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NORTHWEST FOURSLIDE; HOSTS RIBBON CUTTING EVENT

Northwest Fourslide Signals Long-Term Investment and Commitment to Lewiston Community

Lewiston, ID (July 18, 2024) – Northwest Fourslide, a leading manufacturer of thin-gauge metal stampings and wire forms, will proudly celebrate the grand opening of its brand-new facility at the Port of Lewiston today at 9:00 am. Situated along the Clearwater River, this state-of-the-art space represents a significant milestone, completed in just one year since the groundbreaking ceremony. Joining them for the ribbon cutting event is Tom Kealey, Director from the Idaho Department of Commerce, Doug Zenner, Commissioner for Nez Perce County, and Dan Johnson, Mayor of the City of Lewiston.

A Flagship Facility for the Future

"We're thrilled to officially open our doors in Lewiston," said Matt Mellinger, Director of Northwest Fourslide. "This isn't just a new facility; it's a *flagship location* that we plan to call home for years to come. This investment underscores our long-term commitment to the region and its talented workforce."

Beyond Strategic Advantages: Aligning with Idaho's Manufacturing Strength

While the strategic location and skilled labor pool were attractive factors, Mellinger emphasized the importance of Idaho's supportive business environment. "We were particularly impressed by the state's dedication to fostering a thriving manufacturing sector," he said. **"Idaho's strong manufacturing presence and Lewiston's longstanding familiarity with the industry's needs truly resonated with our values.** This alignment solidified our decision to establish a major presence here in the Lewis-Clark Valley.

Investing in Innovation and the Local Economy

The impressive new facility occupies a 6-acre site at the Port of Lewiston. The expansive 43,000-square-foot production area, coupled with dedicated office space, represents an investment of approximately \$11 million. Additionally, Northwest Fourslide invested a further \$2.5 million in cutting-edge machinery and equipment. **This commitment to innovation positions Northwest Fourslide for continued growth and success.**

A Breathtaking Setting and Positive Impact

Beyond its functionality, the facility boasts a truly unique location. Overlooking the confluence of the Snake and Clearwater Rivers, the site offers a breathtaking view that cannot be matched elsewhere. The grand opening marks the culmination of a year of dedicated work and collaboration. Northwest Fourslide is already making a positive impact on the local economy, having hired a team of 35 talented individuals. This team is comprised of 18 skilled professionals who relocated from Oregon, bringing their expertise to Lewiston, and the remaining 17 represent new hires from the Lewis-Clark Valley.

Lewiston Celebrates a Collaborative Spirit

Lewiston Mayor, Dan Johnson, declared the grand opening of Northwest Fourslide's new facility a momentous occasion for the city. "Their substantial investment demonstrates their faith in the Lewis-Clark Valley and represents a true commitment to Lewiston," he stated. Mayor Johnson continued, "We're particularly grateful to our city staff and department heads for their outstanding work. Their dedication to efficient permitting and approvals played a crucial role in streamlining the development process. This collaborative spirit is a hallmark of Lewiston, making it an attractive location for businesses to grow and thrive."

About Northwest Fourslide:

Northwest Fourslide is a leading provider of high-quality thin-gauge metal stampings and wire forms. Their commitment to innovation and customer satisfaction has fueled their growth for over four decades. Visit their website at <https://nw4s.com/> to learn more.

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