

JOED had some special guests this week! Senator Thom Tillis and staff members dropped in on Monday to say "hello" and catch up on calls and emails in between meetings.



The 2018-2019 Fiscal year began July 1st, and it started off BUSY! The JOED team has been bustling with Project Activity during the past 5 weeks! We had a new site visit (and revisit) last week and competed in the "Final Four" on another. Potential businesses are excited to know that Onslow County has a building ready for up-fitting to meet their specific needs. Since July 1st, we've responded to 16 Project Requests for Proposals (RFP) by companies from around the world. This is an exciting time for Jacksonville/Onslow County—all the years of planning, preparation, and patience have positioned us well to play in this very competitive high stakes marathon.

If you're wondering why you haven't received your yearly Investment Invoice yet...well, we have been really busy! But don't worry--it's in the mail!



Chris White, Ellis Airport Director (far left) discusses the powerful economic impact of local airports with NC Southeast developers (L-R) Joe Melvin, Steve Yost, and Ryan Reagan

JOED hosted the development team from the NC Southeast Partnership this week on their annual familiarization tour of their 18-member counties. We toured Onslow County to showcase the available and developing sites and buildings in our business and industrial parks and Ellis Airport. Many thanks to Mat Raymond III of Sanders Ford for the use of an Expedition to comfortably seat all six of us for the day!

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