



**Hawkins County**  
Industrial Development Board  
"Gateway To Opportunity"

**Mission Statement:** The Hawkins County Industrial Development Board is committed to our existing and future industries in helping them to be competitive in the world market place so employment will flourish in our county and region.

## Potential New Jobs

Hawkins County Industrial Development Board has been receiving several RFP's (Request for Proposals) in the new year. Rebecca Baker works very closely with NETWORKS when submitting to these requests. We are continuing to work very diligently on one of the prospective industries that could potentially bring 1,200 jobs to Hawkins County.

**Mundet Aquisition**  
Austrian Company  
Delfortgroup AG has acquired Mundet, Inc. located in the Phipps Bend Industrial Park. This acquisition is proving to be a very positive move for both Delfort and Mundet.

## TVA Economic Website Grant Awarded

Hawkins County Industrial Development Board was awarded the TVA Economic Website Grant. This is a matching grant program which will enable the Hawkins County Industrial Development Board to update their website within the next few months. We are very excited to begin this project as our website is in need of some updates and improvements.



**The Annual Site Selectors Guild Conference was held in Nashville from February 24<sup>th</sup> – February 26<sup>th</sup> at the Omni Hotel. This is the first time Tennessee has had the honor of hosting the event, which is attended by the world's top site selection consultants. Guild membership is known as the highest standard in the site selection industry. NETWORKS Sullivan Partnership was a proud sponsor of this event, which enabled Michael Parker and Clay Walker to attend and represent our area.**

## **IDB UPDATES**

Rebecca Baker, Executive Administrative Coordinator, will be attending the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Rural Development Conference this week in Nashville. She will also be graduating the TVA Rural Leadership Institute at the TVA Economic Development Forum the first week of April. Attendance in the TVA programs and conferences make it possible to be able to apply for TVA funding and grants.

## **Phipps Bend Industrial Park**

Kerry Jackson has been working diligently with the part-time employees of the Hawkins County Industrial Development Board regarding the maintenance work of the industrial park. It takes hard work and effort to keep the property cleared and clean of trash and debris. Also Mr. Lowell Bean, Hawkins County Road Superintendent, has helped tremendously with the maintenance of the roads in the industrial park.

## **Contact Information**

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## **Next HCIDB Meeting:**

**Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at noon.**

**Please RSVP Rebecca Baker by**

**Monday April 25<sup>th</sup> if you wish to attend.**