

2005 CEDS COMMITTEE

The Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Committee meets at the request of the Board of Directors or at the request of the Executive Director to address short- and long-term planning and assessment needs of the District. The Chairman and/or Executive Director directs the scope of the Committee's review and program development.

The CEDS Committee is comprised of the board members that are annually elected to serve as the Executive Board to better reflect the primary role that the Executive Board serves in reviewing and approving of the priority projects of the District. Therefore, the members of the CEDS Committee for 2005 have been:

Crawford County:	John Stutzman, Chairperson and Leavenworth Town Council President; Bill Byrd, Town of Milltown Appointee;
Dubois County:	Beverly Schulthise, Treasurer, and Ferdinand Town Clerk-Treasurer; Larry Vollmer, Secretary and Dubois County Commissioners President; Larry Wehr, Town of Birdseye Council President;
Orange County:	J.A. Bateman, Town of West Baden Appointee;
Perry County:	Alan Cassidy, Perry County Councilman;
Pike County:	Paul Lake, Pike County Commissioners' Appointee;
Spencer County:	Robert Adams, Vice-Chairperson and Chrisney Town Councilman; Mike Kamp, Santa Claus Town Councilman; and
Governor's Appointee:	Patricia Ramsey.

COORDINATING FUNCTION

The staff of the Commission additionally consults with local officials and economic development corporation directors as advisory members to identify the key development projects on at least an annual basis. The Executive Director and staff of the Commission then utilize a point system to objectively rank the significant economic and community development projects within each county and within the District. Regular updates of industrial park developments are provided, as well as tracking of closures or labor reductions of the area's industries. Members of the CEDS Committee and the advisory members are all active participants within their respective counties in economic development efforts and business development activities.