



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.

2016 1st Quarter Update

Hawkins County Industrial Development Board has been very busy during the first quarter of 2016. We have submitted 14 RFP's (request for proposals) for the Phipps Bend Industrial Park, with approximately half of these still being active projects for Hawkins County.

Site Certification

We recently received the certified TOPO map from Mattern & Craig that was needed to move forward with the site certification process for lots 11,17, & 18 in the Phipps Bend Industrial Park.



REAP the Benefits

REAP (Retention, Expansion, Assistance Program) is the new name for the existing industries program for Hawkins County. Rebecca Baker, Executive Administrative Coordinator, created the program name and a new brochure to promote the program to all existing industries in Hawkins County. The program has been created to more effectively serve our existing industry base which garners about 80 percent of the new job growth.



NETWORKS invests a tremendous amount of time and effort in the Red Carpet Tour each year. The 2016 Red Carpet Tour plans are underway. This event, which is held in August at the Bristol Motor Speedway, brings consultants and site selectors to our area. Hawkins County will be included in the showcase of industrial parks highlighted in this event.

IDB UPDATES

Rebecca Baker, Executive Administrative Coordinator, is now serving on the Hawkins County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. She works very closely with Nancy Barker, Chamber of Commerce Director, the ThreeStar Program and other projects.

Next HCIDB Meeting:

Thursday, May 26th at noon.
Please RSVP Rebecca Baker by
Monday, May 23rd if you wish to
attend.

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2016 Industry Listing

Rebecca Baker, Executive Administrative Coordinator, has completed an updated listing of Hawkins County industries. To ensure all information is accurate an Industrial Questionnaire is mailed to all industries in Hawkins County annually. Each industry is encouraged to fill out the questionnaire and return to the Hawkins County Industrial Development Board.

Did you know?

Kingsport Book, Inc., located in Hawkins County, is the last remaining full service deluxe book bindery in the United States. They produced approximately 1 million books and bibles in 2015.