

Proposed EDF agreements

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Application 1: Tri-County Saw Shop

SUMMARY: The Tri-County Saw Shop recently opened its new location at 7551 NW 150th Street in Chiefland, after relocating from its previous location at 11571 NW 74th Ct. in Chiefland. The business had been at the former address for about four years.

Owner Steven Crews wanted more visibility and accessibility while adding more retail/showroom space. It was initially expected three additional jobs would be added through the expansion, though more jobs were brought on.

While an application had been on file for quite some time, construction delays and the recent pandemic prevented the app from being processed sooner. Based on the application score, an impact analysis and other factors considered including similarly awarded projects, the requested incentive amount will be in the range of 7-\$10,000.

Application 2: Taylor Trailers

SUMMARY: The 17-year old trailer manufacturer desires to relocate to a larger property to allow more services to be performed. Currently, it is landlocked at its present location at 14298 South Hwy. 19 in Chiefland. There is tremendous volume of orders that adding more square footage and increased production would significantly address.

Owner Shawn Taylor is looking at two sites – one nearby the shop and another in Williston – and the projected costs. A loan would be sought to close on either one, and an incentive award would help provide the required down payment. At least 4 new welding positions would open up as a result of a larger building, at average annual wages of \$35,000. All 13 currently employed would be retained.

With a high application score, a target industry that feeds off of the College of Central Florida's Welding Technology Center and other factors, a recommended incentive award would be expected to be in the range of 15-\$20,000.