

**CEDS Project Proposal – INITIAL PROJECT BRIEF -- 2004**

**Project Sponsors:** Complete and return this form by Friday, May 21, 2004 by MAIL, FAX, or E-MAIL:

**To:** Berkshire Regional Planning Commission, 1 Fenn St., Suite 201, Pittsfield, MA 01201

**Fax:** 413-442-1523 **Attn.:** Peter Falcier; **E-MAIL:** pfalcier@berkshireplanning.org

*This INITIAL PROJECT BRIEF is intended to provide an introduction to the project or project idea, and will be followed up by other requests for more detailed information, as necessary. Fill in or check off, as indicated.*

**PROJECT NAME:** Lane Property

Community: Lee

Project Sponsors: Lee Community Development Corporation

Project Sponsor(s) Contact Person: RICHARD H. VINETTE, JR.

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Location of Project (Street Address):

**TYPE OF PROJECT:** (Check boxes to specify type in rows below)

**Physical:**

Building

Site

Infrastructure

**Public & Private Institutions & Programs:**

Workforce

Business Assistance

Other

**Public Sector Policy**

**PROVIDE A BRIEF PROJECT DESCRIPTION OR STATEMENT OF THE PROPOSED CONCEPT:**

The Lee CDC has identified the LANE property as one of the largest undeveloped industrially zoned parcels in berkshire County. The property is currently used as a gravel mining operation and the site of an asphalt plant.

**CURRENT PROJECT STATUS: READINESS TO PROCEED** (check as appropriate)

**Ready for Construction**

Site Control: check:

Public

Private

Non-Profit

**Planning Stages**

Completed

Underway

Needed

Feasibility or Planning Studies:

Preliminary engineering plans:

Financial & Cost estimates:

Marketing study:

Permitting:

Organizational/Management Plan:

Partners and project sponsors:  Identified

Committed

**Concept or Early planning stages**

**COMMENT ABOUT PROJECT STATUS:**

Briefly summarize what's been done (actions taken; studies completed) and what the next steps are:

**TOTAL ESTIMATED PROJECT COST:**

Required local/regional funding match identified:

YES

NO

Funding partners:

Amount:

Amount:

**EMPLOYMENT & WAGE EFFECTS:**

Number of full-time (FTE) (non-construction)

Jobs created:

Jobs retained:

unknown at present

Skills or education level required for new jobs created:

Labor Force expected to be drawn primarily from: (list below)

Communities:

Number:

Sub-Regions (North, Central, South)

Number:

Wage levels (range):

**PROJECT BENEFITS:**

Explain how this project will create or retain jobs, improve the economic conditions of the region, or meet a goal of the regional economic strategy.

This large parcel could potentially support the creation of many jobs. An important goal of the regional economic strategy is to identify potential sites for industrial development. This site represents one of the only large scale sites in the county.

Please briefly describe factors which make this project of regional significance (a regional priority?), and other project benefits not previously discussed.

See above.

**Will this project meet Massachusetts Sustainable Development Principles?**

(See enclosed/attached sheet from the Office for Commonwealth Development).

**Name/Signature of Applicant: Richard Vinette**

**Date: May 21, 2004**

