Economic Development Update Economic Development Appropriations



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Today's Presentation:

- Updates
 - 3D Printer
 - Advance Iowa
- New Initiatives
 - Supporting Entrepreneur Growth





Rapid Casting Technology

Operated under the direction of the UNI Metal Casting Center



 Largest printable area available in any 3D printer in North America and can produce molds for virtually any metal alloy





Rapid Casting Technology

 Located off Campus at the Cedar Valley TechWorks

 Provides a solid starting point for the lowa Advanced Manufacturing Center





Status Report

- August 22, placed order for equipment
- September 9th, printer arrived on Boeing 747 from Germany
- September 27th installed the printer
- October 14th started printing 1209 lbs. of prototype cores for Deere & Company
- January 22nd received America Makes (NAMII) award
- Currently working with 20 private industry companies, 4 universities and 5 state and federal organizations



Rapid Casting Technology

- Provides the ability to support lowal Manufacturers including:
- Deere & Company New Tractor
 Build New Engine Prototypes
- UES, Waverly Limited production hydraulic swivel castings
- Emerson Process Control –
 Replacement of Imported
 Investment Castings
- Caterpillar Wear bushings
- Vermeer Manufacturing Wear Plates
- See Bee Foundry Turbo Housings
- Viking Pump
- Wellman Dynamics Fansteel
- American Pattern Company





Keeping Iowa Companies Competitive

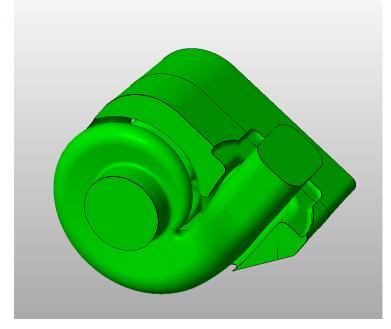








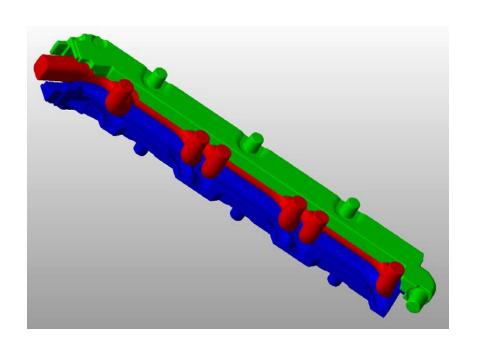






Transforming Imagination into Reality

Conformable Natural Gas Tank



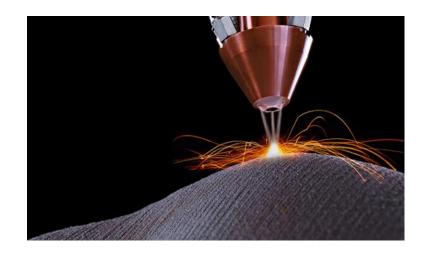


Water Cooled Exhaust Manifolds

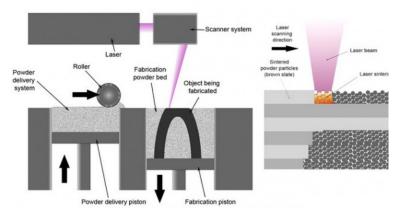
Next Phase of 3-D Printing – Direct Metal



Bonded Metal, Furnace Infiltration



Laser Sintered,
Direct Metal
Printed



Sintered,
Direct Metal
Printed





Direct Metal Printing

Making Iowa a Technology Leader

- Building on similar sustainable technology model as currently being used in Sand Mold Printing
- Ability to provide advanced technology solutions to almost any manufacturing company in Iowa
- Ability to integrate alloys, materials and expertise that are "lowa Home Grown"
- Ability to attract additional funding through leveraging of advanced technology resources
- Continued sustainability for UNI, IIC and TechWorks through IAMC



Advance Iowa: Iowa's Economic Gardening Program

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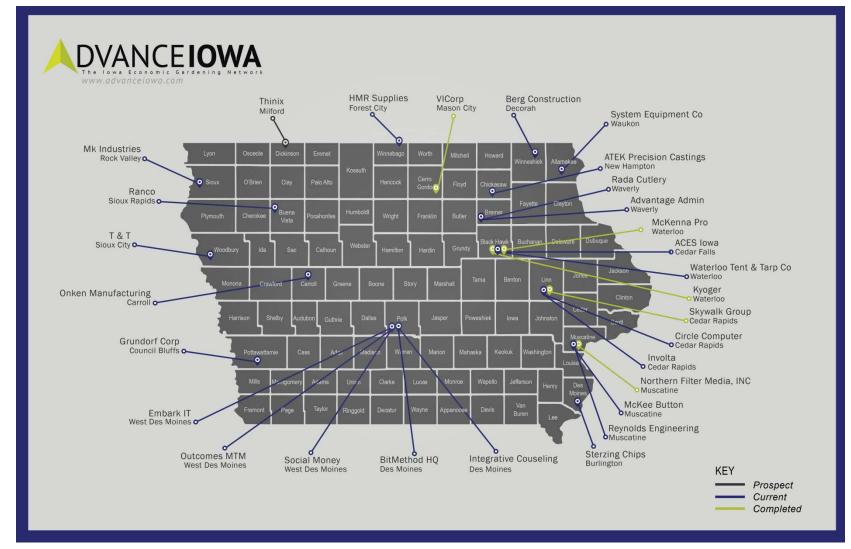
What is Economic Gardening?

- Economic development program focused on growing existing mid-sized lowa firms (10-100 employees)
- Engages tools and resources that these firms would not be able to access otherwise
- What is Provided?
 - Custom research
 - New Media/E-commerce analysis
 - Competitive intelligence
 - Sales leads
 - Market/Industry Research





Clients Served





Example Report For Systems Equipment – Waukon, IA





Client Testimonial

EmbarkIT - www.embarkit.com Anita Messerschmidt, Owner/CEO

- IT services firm based in West Des Moines
- Project focused on market research, creating a target customer profile, competitive intelligence, and web strategy



Supporting Entrepreneur Growth

Iowa Business Concierge



800 Small Businesses
Served - All Online!
Goal – double those served
Add to local development websites



-Ask Us Anything

Referrals
Mailing lists
Demographics
Competition info
Industry trends
Grants/loans



Supporting Entrepreneur Growth

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Peer roundtables

Apps Lab - JPEC

- Expand pilot phase
- Support entrepreneurs

Dream Big – Grow Here

–More Partners





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