Manufacturing and Logistics

Niches: *Manufacturing*-Assembly of Electronics, Energy Components, Environmental and Aerospace Technologies, Agriculture Manufacturing, Brewing/Distilling, and Future Technologies

*Logistics*-Rail, Air, Truck, Storage

Strategies:

* Develop a logistics hub that includes cold storage near the Columbus and Antelope Wells Port-of-Entries to increase the international economic opportunities.
* Capitalize on the rail and airport infrastructure throughout the region to increase commerce activities.
* Increase recruitment efforts of manufacturing or logistic companies to the region’s industrial parks.
* Encourage the expansion of workforce programs to meet the needs of manufacturing businesses in the region.
* Support the research and development of innovative and future manufacturing and logistic technologies.
* Encourage development of aerospace and clean energy technology manufacturing in the region.
* Initiate communication with logging companies and the US Forest Service to help the gap in logging area restrictions.
* Develop a agriculture distribution hubs throughout the region.

Key Partners:

* Deming Luna County Economic Development Corporation
* Small Business Development Center
* Spaceport America
* International Business Accelerator
* New Mexico Economic Development Department
* New Mexico Department of Workforce Connection
* New Mexico Department of Transportation
* New Mexico Partnership
* New Mexico Border Authority
* New Mexico Manufacturing Extension Partnership
* Workforce Connection
* Union Pacific
* Burlington Northern Santa Fe
* Public Service Company of New Mexico
* Navopche Electric Co-op
* Columbus Electric Co-Op
* School Districts
* Western New Mexico University
* New Mexico State University
* NMSU Arrowhead Center
* New Mexico Tech
* Chambers of Commerce
* Airports
* New Mexico Gas Company
* El Paso Natural Gas
* Sandia National Lab
* Los Alamos National Lab

Vulnerabilities

* Cyber Security
* Adequate warehousing for stockpiling capabilities for emergencies
* Roads
* Port-of-Entry closures
* Restriction gaps in logging areas