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Additional informational sessions scheduled to give Wisconsin companies details on how to bid for work during Foxconn construction

Representatives from construction management firm and WEDC to provide updates on opportunities available to construction-related business statewide

MADISON, WI. March 30, 2018 – Six more informational sessions have been scheduled around the state in April to provide construction-related businesses with details on how to become vendors, subcontractors, suppliers or professional service providers during the construction phase of the Foxconn project in Racine County.

The additional sessions being announced today will take place in Black River Falls, Janesville, Madison, Pewaukee, Rhinelander and Wausau.

Hosted by the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC), regional and county economic development organizations, and M+W|Gilbane, the professional construction manager on the project, the meetings are designed to assist construction-related companies in understanding the nature of the project and the procurement process.

At the meetings, construction-related businesses will receive information regarding the process for submitting bid proposals, standard terms and conditions related to the project, basic construction information, and a preliminary construction schedule for Phase One of Wisconsin Valley Science and Technology Park. Representatives from WEDC and M+W|Gilbane will be on hand to answer questions about the Foxconn project and the opportunities available to Wisconsin companies.

The location and dates for all informational sessions are:

- **Tuesday, April 3:** Fountain Hall, 8505 Durand Avenue, Sturtevant. Co-hosted by the Racine County Economic Development Corporation.
- **Wednesday, April 4:** University of Wisconsin-Platteville - Harry & Laura Nohr Gallery (inside Ullsvik Hall), Hickory and Main streets, Platteville. Co-hosted by Prosperity Southwest.

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- **Friday, April 6:** Liberty Hall Banquet and Conference Center, 800 Eisenhower Drive, Kimberly. Co-hosted by The New North.
- **Monday, April 9:** Madison Area Technical College, 1701 Wright St. (Room D1630A/C), Madison. Co-hosted by the Madison Region Economic Partnership.
- **Monday, April 9:** Blackhawk Technical College (Room 1400 A/B), 6004 S. County Road G, Janesville. Co-hosted by the Madison Region Economic Partnership.
- **Thursday, April 12:** Superior Government Center, 1316 N. 14th St., Superior. Co-hosted by Visions Northwest.
- **Friday, April 13:** Nicolet College – Lakeside Center Theater, 5364 College Drive, Rhineland. Co-hosted by Grow North.
- **Monday, April 16:** Chippewa Valley Technical College – Energy Education Center, 4000 Campus Road, Eau Claire. Co-hosted by Momentum West.
- **Monday, April 16:** Entrepreneurial Enterprise Center, 100 N. 72nd Ave., Wausau.
- **Tuesday, April 17.** La Crosse Area Chamber Foundation, 601 7th St. N, La Crosse. Co-hosted by 7 Rivers Alliance.
- **Tuesday, April 17:** District Community Center, N7261 Warrior Ave., Black River Falls. Co-hosted by the Wisconsin Tribal Nations.
- **Thursday, April 19:** Waukesha County Technical College, 800 Main St., Pewaukee. Co-hosted by Milwaukee 7.

The sessions are free but advance registration is required. For event times and to register, visit wisconnvalley.wi.gov/Pages/General-Info-Sessions.aspx.

“Construction on Foxconn’s advance manufacturing campus will get underway soon, and over the next few years, this historic project will provide significant opportunities for businesses in every region of the state, said Mark R. Hogan, secretary and CEO of WED. “I strongly encourage any company interested in being a subcontractor, vendor or supplier during the construction phase to attend one of these sessions.”

To ensure a fair and open process, construction-related companies seeking to bid on work related to the construction phase are asked to complete the following steps to be considered for such opportunities:

- Register with M+W|Gilbane to receive automatic bid alerts and notifications on upcoming pre-bid and matchmaking sessions. A link to the registration website can be found on the Wisconn Valley Science & Technology Park website at wisconnvalley.wi.gov.
Registration is required to bid on construction work.
- Attend one of the 12 informational sessions being held throughout the state. Companies also are urged to sign up for the Wisconn Valley News e-newsletter to get the latest information on project status, road updates and more. Sign up at wisconnvalley.wi.gov/newsletter.
- Attend a pre-bid/matchmaking session that will outline a clear and detailed process with good faith efforts to place “Wisconsin First” while building significant capacity in both workforce and businesses. Companies that register with M+W|Gilbane will receive notifications on upcoming pre-bid/matchmaking sessions.

Foxconn plans to build an at least 1,000-acre advanced display manufacturing campus that is expected to support about 10,000 direct construction jobs and 6,000 indirect jobs annually during the construction phase. Once the campus is fully operational, Foxconn will create up to 13,000 permanent family-supporting jobs, thousands of indirect jobs, and spend an estimated \$1.4 billion annually on goods and services from Wisconsin companies.

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The campus will also serve as a science and technology park to promote research and development in advanced technologies in areas such as artificial intelligence, Big Data, the Internet of Things and robotics.

Work on the project is expected to begin in 60 days and will include site work, material procurement and temporary logistics preparation.

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