



Director's Report
from Greg Pope

July 14, 2025

In addition to our normal day-to-day activities, some of our key activities include:

- Business Retention, Expansion and Relocation
 - o Welcome to new members !
 - Empowered Energy Systems – Hotchkiss
 - Cornerstone Computers- Delta
 - Black Hills Energy - Area
 - Clearnetworkx, LLC- Montrose
 - o The preliminary report for the first phase of the Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) feasibility study has been completed and is currently under review. A meeting of all partners is scheduled to be held July 15 to discuss it
- Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) to Support Economic Development
 - o The IGA has been signed by the City of Delta and Towns of Crawford and Hotchkiss. It is still under review by Cedaredge and Orchard City
 - All memberships have been paid for 2025
 - o By request, we have commenced a study of primary employers to determine where employees live who are employed by primary employers within the county
- Industrial Park Expansion
 - o We are continuing to hold discussion with potential sources for construction funding and obtaining a cost estimate for CDOT required Highway 92 improvements

- o At this time, a construction start in 2025 is still anticipated
- Workforce Housing Project
 - o Planning is continuing on the proposed 7.88-acre Workforce Housing project in Delta
- Business Training
 - o Our Economic Update breakfast and presentation by Dr Perry, Colorado Mesa University, will be held **Friday, September 12** at Bill Heddles Recreation Center. Breakfast will be served at 8:00 AM, with the presentation beginning at 8:30 AM
 - o The One Delta County Annual meeting will be held **Friday, November 14** at The Grove in Delta