

Planning & Development District III

September, 2024

Upcoming Deadlines & Events:

- Sept 16-18** County Convention – Rapid City
- Oct 1** State Water Plan applications
- Oct 1** GOED Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) applications
- Oct 1** DANR – SRF Drinking Water/Clean Water applications
- Oct 1** DANR – Solid Waste Management Program applications
- Oct 1** Deadwood Fund applications
- Oct 1** DOT Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) full applications
- Oct 9-10** SD Municipal League Annual Conference – Sioux Falls
- Oct 14** Columbus Day/Indigenous People's Day – Office Closed
- Oct 15** DOT Agri-Business & Industrial Access applications
- Oct 15** County Highway Plans due
- Oct 22-24** SD Planners Conference – Box Elder
- Oct 31** GOED Loal Infrastructure Improvement Program (LIIP) applications

Funding Opportunity

Deadwood Fund – Funded by a portion of the gambling revenue generated in Deadwood, SD. Grants ranging from \$1,000 to \$25,000 given to projects that retain, restore or rehabilitate historic buildings, structures and archaeology sites in SD for commercial, residential or public purposes. Application deadline is October 1 with another round February 1. This is a competitive grant through the SD State Historical Society. Please contact John Clem for assistance. More details can be found at: <https://history.sd.gov/preservation/fundingopportunities.aspx>

Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Update

Planning & Development District III has completed **the 2024 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)**. The CEDS is a 5-year strategy-driven plan for regional development. It is the result of our regionally owned planning process designed to build capacity and guide the economic prosperity and resiliency in our 15-county region.

Our strategic goals are:

- Grow a Skilled Workforce in the Region
- Support Vibrant, Healthy & Resilient Communities
- Expand the Economy through Agricultural and Business Development

Please review the [CEDS document here](#) and send all comments to Eric Ambrosen at eric.ambrosen@districtiii.org. The 30-day public comment period will be open until September 22, 2024. Once all comments are received, the document will be finalized and submitted to the Economic Development Administration (EDA). Thank you in advance for your comments.

Job Announcement

District III has an opening for a full-time **Community Development Specialist**. This position provides a wide range of community and economic development services that produce project financing, support local and regional planning processes, and generate useful information. District III offers a competitive compensation and benefits package. Salary DOQ. Please send resume or direct any questions to:

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Congratulations

to **Mt Vernon** who received a **\$72,750 FEMA Hazard Mitigation grant award** to do a H & H (Hydrologic & Hydraulic) Study. Please contact John Clem for information re: HMGP