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Michael Parks has been with the Brazos Valley Council of Governments (BVCOG) since 2002. He has served as the Assistant Executive Director and is currently serving as its Executive Director. In addition to BVCOG he also serves as Executive Director of Workforce Solutions Brazos Valley and of Brazos Valley Community Action Programs. Prior to this, he served as the Director of the Bryan/College Station MPO for close to 6 years and for 9 years as staff transportation planner for Las Cruces, NM. He is an Aggie twice over! He received his Bachelor of Planning and Masters of Public Administration from New Mexico State University (the NMSU Aggies). He works regionally in the seven counties that make up BVCOG in the areas of workforce development, regional transportation planning, economic development, homeland security, housing, workforce, health care, broadband development, weatherization, energy assistance and other regional issues.

Michael's accomplishments include Vice-Chair of RPO America, Co-Chair of the National Association of Regional Council's Transportation Committee, Texas delegate for the Rural Planning Organization-Council of Peers for the National Association of Development Organizations, City of Bryan Planning & Zoning Commission, City of College Station Transportation Advisory Committee, guest lecturer and former Chairman of the Professional Advisory Committee for the Masters of Urban Planning program at Texas A&M, past Chairman of the local chapter of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), Former board chairman of the Brazos Valley Community Network (a governmental local area fiber-optic network), and a United Way Loaned Executive. He is also a Certified Planner of the American Planning Association. Recipient of the Al J. Notzen Award for Texas Regional Unity, the Greater Brazos Valley Transportation Excellence Award and the Special District's Leadership Award for Technology Innovation. But his most proud accomplishments are being a Pre-K Sunday School teacher, Little League board president/coach and an Assistant Scoutmaster. Married 34 years to Fanette which together they have two grown Texas A&M Aggie graduate children, Shawna and David.

