

A stylized, layered landscape illustration. The foreground features rolling green hills with dark brown soil patches. On the left, there is a green tree, a purple flower, and some orange foliage. A small red bird is flying in the upper left. The background consists of light blue and white wavy bands representing the sky.

Hazardous Materials

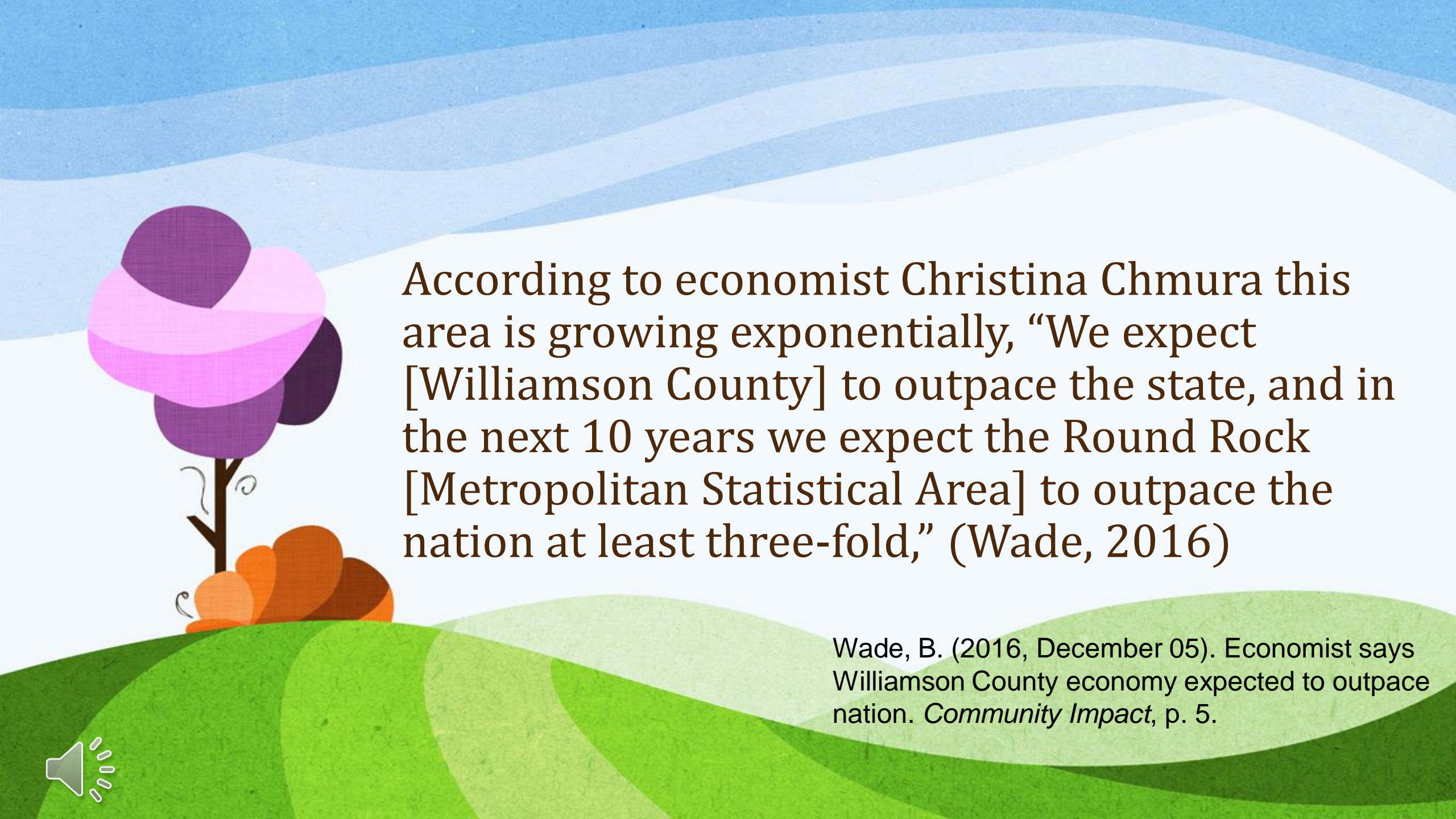
FY18 Requests





Fire Marshal Transition



A stylized landscape illustration featuring rolling hills in shades of green and blue. On the left, a tree with a brown trunk and a large, rounded canopy of purple and pink leaves stands on a green hill. The background consists of layered, wavy bands of light blue and white, suggesting a sky or distant hills.

According to economist Christina Chmura this area is growing exponentially, “We expect [Williamson County] to outpace the state, and in the next 10 years we expect the Round Rock [Metropolitan Statistical Area] to outpace the nation at least three-fold,” (Wade, 2016)

Wade, B. (2016, December 05). Economist says Williamson County economy expected to outpace nation. *Community Impact*, p. 5.



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Population Factors

- *The County is growing*
 - *Almost 550,000 residents*
- *80% of the landmass of Williamson County comprises of non-municipal fire protected areas*
 - *Almost half of Williamson County residents live in these areas*
- *As cities grow, State statutes on annexation may hinder existing fire departments abilities to enforce codes in new areas*



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Cooperative Factors



- Supported by the Williamson County Fire Chiefs Association
- Assist all non-municipal fire marshals to ensure code compliance for new buildings is met
 - Safeguards the visitors and residents of Williamson County against potential hazards
- Begin standardizing fire code enforcements
 - Open up the ability to offset dept. costs through state statute
- Create a County-wide fire investigation group
 - Following the Tarrant County model, which utilizes existing Fire Marshals within municipalities along with Sheriff's Office investigators
 - Similar to the collaborate approach with our Hazardous Response Team
- Assist the Constables Office with code enforcement of environmental improper disposal

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Mitigation Factors

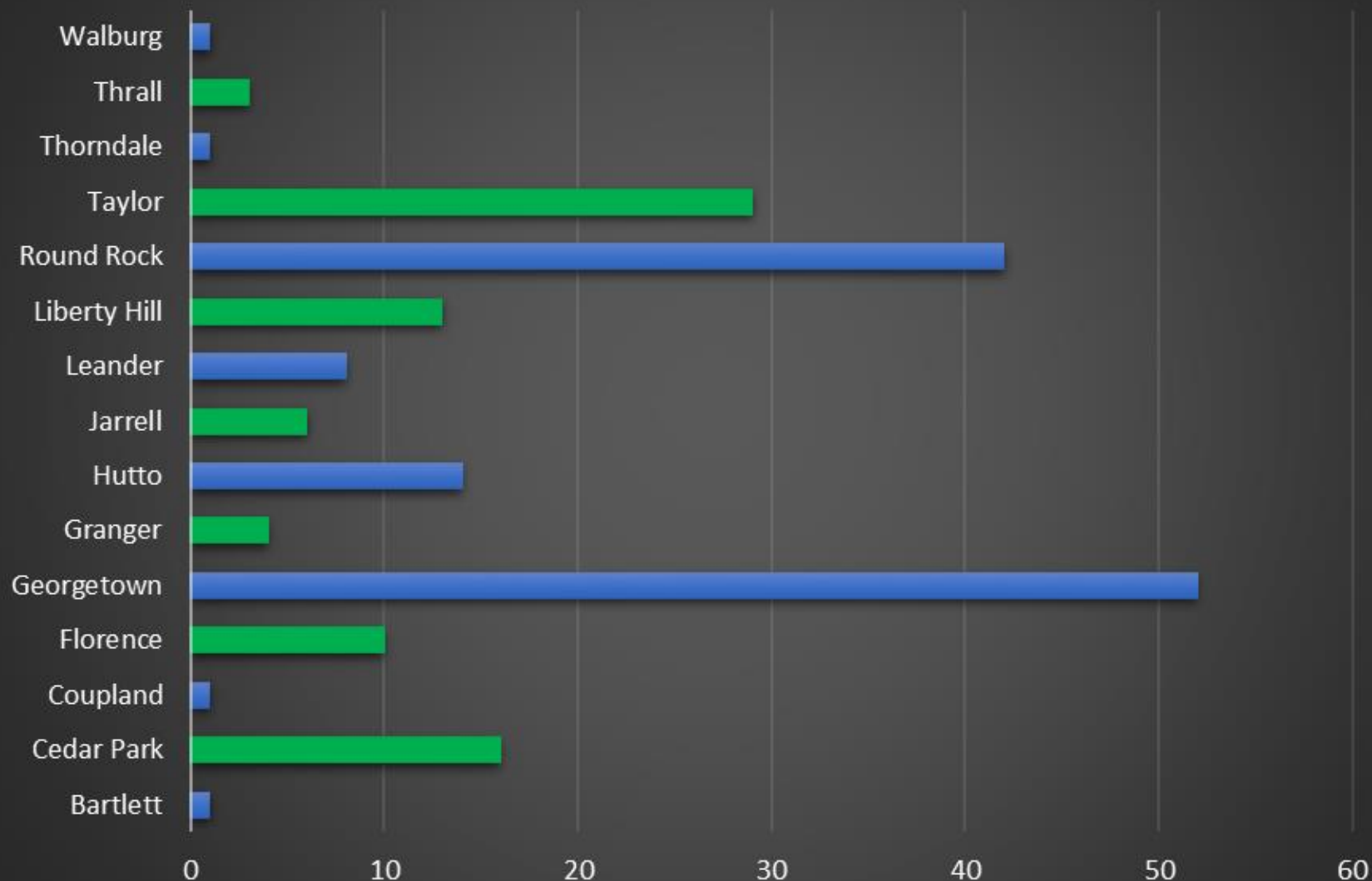
- Address local concerns about the lack of building standards and inspections that may compromise the structural integrity of buildings.
- Presently, businesses may be drawn to these non-municipal fire marshal areas of the County, where ESD's have issues enforcing codes
- Build relationships with local businesses that contain harmful chemicals
 - Accurate reporting of chemicals and chemical amounts allow us to make emergency response plans for residents and guests, as well as safeguard our first responders





Are There
Businesses
with
Chemicals
in Your
Area?

Reported Tier II Businesses in Williamson County



A stylized landscape illustration featuring rolling green hills in the foreground, a small tree with a brown trunk and purple and pink foliage on the left, and blue and white wavy bands in the background representing a sky or distant hills. The text "New Personnel Requests" is written in a brown, cursive font in the center-right area.

New Personnel Requests

New Positions:

- **HazMat Assistant Chief –**

- Focus on fire investigations and coordinate with local Fire Marshals
- Work stakeholders to ensure code compliance
- Oversee all environmental issues reported to the County
- Assistance with mass gathering permits

- **Hazmat Captain – Recommended w/Changes**

- Humbly request funding the position at a B.34, as submitted
- Allows us to attract candidates with the knowledge, skills, abilities, and level of experience required for the position
- We hope to meet with HR to discuss the results of the market survey





THANK
YOU





Mission Statement

To provide all Williamson County residents and visitors access to specialized emergency response assistance 24/7/365, utilizing a collaborative and economical model.