



MID-STATES CORRIDOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
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Re: 2020 Annual Report for the Mid-States Corridor Regional Development Authority

Interim Secretary Staton:

Pursuant to Ind. Code 36-7.6-3-4, enclosed is the 2020 Annual Report for the Mid-States Corridor Regional Development Authority ("RDA").

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mark Schroeder".

Mark Schroeder

Enclosure

MID-STATES CORRIDOR RDA – 2020 ANNUAL REPORT

Pursuant to Ind. Code § 36-7.6-3-4, below is the 2020 Annual Report for the Mid-States Corridor Regional Development Authority (“RDA”).

Organizational History

- Approval of Formation of RDA by:
 - Dubois County – August 14, 2017
 - City of Huntingburg – August 22, 2017
 - City of Jasper – August 23, 2017
 - Spencer County – August 24, 2017
- Ratification of Appointment of RDA Board:
 - Dubois County – April 16, 2018
 - Spencer County – April 16, 2018
 - City of Jasper – April 16, 2018
 - City of Huntingburg – April 24, 2018
- Initial Organizational Meeting – May 11, 2018

Board Members and Officers

- Mark Schroeder – RDA Chairman (Chairman & CEO of German American Bancorp)
- Ken Mulzer, Jr. – RDA Vice Chairman (President of Mulzer Crushed Stone, Inc.)
- Sue Ellspermann – RDA Secretary and Treasurer (President of Ivy Tech Community College)
- Scott Blazey – RDA Board Member (Attorney)
- David Drake – RDA Board Member (Retired Engineer)
- Bill Kaiser – RDA Legal Counsel (Dentons Bingham Greenebaum)

2020 Mid-States Corridor RDA Board Meetings

- February 7, 2020 – RDA Board Meeting
- June 5, 2020 – RDA Board Meeting
- August 7, 2020 – RDA Board Meeting
- November 6, 2020 - RDA Board Meeting

2020 Activity

- February 7, 2020 – RDA reviewed the information to be presented by Lochmueller Group in the upcoming February stakeholder meetings and public meeting as part of the Tier I EIS Study.
- February 7, 2020 – RDA approved the Economic Development Plan filed with IEDC.
- February 7, 2020 – RDA approved the 2019 audit engagement of LWG.

- February 7, 2020 – RDA approved the First Quarter Invoice for payment.
- March 2020 – December 31, 2020 – COVID 19 impacts Lochmueller Group’s ability to continue Tier I EIS Study.
- June 5, 2020 – RDA was notified that LWG would be providing an “unmodified opinion” regarding the audit of Mid-States.
- June 5, 2020 – RDA was notified that Public Sector pledges for 2020 had been received.
- June 5, 2020 – RDA discussed the 2nd Quarter Invoice received from INDOT.
- July 15, 2020 – RDA contracts with BHP Tax & Accounting to perform outside accounting.
- August 7, 2020 – RDA approves INDOT’s 2nd Quarter Invoice for payment.
- August 7, 2020 – RDA notified as to the expectation of INDOT to provide a response and updated timeline for 2020/2021 Tier I EIS Study.
- August 7, 2020 – RDA discusses Lochmueller Group’s Jasper office re-opening under COVID-19 conditions by appointment, and future intention of re-opening publicly for regular hours upon the restart of Vincennes University’s school year.
- November 6, 2020 – RDA discussed the Tier I EIS Study falling behind its original timeline by approximately six months due to COVID-19.
- November 6, 2020 – RDA notified of no quarterly payment due to INDOT, due to significant delay of the Tier I EIS Study.

2021 Meeting Dates

- February 5, 2021
- May 7, 2021
- August 6, 2021
- November 5, 2021