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JOED Invites you to attend!



Join us Wednesday, September 13th from 11 AM to 1 PM, at the Onslow County Government Center (234 Northwest Corridor Boulevard, Jacksonville) for the Pollution Prevention (P2) to learn more about converting a waste stream into a value stream.

Waste has always been a significant problem for the value added-ag industry. The volume of waste created during agricultural and food processing is rather staggering.

The growing use of waste-to-energy as a method to dispose of waste is creating opportunities for industries to generate a revenue stream while reducing their environmental footprint.

THE WORKSHOP IS FREE. LUNCH IS FREE WITH REGISTRATION.

[Click Here to Register](#)

or call Jeremy Cayton at (252) 689-6496

Drone “captures” Camp Davis Industrial Park



JOED’s Jeremy Schmidt spent a day with Carter Multimedia, capturing drone video of Camp Davis Industrial Park. This is one of JOED’s many ongoing efforts to market Onslow County sites. Once the editing is complete the video will be used by JOED and its state and regional partners to promote the park. This project was made possible by JOED’s membership with North Carolina’s Southeast Regional Economic Development Partnership.

Camp Davis Industrial Park is a privately owned, multi-phase industrial park. Its design was based on recommendations from its participation in the Duke Energy’s Site Readiness Program. Camp Davis Industrial Park is home to a variety of businesses including assembly, machining, and distribution. Three new businesses are considering moving into the park once the first expansion is complete.

The 160-acre park is located in the Town of Holly Ridge and is 30 minutes from both Jacksonville and Wilmington. Its location offers quick access to I-40, and is less than one hour from both of North Carolina’s deep water ports. Camp Davis Industrial Park is also in Foreign-Trade Zone #214, which allows businesses the opportunity to import foreign goods into a duty free zone.

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New JOED Team Member

JOED is pleased to introduce Teresa Miller, Office Coordinator, as the newest member of our Team. Teresa served as the Executive Director of Monona County Economic Development Partnership in Iowa for the past 6 years. Her primary focus was Business Retention and Expansion, and she was responsible for marketing strategy and implementation.

Teresa is certified as a Professional Community and Economic Developer by the Community Development Council. She is proud to have been a part of the collaboration that led to Monona County earning the designation as a Skilled Iowa Community and looks forward to working with the partnerships that contribute to the success of Jacksonville and Onslow County. Teresa and her husband Duane moved to Onslow County to enjoy more time with their son and his family.



Attracting Foreign Investment

JOED Executive Director Sheila Knight recently attended The Select USA Investment Summit, an event dedicated to promoting foreign direct investment (FDI) in the United States. This event provides an unparalleled opportunity to bring together companies from all over the world, economic development organizations from every corner of the nation, and others working to facilitate business investment in the United States. JOED was able to participate in this high profile event through the EDPNC co-op marketing program.

The Summit's theme – "Grow with US" – highlighted the innovative business climate in the United States and featured investment opportunities from every corner of the country. Global executives, like GM's Mary Barra and General Electric's Jeffrey Immelt shared a clear roadmap of how businesses of any size, and in any industry, can both benefit from and contribute to the U.S. economy – and grow with us.

Existing Industry Spotlight: Precision Service Die Company



Founded in 1972, Progressive Service Die Company started out on Hwy 17 in the old county prison building. When the company grew, it moved to White St. as the first manufacturer of the city's industrial corridor. Back then die cutting companies were a very common US manufacturing sector. That changed in the early 90s during a major shift to offshore manufacturing.

Owners George and Brian France have been making dies for companies around the world for over 40 years. Before that, their father worked at Progressive Service Die Company as a foreman. Brian's son Jeremy has also joined the team. He recently started manufacturing medical equipment for a company in the Dominican Republic. The CNC machine he used was Progressive Service Die Company's first CNC machine, and they have already expanded to a second machine.

Despite the changes to US manufacturing, Progressive Service Die Company's client list has grown to over 2,500 customers. From your cap to your sneakers, there's a pretty good chance that something you are wearing right now was cut using a die built by Progressive Service Die Company right here in Jacksonville.

