

TWO INDUSTRIAL SITES IN BIBB COUNTY EARN SPECIAL CERTIFICATION

MBCIA is proud to announce that Airport East Industrial Park and I-75 Business Park have earned a “Georgia Ready for Accelerated Development” (GRAD) certification with “Select” status.

Gary Wilson, MBCIA's Project Manager, has worked to create all geotechnical reports, boundaries, aerials, topographical maps, utility and capacity maps, demographics, perceived threats, and other items for the Georgia Department of Economic Development to be able to make their decision.

“MBCIA has worked diligently to support a business-friendly environment that supports both future and existing industries,” states Robby Fountain, Chairman of the Macon-Bibb County Industrial Authority. “Renewing Airport East Industrial Park’s GRAD-certified status and obtaining new GRAD certification for Interstate 75 Industrial Park sets Macon-Bibb County apart from other sites in the state. These certified sites show we can fast-track construction projects and showcase the standard of business we provide our industry partners.”

Read the entire release [here](#).

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

July was an exciting month for MBCIA! Coming off the heels of the successful investment that the new Agile Cold Storage facility brings to Macon, we have completed multiple Requests for Information (RFIs) and are gearing up for a productive and engaging year end!

The MBCIA team is excited to finalize planning for the Georgia Economic Developers Association (GEDA) monthly meeting and Georgia Chamber's Connections and Cocktails. With the help of community partners, we will get the chance to tell the story of Macon and the #MaconOpportunities that exist.

EXISTING INDUSTRY MANAGER REPORT

MBCIA Existing Industry Night at the Macon Bacon baseball game was a home run! Over 100 employees from various industries and their families mixed and mingled with colleagues throughout the evening. A great time was had by all!



Eleyce has also been helping industries with some major concerns this month. A Covid-19 resurgence, hiring needs, workforce requests, as well as trash and debris pickup in the industrial parks are all issues that directly affect our existing industry. Eleyce often works with Project Manager Gary Wilson to find solutions.

PROJECT MANAGER REPORT

Gary Wilson dedicated much of July to various ongoing projects. Working on preparations for the [Agile Cold Storage](#) and [Fine Fettle Dispensary \(FFD\)](#) groundbreakings, build-outs of existing buildings, fielding Requests for Information (RFI), and helping existing industry needs have kept Gary #MaconOpportunities for our community.

INDUSTRY IN MACON-BIBB COUNTY

July was dedicated to multiple marketing projects including the updated annual report, industry park promotional videos, press release creation and distribution, and updating signage around our industrial parks.