Columbia Gorge Economic Symposium

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5 counties, 2 states, 1 region
Columbia Gorge / Mid-Columbia Economic Development Strategy

• Trends Analysis, Data/Demographics
• Regional Overview

• SWOT Issues and Opportunities
• Vision Statement

• Goals and Objectives
• Strategies
• Benchmarks; Measurements

Mid-Columbia Economic Development District develops a long-range regional economic development strategy, with participation from local communities to create jobs, raise income levels, diversify the economy, and improve the quality of life, while protecting the environment.
Focus Areas

- Organizing Framework

Focus Areas: Housing, Entrepreneurial Environment, Workforce, Infrastructure, Regulatory Environment
Industry Growth Sectors

- Technology: Unmanned Systems
- Manufacturing: Value Added
- Renewable Energy
- Healthcare
- Arts/Culture/Tourism/Rec’n
- Forest Products
Industry Panel

How can we support continued success in this industry?

- Tabitha Colie, Seeq
- Greg Davis, Overwatch Imaging
- Tom Furey, Sagetech
- Dave Karlson, Google
- Andy Mack, Zepher
- Jessica Metta, Gorge Tech Alliance, Moderator
Thank you!

Materials
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