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Featured Business: Wayne Manufacturing



Wayne Manufacturing has operated since 1959 as a leading steel fabricator in the greater Central Ohio area. The company is a full-service manufacturer of high-quality fabricated steel products including all types of structural and architectural steel, stairs and railings and custom fabrication needs.

Wayne Manufacturing is centrally located in the Airport Business Park in Zanesville, OH. Their 30,000 square foot facility offers much potential for expansion. The company relocated in 2015 from Duncan Falls and the shop was expanded in 2016 to allow for the production of Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) certified state and county bridge rails for the state of Ohio.

As of early 2020, Wayne Manufacturing became an AISC certified building fabricator and simple bridge fabricator which provided the potential to bid larger scale projects. The certification has significantly streamlined the fabrication process, providing multiple quality control measures to ensure the products are delivered accurately and per project specifications using only domestic produced materials.

Wayne Manufacturing is fortunate to have many long standing employees, some have been with the company for 25 years. The 10 welder/fabricators on staff are AWS D 1.1 certified and the ODOT fabricators are D 1.5 certified for bridge work.

Wayne Manufacturing operates as first shift only Monday-Friday with additional overtime as needed during times of high volume. The company feels very fortunate to have been considered essential workers and experienced no layoff periods or lack of work due to the pandemic.



Mideast Career and Technology Center Steel Building



Zane State Cambridge Campus Pedestrian Bridge



Grange Audubon Building



Philo Bridge



OMEGA was recently re-approved by the State of Ohio for the **Regional 166 Loan Program**. The Regional 166 Loan Program offers fixed at/or below interest rate loans to existing private-for-profit businesses engaged in:

- Commerce
- Distribution
- Manufacturing
- Industrial (business-to-business)

Businesses must be expanding and creating full-time job opportunities within the Ohio



The **Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District** honored outgoing Development Advisory Committee (DAC) members Matt Abbott, Al Fearon, Ed Lee, and Dana McDaniel.

The DAC will be looking to fill seven seats beginning in 2022. If you have any interest or recommendations, please feel free to contact the **Muskingum County Watershed Conservancy District**.

Plans are in place to move the DAC into an organized body under the Executive Director. As an organized body under the Executive Director, the DAC will be able to utilize virtual venues when necessary. Although the DAC and the Subcommittees

counties of: Belmont, Carroll, Columbiana, Coshocton, Guernsey, Harrison, Holmes, Jefferson, Muskingum, and Tuscarawas.

The 166-loan program can finance **up to 40%** of an eligible project with a **maximum loan amount of \$500,000**. The balance of the loan request will be financed through equity and third-party investors or private lenders. If there is no third-party financing, up to 75% of the project may be funded by the 166 program with the remainder funded by the borrower's equity contribution.

Allowable project costs include:

- Purchase of land and/or building with the business occupying at least 51% of the premises
- Acquisition of machinery and equipment
- Building construction and/or renovation costs with the business occupying at least 60% of the premises
- Long-term leasehold improvements
- Capitalizable costs directly related to fixed asset purchases

I am sending you this email to ask if you know of any industrial or manufacturing businesses within Muskingum County that may be interested in learning more about our Regional 166 Loan Program opportunities that I may be able to contact? I would be more than happy to contact these business directly, or it could be something that you and I coordinate and we could reach out to them together.

The Zanesville Muskingum County Port Authority can assist companies with questions about applying or setting up meetings with representatives from OMEGA.

For more information on this program or assistance with the pre-application [CLICK HERE](#)

will continue to meet in-person, the virtual option will make it possible for members to participate when physically attending is difficult. Meetings will still be open to the public regardless of a physical meeting or virtual meeting. [Click here](#) to learn more about the DAC.



Craig Butler & Matt Abbott

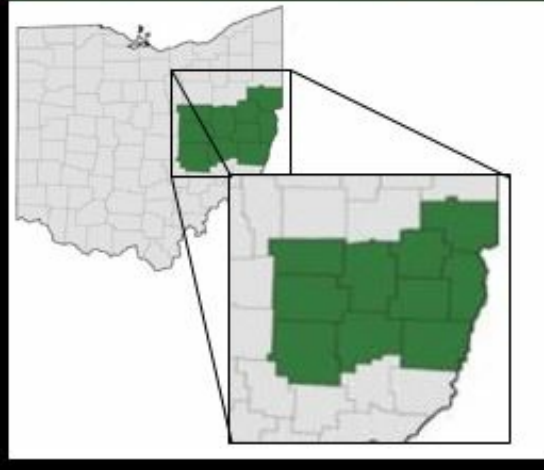


The Muskingum River Watershed, covers more than 8,000 square miles and drains into the Muskingum River. It is the largest wholly contained watershed in the state of Ohio, covering about 20 percent of the state.

The Muskingum River empties into the Ohio River at Marietta. The system of reservoirs and dams in the watershed offers flood reduction and water conservation benefits to the region's residents.

The Muskingum Watershed Conservancy

OMEGA Region



District (MWCD), a political subdivision of the State of Ohio, was responsible for the development of the reservoirs and dams.

Today the MWCD is dedicated to providing the benefits of flood reduction, water conservation and recreational opportunities in the Muskingum River Watershed.

We are proud to share the third video in a series promoting Zanesville and Muskingum County. This project was made possible by a generous grant partnership with Ohio Means Jobs - Muskingum County (OMJ). The Zanesville Muskingum County Port Authority, Zanesville Muskingum County Chamber of Commerce, and Zanesville Convention and Visitor's Bureau were able to join with OMJ to showcase our area.

Click the photo below and get ready to see all the ways that **#SuccessLivesHere**.

MUSKINGUM COUNTY, OH
LARGE BUSINESS



The Zanesville Muskingum County Port Authority was awarded OhioSE Site Readiness Grant in the amount of \$23,267. These funds will be used to begin the due diligence process on a Muskingum County site that has long term potential for development. The



What can a BRE do for your business?

- Help find ways to get employees through your door

grant will cover the following items:

- Preliminary Engineering
- Site Development Plans
- Wetlands Delineation
- Threatened & Endangered Species Study

“Site selection is moving faster than ever before,” according to OhioSE President Mike Jacoby. “Companies, brokers and site consultants typically eliminate a site from consideration if there are unanswered questions about whether a site is ‘ready’ for construction. That’s why having all due diligence and engineering studies are so important. We commend the Zanesville-Muskingum County Port Authority for its proactive work do prepare new sites. We believe they will continue to win more projects because of their efforts.”

- Connect you with local, regional and state programs to help train those employees
- Introduce you to programs that may allow you to upgrade and add new equipment
- Connect you to programs that may offer paid training for your employees
- Help you plan for expansion projects

Scheduling a **Business Retention & Expansion** meeting, either at your business or via Zoom, is a great place to start.

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