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MISSION

- Assisting in the development of Minnesota's economy by providing coordinated leadership and resources related to business development and job growth in the State.
- Protect the State's economic, environmental and legal interests by carefully coordinating economic strategy.



Objectives

- To utilize state resources to expedite the delivery of financial resources, technical resources, licenses and other state authorizations and approvals for projects
- Work with high economic impact projects/businesses



Minnesota Business First Stop

- Part of Governor Dayton's Better Government Initiative
- Multi-Tiered/Interagency Process to Support Job Creation and Development in Minnesota
- Sector Examples:
 - Mining, Energy and Green Enterprises, Manufacturing, Small Business, Agri-businesses, Forestry, Special Projects as assigned



Minnesota Business First Stop Goals

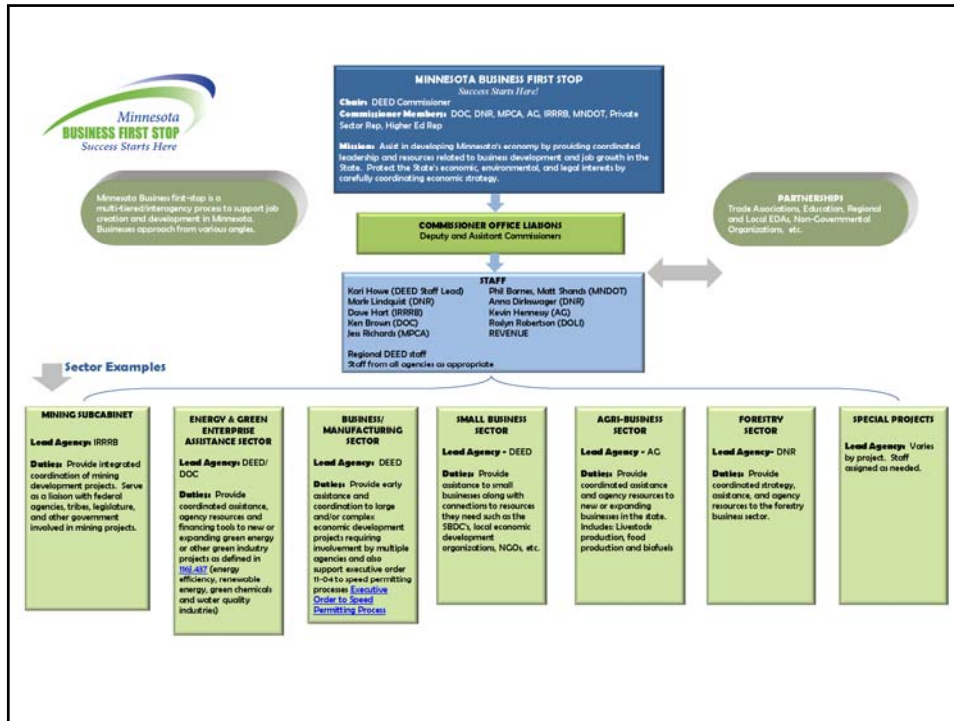
- Create Good Jobs
- Grow and Expand Minnesota Businesses
- Deliver Services Efficiently and Effectively
- Improve Minnesota Business Climate
 - Improve permitting relationships
 - Utilize multi-agency collaborative expertise, resulting in a client-focused approach that gives people a warm reception



Partner Agencies

- Employment and Economic Development – Lead Agency
- Agriculture
- Commerce
- Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board
- Labor and Industry
- Natural Resources
- Pollution Control Agency
- Revenue
- Transportation





Target Clients

- High economic impact projects
 - Based on jobs or strategic potential
- Projects with complex permitting requirements
- Projects requiring multiple state agency networks
- Companies wanting to site or expand



Methods

- First Stop, Success Starts Here
- Connecting people to people network
- Concierge



The screenshot shows the website for the Minnesota Business First Stop. At the top, it features the 'POSITIVELY Minnesota' logo and the Department of Employment and Economic Development. A search bar is present with a dropdown menu set to 'Entire Site' and a 'Go' button. Navigation tabs include 'JOB SEEKERS', 'BUSINESS', 'GOVERNMENT', 'Programs & Services', 'Data', 'Publications', 'News', 'Events', 'About Us', and 'Contact Us'. The main content area is titled 'MINNESOTA BUSINESS FIRST STOP' and includes a 'FOR BUSINESS' sidebar with a 'Business Menu' listing categories like 'STARTING A BUSINESS', 'MANAGING A BUSINESS', 'FINANCING A BUSINESS', 'LOCATING IN MINNESOTA', 'EXPORTING AND TRADE', 'FINDING WORKERS', 'GET HELP FROM OUR EXPERTS', and 'GREEN BUSINESS ASSISTANCE'. The main content area also features a 'Topics' section with links to various sectors: Business First Stop Assistance Team, Agri-Business Sector, Energy and Green Enterprise Sector, Forestry Sector, Manufacturing Sector, Mining Sector, Small Business Sector, and Locating in Minnesota.

Questions?

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