

Scottsboro-Bells Bend: Table 8 Comments (Facilitator Toks) Visioning Meeting January 17, 2008

1. What makes an area rural? What environmental features? What land uses? What do the homes look like? What do commercial areas look like?

- Cattle
- Farms
- Greenspace
- Wildlife – whooping cranes, bald eagles
- Unspoiled land
- Hills – rugged
- Forest
- Streams, water, lakes, creeks, basin
- Close to Highland Rim connects us
- All walkable – all current development along main artery
- Undeveloped woodlands – timber
- Prime use organic farming
- River area access
- Hunting, fishing
- Quiet
- Wide variety of architecture – no cookie cutter, homes are low density, secluded
- Sustainable housing
- Narrow winding roads

2. What do you value about Scottsboro? about Bells Bend?

- Nature – not city – seeing animals – ducks, cranes
- Farmland
- Close community as neighbors
- Archeological value
- Education, recreational opportunities
- River bank
- Historic landmarks

3. What would you like to have preserved? Environmental features? Land use? Character?

- Single-family style – low-density, minimum 2-acre, dream 5-acre, 10?
- Rural character
- Steep hills, unbroken acres
- Low impact, conserving environment
- Conservation-focused, increased population
- Doesn't impact River bank
- Must develop with preserving trees
- No sewers

4. What would you like to see change? Environmental features? Land uses? Character?

- No bridge – ferry maybe
- Weave greenway system throughout area – trails on hillsides, pedestrian bridge at Bells Bend Park
- Density restriction on open space & rural
- Height restrictions
- Near new Wal-Mart – add to Park system
- “Irresponsible development ruins why we are here”

5. What is valuable about your property?

- Historical property
- The land
- Rural
- Unique – only place Nashville has left like it

6. How would you like to be able to use your land or see it used in the future?

- Natural habitat
- Trails on hillside
- Open it up to enjoy nature
- Organic sustainable farming
- Wildlife rehab
- Education, cultural center

7. What types of new development could occur in Scottsboro without changing your quality of life? Where could the development occur?

- Low density, low impact
- Eco-tourism
- Musicians retreats
- Fire Dept – Police Dept – EMS
- Small post office
- Library

8. What types of new development could occur in Bells Bend without changing your quality of life? Where could the development occur?

- Artisan community
- Organic sustainable farms
- Farmers market
- Amphitheater “Think Tanglewood, not Starwood”