Cascades West Economic Development District 2010-2015		
Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy		
Primary Focus Area Secondary Focus	Economic Development	
Area(s)		
Type of plan	Aspirational	
(Functional, general,		
etc.)		
Motivation/Purpose for the Plan	To provide a framework for long-term economic development planning efforts in the four-county Cascades West Economic Development District (CWEDD)	
Author/Organization	Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments, LCOG	
Plan Developer(s)		
Date Created	2010 (see below)	
	Approval Recommended by Lane Economic Committee June 21, 2010;	
Date Approved	Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments Community and Economic	
	Development Committee July 30, 2010	
Date Updated	Five-year review	
(or scheduled to be updated)		
Geographic Scope	4 Counties: Benton, Lane, Lincoln, and Linn	
Geographic Scope	A diversified economy with a range of employment opportunities that	
Key Themes	provide stable family wage jobs, lifelong learning and training opportunities, sustainable natural resources, and an integrated infrastructure.	
	Key Elements of the Regional Vision:	
	A diversified economy affording a wide range of employment	
	opportunities providing stable, family wage jobs	
	 Lifelong education and workforce training opportunities 	
	Sustainable natural resources	
	Integrated Infrastructure	
Location/URL	http://www.ocwcog.org/Files/CEDS%20Final%202010%20-%202015.pdf	
Inputs		
What Inputs	 ☐ Qualitative: ☐ Quantitative: ☐ Other: Community Profiles, Unemployment Rates, Industry Concentration (2009), Regional Employment in Traditional Sectors, Annual 	
	Wages in Traditional Sectors, Income and Poverty, Population, Land Base, Educational Attainment	
	Data/Inputs are used to provide background information and to support	
Input Analysis	economic development strategies	
Source	Oregon Employment Department, 2006-2008 American Community Survey, U.S. Census 2000, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis	



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Address TBL?	Yes, Explicitly Yes, Implicitly
Are any of the following impacts addressed?	Economic Environmental Quality of life Social Equity
Input presentation	Data/Inputs are used to provide background information/context and to support economic development strategies.
Input leads to policies	Policies in plan derive from plan inputs Comments: (see above)
Policies/ Actions without supporting inputs	
Inputs and Goals	Goals are supported by inputs. Comments:
Input Scope	Narrow
Public Involvement and Consultation	Public engagement Input from Boards and Commissions Within topic area Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments, LCOG Outside topic area (If so, list them here)
	Goals
Key Goals/ Recommendations	 The District has identified six broad goals: Advance economic activities that provide a range of employment opportunities. Build on the region's entrepreneurial culture and assets. Support infrastructure assistance to communities. Provide technical assistance to communities and support capacity building efforts. Partner to improve workforce training and education. Support the needs of rural areas.
Desired Outcomes	To provide a sound basis for local and statewide policy, development, and planning.
Crossover Goals	N/A

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Strategies		
Strategies and Action Items	 Accelerating Business Start-Ups Assistance to Lane Rural Communities Branding the Region for Economic Development Community-Based Business Investment Expanding Bioscience Opportunities Industrial Readiness Lane County BioEnergy Lane One-Stop Business Assistance Center University of Oregon River Front Research Park Expansion Workforce National Career Readiness Certificates 	
Strategies for Implementation	The District will attempt to further leverage its resources and will approach its community and economic development mission of community investment and reinvestment through the following multi-pronged approach: • Continuation of core service • Seek ways to address multiple needs with a single "solution" (i.e. identify new partners) • Maintain a longer-term view • Design service delivery systems that are user-centered • Convening economic development advocates and activist to a) look for ways to leverage individual results and b) examine from a systems viewpoint Lane Economic Committee (2010-2011 Work Plan) 1. Improve and increase communication with the LCOG Board. 2. Coordinate efforts with other local, regional, state, and federal economic development organizations in order to maximize efficient delivery of service. 3. Promote and help implement economic development strategies identified in the 2009/10 Eugene Prosperity Summit. 4. Work with rural communities to build fiber communication links. 5. Support and increase various government loan programs for small businesses, including the U.S. Small Business Administration. 6. Provide local input into the regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) process. 7. Provide a forum for exchange of information regarding economic development opportunities and programs. 8. Assist local communities, particularly rural communities, to define and coordinate their economic development strategies.	

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Policies and Capital or Program Investments		
Direction of policies and use of resources	Policies are Aspirational.	
CIP Connections		
Investment Links		
Plan Performance and Maintenance		
Strategies for Maintenance	The District will conduct a program evaluation every two years.	
	Strategies for Maintenance accomplished regularly	
Plan Performance		
Linkages and Connections with Other Plans and Agencies		
Connections to other	N/A	
plans		
Connections to other	(See page 74-76 of the plan for a complete list)	
agencies		

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