Safety.
Long term road plan - improvements! Not just scraping and adding gravel.	Better service.
Better roads - oil and pave. Consolidate road crews for improved productivity. Better results less cost! Eliminate duplication, eliminate waste.	Better roads.
Preserve farm areas.	Try to get more of the dirt roads paved and in better condition.
Development of the existing KOZ/LERTA zone in Franklin Township and Washington Township.	Poor road conditions.
Government "politics", government "hassling" that deters development.	Public works - road and street.
Road and street.	Maintaining rural atmosphere.
Condition of back roads/those highly traveled.	Loss of farmland.
Paving of Township Roads.	Better road conditions in winter.
Reduce taxes.	Road conditions!
Keeping the country - country yet developing commercial in some areas.	Regulations for septic systems so all residents have same requirements.

Water and sewer to outlying areas.
Sewer issues.
Road issues, money problems in Franklin Township.
Better services for all - Franklin Township roads.
Better road conditions especially in winter.
Substandard housing.
Poor road conditions, especially in Franklin Township.
Roads.
Creating more high quality jobs.
Overdevelopment of the area.
Public transportation/rail service between Erie/Edinboro (Pittsburgh in the future).
Continued growth and progress of area (in terms of population, finances/economics, development etc.).
Supervisors wasting tax dollars working on the other guy's problems.
Decrease taxes and fees.

Recycling.
I don't think it would solve anything only make things more difficult to manage
Keep rural lots at minimum of 2 acres
public utilities
Water and Sewer; Improved side roads
All roads should be tar/chipped or at a minimum oiled every spring.
water & sewer for everyone in Franklin/Edinboro/Washington twp
Reduce Gov cost
Leave it as it is. Thank you.
Roads
Road improvement - Silverthorn Road/Crane Road to Old State Road
Better snow removal on secondary roads (Crane Rd.).

Appendix C

Please use this space for any additional comments or concerns.

<p>The zoning requirement for 2 acres & 250 feet should not apply to old houses. A house with adequate water and sewer that's 150 years old is where it is. If a buyer would buy it, and improve it, and bring in more taxes, why not allow the sale.</p>	<p>revenue by running water and sewer into Franklin Township.</p>
<p>6N & Fry should have a turn lane and a stop light</p>	<p>I want to see an overall report on each question in this survey mailed to each resident. A report stating how the various items (a lot of them) were selected - as to the importance of each person that submitted their answers.</p>
<p>Buildings that already exist, should be promoted for development--Ames, Crane Rd by I-79 overpass</p>	<p>There are very few existing rural communities that support wildlife, the environment, small farming, and a peaceful and private lifestyle. Please consider and adopt ways to preserve what we have. Once development and it's accompanying problems occur, there is no going back. The questions were answered focusing mainly on the Franklin Township area, rather than all-inclusive of all three.</p>
<p>PennDOT plowing of Old State Rd is very, very poor. A road like Gudgeonville Rd was paved and there are only about two houses on it, while Mohawk Road which is very, very heavily traveled, doesn't get paved and it's very, very dusty.</p>	<p>New business - light industry only. Not enough living-wage jobs - we are a bedroom community, people commute. Increase high-density residential areas - booo. Large lot residential developments should be encouraged - 5 acres ++.</p>
<p>Don't want water and sewer because of our wells and septic. Don't need added costs that we can't afford. Just fine the way it is. Need ditches dug and water under road taken care of. Lower taxes.</p>	<p>Merger of Edinboro, Franklin and Washington Township - only if Franklin taxes would decrease.</p>
<p>Too much government is never good, i.e., City of Erie.</p>	<p>Should the attraction of businesses, of all kinds, be a priority - send them to Erie - we'll drive.</p>
<p>I would like to see development along Rt. 99 - Giant Eagle to Nick's Place area, however I heard there is concerns of public utilities--water, sewer.</p>	<p>No industrial development outside of Erie. Where should development be focused - brown field development in Erie.</p>
<p>In regard to grant money and new development, it is not the responsibility of government to create new jobs or repair the irresponsibility of the public. Remove the tax burden on the average citizen and allow the private sector to grow. The more spendable income people have the more they will spend. Read what the country of New Zealand did. We would learn a lot.</p>	<p>We need earlier snow removal on roads so people who work 1st or 3rd shift can get to work or home. And so schools don't need to close because school buses can't get through.</p>
<p>Don't place any more regulations on the property owners. We live in the country for that reason. Don't have people want to change this to the city!</p>	<p>Do you support or oppose the consolidation/merger - haven't been here long enough to form opinion.</p>
<p>How do you feel about the area as a place to live--If the shooting range is not enclosed answer is undesirable.</p>	<p>Inter-municipal agreements for services - couldn't get any worse. The supervisors take \$100,000 in road money for salaries and expect homeowners with acreage to pay \$10,000+ to have one half of one side of their road paved. Franklin Township shouldn't expect it's residents to pay for what should be a twp. bill! Snow removal in winter is very bad! The grass is never mowed in summer - Franklin Township maintenance equals a road grader twice a summer!</p>
<p>Please remember the families that have lived here for generations and don't want to see all the things that come with urban sprawl. I don't want sewer, water, paved roads, street lights. I want to keep the rural life, farm land, dirt roads. Help the full and part-time farmers. That's what this country was founded on.</p>	<p>I am very opposed to governmental over regulation of my personal property and personal life. I am aware that some structure is necessary, however municipalities are constantly making more and more regulatory laws. What happened to personal property rights? All in this household agree with these views.</p>
<p>Use unproductive land for housing not prime farmland. Keep Growing Greener areas around subdivisions and keep them back from the main roads so they are not visible. Work together as a community (3 municipalities) to have cohesive planning and development and to maintain the rural character of the area.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dirt roads are outdated. Change this. 2. Traffic congestion in Edinboro is outrageous, as bad as Peach St. in Summit Township. Was there enough forethought in that planning? 3. Any of the merger questions - townships only, there is a huge difference between rural and city living. I don't mid paying for our share as long as it is share, not bail some other poorly managed area out of their problems.
<p>With the situation of the economy something has to be done to entice businesses to the area. Tax breaks aren't the answer, that puts the burden on homeowners. More jobs are needed in the area with wages that people can live on without having to work 2 or 3 jobs to make ends meet.</p>	<p>I moved out here to raise my children in the country so they could be safe and get a good education at G.M. We need to</p>
<p>Erie County and Pennsylvania have way too many boroughs, townships, authorities etc. This is very inefficient.</p>	
<p>Concerned about Washington Township seeking growth</p>	

keep this area country and not city.
Many questions/selections need more information to make viable decisions.
Perhaps we should look at merging with McKean Township. No big manufacturing in the rural country areas and no tax breaks for businesses. Get a handle on school taxes. Do not increase high-density residential areas, doesn't belong in the country. Don't want new developments in the country.
The issues in this survey are much too involved to answer in this way. The data compiled could be skewed too easily. A public meeting format is the only way I feel I could participate.
Franklin Township could be the desirable township to live in, not one people want to avoid. We live in a great school district, it's about time Franklin Township wasn't considered a joke! Let's get it right! Work together and make a nice community to be proud to live in. Clean up the trash, fix the roads. We pay good taxes out here - use them wisely! Work together.
All Franklin Township roads should be paved or tar and chipped at a minimum.
Local government involved can apply for grant funds for a variety of activities - most of these should not be the roll of government.
Fry Road should be paved so we can get from Old State Road to West Road (to get onto I-79 without having to go over dirt/bumpy roads).
Planners would do well to study the problems of Millcreek and Summit Township, especially the impact of "green area" loss. Development of additional farmland, support for existing farmers, including for pollution control

Joint Comp. Plan - In many areas the population is stagnant or swindling and houses/buildings are deteriorating. I think a blend of subdivisions, small businesses, and retail would be nice. I also believe it is important to preserve natural resources and agricultural land. I do not know how profitable farming is in this area now, but if it were possible to preserve farmlands while adding some residential and commercial areas, I feel this would be a nice mix. My primary concern though would be stress on natural resources, especially water supplies (one would hope this wouldn't be a problem with all the rain and snow we get!).
I support manufacturing/industrial areas. But I don't want to see it mixed in with houses. I think it should be in an area such as an industrial park. We live down wind of Ogden and in the summer it smells very bad.
What size development - depends on type of business wouldn't it? Farmland preservation - Never know when we might have to feed ourselves.
Franklin Township should be left agricultural. Business should be kept in Edinboro Borough. No sidewalks, housing developments, street lights or public water/sewer in Franklin Township.