



**Regional Growth**  
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### MEETING NOTICE

#### EXPLORING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF URBAN & RURAL SERVICE DISTRICTS/BOUNDARIES (URSDs/USBs)

Date: August 20, 2008 (Wednesday)

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Place: Meridian Township Hall (Board Room)  
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos

### AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER 8:00 a.m.
- II. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS  
New Land Use/Growth Project Planner
- III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES of the Dec. 11th, 2007 MEETING  
(See attached)
- IV. ***Too Much Government: The Economics of Local Government Consolidation*** by Eric Scorsone, Ph.D, Agricultural Economics, MSU  
The functional consolidation of government services, and in some cases political consolidation, remains an important topic area in the state of Michigan as fiscal and economic stress continue to impact the region. Research from MSU has been addressing the potential opportunities related Fire/EMS, water/sewer, property assessment, land use planning and zoning and 911 service among others. Dr. Scorsone will provide an update on this important ongoing research.
- V. Staff Activity Report  
Discussion of 2005 Survey on Potential Collaborative Efforts, and how the results pertain to current Committee and staff efforts.
- VI. NEXT MEETING  
Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at 8:30a.m. (Location to be determined)
- VII. OTHER BUSINESS
- VIII. ADJOURN

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