



Wisconsin Bio Industry Alliance

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Ethanol Gains Support in Wisconsin *Positive Economic and Environmental Impacts of Plants Cited*

CAMBRIA – Wisconsin's ethanol industry is growing. And plants like the one being constructed in Cambria continue to garner widespread support in Wisconsin because of their ability to create jobs and provide an economic boost to local communities while at the same time producing a fuel that is cheaper for consumers and better for the environment.

Earlier this week, Didion Milling held an open house to update community officials, investors, and interested parties about the progress of the plant's 40 million gallon ethanol facility under construction in Columbia County.

The plant, which is expected to go on line later this fall, will add more than 40 full-time positions with an average annual salary of approximately \$38,000. It's because of this type of economic impact that local officials, communities, and opinion leaders around the state are backing the renewable fuel industry in Wisconsin.

Alex Samardzich of Ace Ethanol in Stanley said he has seen firsthand the economic impact this type of facility has on Wisconsin communities.

"This is an exciting time for both Cambria and Didion," Samardzich said. "Having seen what the impact has been in Stanley, we're excited about what's around the corner for Didion Milling and the local community."

Throughout the construction process, officials estimate employing nearly 200 people, with special preference given to local products and services whenever possible both during and after construction.

Didion Milling is a founding member of the Wisconsin Bio Industry Alliance, a diverse group of businesses, environmental groups, and statewide and local organizations that have come together to build both public and legislative awareness of the Bio Industry in Wisconsin.

For more information about the Alliance, or to find out how to join, please visit our website at www.wisconsinbioindustry.com. The site also contains links to Wisconsin's current ethanol production facilities, as well as news and notes on those plants slated for construction and/or production in the coming months.

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