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Governor Evers and WEDC Secretary and CEO Missy Hughes to meet with economic development leaders in statewide tour

'Get acquainted' tour will enable new WEDC chief to meet local, regional leaders in economic development

MADISON, WI. OCT. 4, 2019 – Governor Tony Evers and Missy Hughes, secretary and CEO of the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) will visit communities across Wisconsin next week in a series of events highlighting the state's economic development efforts.

"I'm excited to join Secretary Hughes as we meet with our economic development stakeholders throughout the state. I know she is eager to hear about the great things happening in our communities and how we can ensure they continue to grow and thrive," said Governor Evers.

Hughes, who began her new role with WEDC on Oct. 1, said the sessions "will allow me to see firsthand Wisconsin's many successes and to better understand the challenges facing our communities. We want to work together to create a vibrant economy that benefits all our citizens. I look forward to meeting with local and regional leaders to hear how WEDC is assisting them – and what more we can do to help."

The visits will include meetings with WEDC's nine regional economic development partners: Visions Northwest; Momentum West; 7 Rivers Alliance; Prosperity Southwest; Grow North; Centergy; the Madison Regional Economic Partnership; the New North, and Milwaukee 7.

The governor and Secretary Hughes will also meet with local government officials, business leaders, educators, and other state, local and regional economic partners. The governor is tentatively scheduled to join Secretary Hughes in Rhinelander, Wausau, Green Bay, Waukesha and Eau Claire.

The schedule includes the following stops:

Monday, Oct. 7: Rhinelander, Wausau and Phillips.

Tuesday, Oct. 8: Stevens Point and Green Bay.

Wednesday, Oct. 9: Green Bay, Manitowoc, Appleton and Waukesha.

Thursday, Oct. 10: Milwaukee and Madison.

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Friday, Oct. 11: Eau Claire.

Monday, Oct. 14: La Crosse and Prairie du Chien.

Governor Evers and Secretary Hughes will also meet with WEDC's regional economic development staff during their visits.

"WEDC has a team of highly motivated professionals who are dedicated to making sure every part of our state prospers," Secretary Hughes said. "I can't wait to get out and learn more about the good work WEDC is doing."

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About the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation

The Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) leads economic development efforts for the state by advancing and maximizing opportunities in Wisconsin for businesses, communities and people to thrive in a globally competitive environment. Working with more than 600 regional and local partners, WEDC develops and delivers solutions representative of a highly responsive and coordinated economic development network. Visit wedc.org or follow WEDC on Twitter @WEDCNews to learn more.

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