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ENDOW to Host Forum on Advanced Manufacturing in Rock Springs

Public Invited to Provide Feedback on Opportunities & Obstacles in Manufacturing Sector

Cheyenne, Wyo. – The Economically Needed Diversity Options for Wyoming (ENDOW) Executive Council is hosting a public forum in Rock Springs next month to bring together private and public-sector partners with ideas on building and growing Wyoming's advanced manufacturing economy.

The forum will be held on Thursday, April 12th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Western Wyoming Community College in Rock Springs. The ENDOW Executive Council will use the forum to gather feedback on manufacturing opportunities, potential industries of focus, market and regulatory conditions as well as research and development. Industry and business leaders as well as the general public are encouraged to attend to offer input and provide direction on advanced manufacturing opportunities in Wyoming.

Event details are as follows:

ENDOW Advanced Manufacturing Forum Thursday, April 12, 2018 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Location: Western Wyoming Community College, Wellness Building, 3rd Floor, Room 3650B. Campus map

Following the submission of preliminary recommendations at the end of 2017, the vast majority of which were passed by the Wyoming State Legislature this past session, the ENDOW Executive Council is analyzing next generation economic growth opportunities in the areas of Advanced Manufacturing, Agriculture, Natural Resources, Tourism and Recreation as well as Knowledge and Creative industries.

For questions on the forum or to RSVP, please email endow@wyo.gov.

ABOUT ENDOW

ENDOW aims to facilitate broader, lasting economic growth at the state and local level by capitalizing on the state's No. 1 strength: Wyoming people. ENDOW is an opportunity for Wyoming to take the reins and realize a future where the state can prosper no matter the economic climate or the status of commodity prices.

The ENDOW Executive Council submitted its first report to Gov. Matt Mead and the Wyoming Legislature on Aug. 30. The <u>Wyoming socioeconomic assessment</u> established a baseline for the preliminary recommendations, submitted on Dec. 29, 2017. The economic diversification strategy is due by Aug. 1, 2018. Additional information on ENDOW can found at www.endowyo.biz.