ANNUAL ASSESSMENT REPORT
AND
STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE
Year: 2005

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Section 1. Goals and Accomplishments

Goal 1: Building and deepening regional economic infrastructure.

- 1. Completed conversion of three wireless network backbone links from unlicensed to licensed radio frequencies. Network reliability has been greatly enhanced.
- Have begun to provide IP transport for South Plains College from Levelland to Plainview.
- Have begun to provide IP transport for Internet 2 from TTU to Floydada ISD.
- Participated in acquisition of a $1.5 million award to TTU from U. S. Department of Energy for development of wind power in West Texas. Our credited share was $300,000.

Goal 2: Collection and publication of regional economic data and conditions.

- Have built a database of ES-202 (fully disclosed employment and income data from the Unemployment Insurance records) employment data for the Lubbock MSA, the South Plains Workforce Development Area, and the State of Texas. These data will enable us to conduct applied research at a detailed establishment level of employment.
- Have completed design and development of a quarterly regional economic newsletter on current economic conditions. The first issue is set for distribution during March 2006. Each issue will also include a text piece of topical interest on the local/regional economy.
Section 2. Universal Quantitative Data

There are no Universal Quantitative Data for this area/unit.
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Area/Unit Specific Information

Section 3a. Quantitative Information

There is No Area Specific Data in Calendar Year Section.
There is No Area Specific Data in Fall Section.
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Section 3b. Qualitative Information.
There is no qualitative information for the current year.
Section 4. Strategic Planning Update.

There is no strategic plan update for the current year.

Commentary:

There is no commentary for the current year.

Implementation Plan:

There is no implementation plan for the current year.