RESOURCES AS PROVIDED BY HARRIS COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL MIKE MONTGOMERY

Cohesive Wildfire Mitigation Strategy http://www.forestsandrangelands.gov/strategy/index.shtml

Firewise Communities/USA http://www.firewise.org/

Ready, Set, Go! http://wildlandfirersg.org/

Texas Emerging Communities http://www.texasemergingcommunities.org/

CWPP

http://txforestservice.tamu.edu/main/popup.aspx?id=1599

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES SMART GROWTH

Smart Growth Online - Supporting the development of vibrant, healthy communities www.smartgrowth.org

Smart Growth America - A Coalition of national, state, and local organizations promoting Smart Growth www.smartgrowthamerica.org

Water Quality Scorecard - Incorporating green infrastructure practices at municipal, neighborhood and site scales

http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/gi municipal scorecard.pdf

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Community and Economic Development - Federal and state grant programs in rural communities, regional workforce initiatives, downtown revitalization and beautification http://www.h-gac.com/community/community

Policy Guide on Smart Growth - Using comprehensive planning to guide, design, develop, revitalize and build communities

http://www.planning.org/policy/guides/adopted/smartgrowth.htm

Texas Main Street Program - Helping Texas cities revitalize historic downtowns and neighborhood districts by utilizing preservation and economic development strategies http://www.thc.state.tx.us/mainstreet/msdefault.shtml

Brownfields Center at the Environmental Law Institute - Providing essential information on brownfields cleanup and redevelopment with a focus on the concerns and needs of community groups across the country http://www.brownfieldscenter.org/big/resources.shtml

International Economic Development Council Brownfields Resource Center- Offering a comprehensive "howto" manual, research publications, links and more
http://www.iedconline.org/?p=Brownfields Resource Center

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING

Local Government Commission - First stop shop for water resources <u>http://water.lgc.org/tools</u>

Riparian Setbacks - Technical information for decision makers http://www.crwp.org/pdf files/riparian setback paper jan 2006.pdf

Local Government Environmental Assistance Network - Model ordinances to protect local resources http://www.epa.gov/owow/NPS/ordinance

Texas Urban Landscape Guide - Environmental-friendly plants and practices for the challenging Texas landscape

http://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/urbanlandscapeguide/ordinance_approach.html

Watershed Forestry Resource Guide - A clearinghouse for all things related to forests and watersheds http://www.forestsforwatersheds.org/

Riparian Forest Buffers - Function and design for protection and enhancement of water resources http://na.fs.fed.us/spfo/pubs/n_resource/buffer/cover.htm

> Texas Forest Service - Wildfire prevention tips and news http://txforestservice.tamu.edu

Central Texas Conservation Partnership – Resource protection and wildfire prevention http://texasconservation.org

DENSITY

Focus on Livable Communities - Compact development for more livable communities http://www.lgc.org/freepub/docs/community_design/focus/compact_development.pdf

RURAL PLANNING AND CONSERVATION PLANNING

Conservation Subdivisions - A better way for every beautiful place in America slated for development <u>www.landchoices.org/conservationsubs.htm</u>

> Growing Greener - Putting conservation into local plans and ordinances http://www.greenerprospects.com/gg_d.html

Download the Ordinance.org - Preserving communities' water quality, rural character and property values http://downloadtheordinance.org/