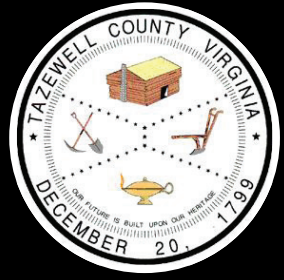




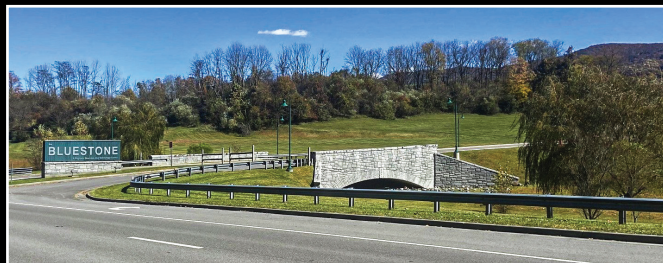
The Bluestone

A Business and Technology Center.



Imagine your business in Southwest Virginia,
Where technology exists with nature...

A 680 Acre,
Live, Learn, Work, Play,
Development!



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TAZEWELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS

The Bluestone is a 680-acre mixed-used development, situated at the gateway of Virginia's e-Region. This development is immersed in an environment full of natural, recreational resources and amenities, where one can work, live, learn and play. It is the perfect setting for high quality research, technology and advanced manufacturing businesses. It is the perfect setting for training your employees. It is the perfect setting for building a dream home and the perfect setting for outdoor recreation such as golfing, hiking, and biking.

The geographic location of The Bluestone, the stable business environment, the infrastructure, aggressive business assistance, along with the added bonus of a safe, family-focused community are just a few of the reasons companies are checking out The Bluestone.

We invite you to consider the strength of Virginia's economy, the excellent geographic location, the premium quality of life to make **The Bluestone** your new home.

COME TO VIRGINIA

Advanced Manufacturing Companies "Say Yes" to Virginia

Virginia's compelling cost advantages, highly skilled workforce and world-class logistics network have led more than 6,000 manufacturers to locate in the Commonwealth. Companies have even improved their bottom line just by locating in Virginia. From competitively priced and reliable energy to more productive workers, our companies benefit from the combination of resources that only a Virginia location can offer. Virginia manufacturers enjoy low and stable taxes, competitive worker's compensation and unemployment insurance rates, with right-to-work laws. Learn more about why some of the world's top manufacturing companies found their home in Virginia at www.yesvirginia.org.

Virginia Continues to Lead the Nation

National Site Selectors and Independent Studies have confirmed what many businesses like yours already know: that Virginia is one of the best states for business. In the past six years Virginia has consistently been ranked among the top states in both studies. Only a few locations can offer a business-friendly environment that can lead to success. Virginia is one of those locations. The Commonwealth of Virginia's unique combination of assets has encouraged businesses to prosper here for years.

COME TO OUR REGION

Virginia's e-Region is a Southeastern U.S. location for electronic information technology, energy, education and emerging specialty manufacturing. The Region is marketed by the Virginia Coalfield Economic Development Authority (VCEDA). VCEDA operates several unique incentive and financing programs to encourage new job creation and economic diversification. Financial support for fixed assets, construction of buildings for sale or lease, installation of utilities and direct loans to private for profit basic employers and industrial development authorities. Financing is based in part upon the number of new jobs created, wage rates and private investment.



The region welcomes and supports new businesses and entrepreneurs, and also has an aggressive existing industry support program that includes scheduled visitations to inform companies of resources and training, as well as listen to their needs and concerns.

AGGRESSIVE BUSINESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

- **Virginia Enterprise Zone Real Property and Job Creation Grants.**
- **Virginia Coalfield Economic Development Authority (VCEDA) – Low interest loan and grant programs.**
- **Virginia Tobacco Commission Economic Development Program.**
- **Data Center sales tax exemption.**
- **Commonwealth Opportunity Fund grant program.**
- **Virginia Jobs Investment Program.**
- **Virginia Small Business Financing Authority loan and loan guaranty programs.**
- **USDA Rural Development Loan Guarantee.**
- **Low tax structure.**

REGIONAL LIFESTYLE - EXQUISITE BEAUTY

The Bluestone plain is an urban development in a rural setting. Today, the Bluestone plan envisions a high quality technology, research and advance manufacturing center immersed in an environment full of natural and recreational resources. The Bluestone is a lifestyle work environment suited to the natural and heritage resources of the center.

- Subdivisions and acreage available.
- Beautiful location.
- All public schools are accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.
- Boating, fishing, camping, hiking, birding and hunting available throughout the region.
- Weather – Moderate – Four distinct seasons.
- Medical Services – Hospitals, Clinics & Urgent Care.
- Shopping – Numerous shopping centers, antique markets and shopping malls within region.

EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



Respected, convenient, and affordable education options are an important part of community and economic development. From workforce technical training to colleges and universities that offer master's and doctorate – level programs, The Bluestone is located in an area with diverse and prolific higher education options. That means the Bluestone has access to a well-trained workforce with options for ongoing workforce education.

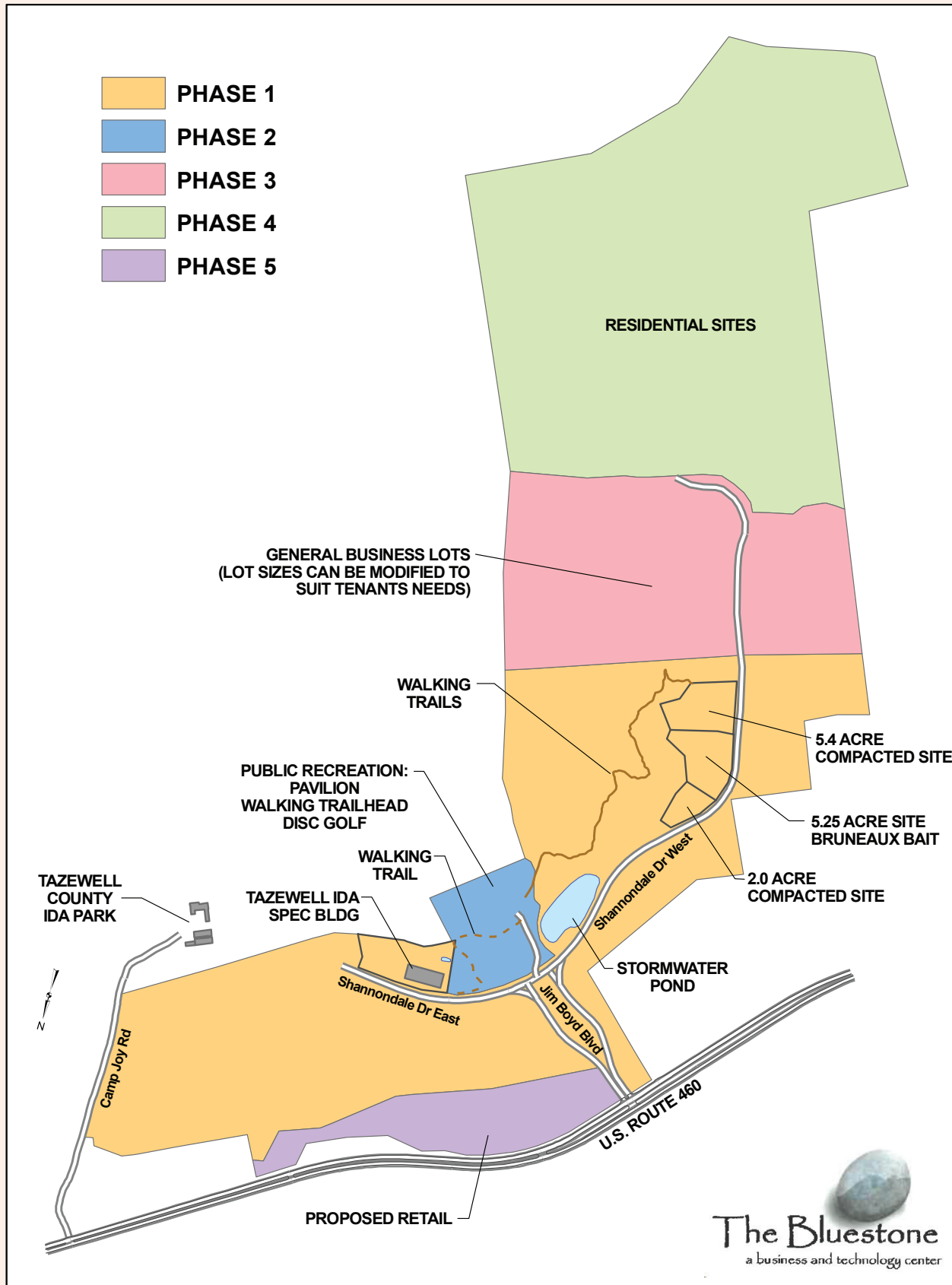
UTILITIES

- **Electricity Provider – Appalachian Power**
- **Primary Telecom Provider – Point Broadband**
- **Water Provider – Tazewell County Public Service Authority – 8 inches: 1000 GPM – 250,000-GAL Water Storage Tank.**
- **Sewer Provider – Tazewell County Public Service Authority – Onsite gravity feed sewer line has 0.3 MGD capacity; wastewater treatment plant reserve capacity is approximately 2.0 MGD.**

FIBER BACKBONE

- **CPC/Optinet T1/NxT1/T3 (10 gbs) – Provides basic connectivity between business locations.**
- **Ethernet (10 Mbps – 1 Gbps) – Ideal for WAN connectivity, VoIP, and internet service. Ethernet can be delivered as switched (many sites) or point to point (two sites). Service options include quality of service, site management, performance reporting, equipment and maintenance.**
- **Optical (155 - 10Gbps) – Designed for businesses needing reliability and high bandwidth. Optical services are typically designed as a ring to prevent a single point of failure and are guaranteed by service level agreements.**
- **MPLS (1.5 Mbps – 10 Gbps) – Provides geographically dispersed companies with one network that connects to multiple carriers with a variety of transport options (T1, T3, Ethernet, Optical, DSL, Wireless and Satellite).**

Live ... Learn ... Work ... Play



Location

The Bluestone Regional Business and Technology Center is situated on the south side of U.S. Route 460 between the towns of Bluefield, Virginia and Tazewell, Virginia in the Virginia Coalfield Economic Development Authority region (Southwest Virginia's e-Region). The Bluestone is ideally located within the geographic center of the east coast and within one day's drive of 50% of the most populous states in the country in a sensational natural environment. Interstate 81 and 64 are within approximately 40 minutes of the center and I-77 is located only fifteen minutes away.

