

Taking the next step

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The initial values study is complete, but the work has just begun.

In July of this year, economic project High Plains Initiative (HPI) selected 110 Goshen and Platte County residents for a 10-minute telephone values study. Representatives of the polling firm Heart + Mind Strategies called the residents and gathered data on what they wished to preserve about their communities as well as what changes they will support. This data will be incorporated into the High Plains Initiative Growth Summit on Sept. 28 at Wheatland High School from 6 to 8 p.m.

"I'm feeling very positive about everything we've all done," Platte County Economic Development Director Dan Brecht said. "(Goshen and Platte Counties) have done multiple community assessments in the past. These are really important tools, but we have to use them. I see this is as taking the next step."

The summit is open to the public, and will feature an address by Gov. Dave Freudenthal, a review of recent growth trends courtesy of Envision Utah and a work session. This work session will include the "chip game," Building the Wyoming Want project coordinator Mary Hogarty said.

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