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Sumter County Economic Development Announces Groundbreaking Ceremony for Primus Pipe & Tube's \$30 Million Expansion Project in Sumter County, Florida

Wildwood, FL -



Sumter County Economic Development and the City of Wildwood are partnering to support Primus Pipe & Tube, a leading manufacturer of stainless steel pipe and tube, with their expansion in Sumter County, Florida. The groundbreaking ceremony for the new facility, which is estimated at \$30 million and 150,000 square feet, took place January 16, 2019. The expansion is expected to be completed by the Fall of 2020 and will include new tube mills and a slitting operation, along with polishing and inspection equipment. “The expansion of our Wildwood facility is an exciting opportunity for our company, and it will greatly enhance our ability to serve our North American customers. This project would not have been possible without the support of our ownership group (Ta Chen) and local government officials,” said Kris Podsiad, General Manager of Primus Pipe & Tube.

The new facility is an expansion of the company’s steel pipe and tube manufacturing operation in Wildwood, where they have been manufacturing for over 30 years. The expansion will result in the creation of 20 highly skilled jobs in Sumter County by 2021. “We are delighted that Primus Pipe & Tube is taking advantage of the strategic location and skilled workforce to expand their operations in Sumter County,” said Don Burgess, Chairman of the Sumter County Board of County Commissioners. “We look forward to their continued success.”

Primus Pipe & Tube is a leader in large diameter heavy wall pipes. Primus produces stainless steel pipes with the largest size range, including large-diameter heavy wall stainless steel pipe, of any producer in North America. Primus products are used in the most challenging environments, offering a combination of high strength, corrosion resistance, and cost savings for customers in a wide range of industries.

Primus Pipe & Tube offers the broadest range of stainless steel, nickel alloys, duplex, and many other exotic alloys.

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