

Section 5.6 - The Role Moorhead ABE Has in Developing and Implementing the Regional Transitions Plan

The Northwest Region comprises consortia from Alexandria, Brainerd, Cass Lake-Bena, Lakes Area, Fergus Falls/Moorhead, Lakes & Prairies, Northwest Services Cooperative, Red Lake, Tri-County Corrections, and White Earth. Representatives from each of these ABE consortia in the region meet in person quarterly, by email, phone, and since COVID-19, also by electronic platforms such as Zoom to collaborate with the Regional Transitions Coordinator, Russ Fraenkel.

These meetings serve as an opportunity to identify, discuss and address the local and regional transitions needs based on the information from boards and committees that members serve on, existing partnerships, and key industries in the Region 1 including but not limited to:

2 Local Workforce Development Areas:

- *LWDA 1 - Northwest Private Industry Council (PIC)*
- *LWDA 2 - Rural Minnesota Concentrated Employment Program, Inc. (CEP)*

7 American Job Centers & 1 Affiliate Job Center

- *Bemidji*
- *Brainerd*
- *Crookston (Affiliate Job Center)*
- *Detroit Lakes*
- *Fergus Falls*
- *Little Falls, Moorhead*
- *Thief River Falls*
- *Wadena*

14 Universities, Minnesota State Colleges and Tribal Higher Education Institutions

- *Alexandria Technical and Community College (Alexandria)*
- *Bemidji State University (Bemidji)*
- *Central Lakes College (Brainerd)*
- *Minnesota State Community and Technical College (Detroit Lakes)*
- *Minnesota State Community and Technical College (Fergus Falls)*
- *Minnesota State Community and Technical College (Moorhead)*
- *Minnesota State Community and Technical College (Wadena)*
- *Moorhead State University (Moorhead)*
- *Northland Community and Technical College (East Grand Forks Campus)*

- *Northland Community and Technical College (Thief River Falls Campus)*
- *Northwest Technical College (Bemidji)*
- *Leech Lake Tribal College (Cass Lake)*
- *Red Lake Nation College (Red Lake)*
- *White Earth Tribal and Community College (Mahnomen)*

5 Perkins Consortiums

- *Central Lakes*
- *Lakes Country*
- *North Country*
- *Pine to Prairie/Northland*
- *Runestone*

The White Earth ABE program is grateful that the Moorhead ABE Program Manager offered to represent our consortium by serving on multiple regional and local boards/committees addressing workforce, housing, and equity issues. This information is shared with the Northwest Manager group during plan development phases. If funding support is required to address a need, a proposal for funding is submitted.