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Lane Economic Committee
Corvallis – Benton County Public Library
645 NW Monroe, Corvallis, OR
July 25, 2005 – 1:00 P.M.

This was a meeting of the Cascades West Economic Development District. The Lane Economic Committee was invited to participate.

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MEMBERS

PRESENT: John Tamulonis, Tim Black, Anna Morrison, Glenda Poling, John Sullivan, Ellen Teninty, Lynnette Wikstrom, Hal Reed, Chuck Forster, Philip Hudspeth, Deb Schmidt, Jim Ramseyer, members; Mike Galvin, Randy Derrick, Robin Onaclea, alternate members.

STAFF Cynthia Solie, Drew Foster CWCOG
Steve Dignam, Milo Mecham (LCOG)

ABSENT: Mitch Wilkinson, Rob Scoggin, Mike Sullivan, members; Jay Bozievich, Kari Westlund, *ex officio* members.

Cynthia Solie explained the purpose of the meeting to gather additional input for use in an update to the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for the Benton, Lane, Lincoln and Lane Region (See attached Strategic Planning Session agenda.

Drew Foster led a presentation (See attached Powerpoint slides) that attempted to address the following issues:

- Health of our economy
- Health of individuals and families
- Health of our natural systems
- Health of our communities

The group discussed numerous issues including the following:

- Job creation and industrial growth
- The continued importance of agriculture
- Protecting existing industry clusters and assisting emerging clusters
- Continuing the Needs & Issues process
- Supporting infrastructure as a means to facilitate economic growth

Cynthia Solie indicated that the Lane Economic Committee would have an opportunity to further deliberate these issues and make its recommendations regarding the CEDS.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

(Recorded by Steve Dignam)