

FIREARMS MANUFACTURING

NO CORPORATE OR PERSONAL STATE INCOME TAX

NO INVENTORY, FRANCHISE, OCCUPATION OR VALUE-ADDED TAXES

LOW PROPERTY AND SALES TAX



SUCCESS STORIES

WEATHERBY

After announcing their plans to relocate at SHOT Show in 2018, Weatherby has since celebrated over five years of being located in Sheridan, Wyoming. They employ over 100 people in their state-of-the-art facility that fits right in to the backdrop of the beautiful Bighorn Mountains.



MAVEN OPTICS

Maven Optics, a locally grown company that opened in Lander, Wyoming in 2013, had the privilege of supplying the United States Archery Team with custom-made spotting scopes and binoculars during the 2021 Olympics. Maven is built around a direct to consumer model that allows them to provide quality and high performance equipment while avoiding retail markup.



STAG ARMS

Since it's founding, Stag Arms has specialized in the advancement of the AR firearms platform, and pioneered the first left-handed modern sporting rifle. In November of 2019, Stag announced its move to Cheyenne, Wyoming from Connecticut. That move inspired a whole new rebranding and product offering, showcasing the pride in their new Wyoming home.





**48% OF WYOMING IS
FEDERAL LAND**
That's over 30 million acres

DIVERSE BUSINESS PROFILE

From rifles to optics, from sights to ammunition—our local communities support these thriving businesses. Like many other outdoor recreation businesses across the country, the COVID-19 pandemic created an increased demand for these local companies, most of whom found creative ways to hire additional workforce, increase production capacity, and add new product lines.

SUPPORTING INDUSTRY TRAINING

Wyoming's seven community colleges located across the state offer a wide array of programs that serve the needs of firearms and advanced manufacturing training needs. Community colleges work diligently with local businesses to help provide training programs in CNC manufacturing, fabrication, and welding, that bolster the talent of the manufacturing workforce. Manufacturing Works, Wyoming's manufacturing extension partnership, is also available to assist Wyoming manufacturers, producers and entrepreneurs—strategically identifying and solving their most pressing issues and enabling them to take their business to the next level.

Wyoming is like the incubator of great gun companies, and that's going to create a critical mass of talent here.

- ZAK SMITH
Co-owner Thunder Beast Arms Corporation

FAVORABLE CULTURE

Wyoming enjoys easy access to year-round recreation opportunities and wide-open spaces. Here the great outdoors and economic opportunity go hand-in-hand, making Wyoming an ideal spot for firearms manufacturing and other supporting recreation-related businesses.

AVAILABLE WORKFORCE

The Wyoming Workforce Development Training Fund offers training grants up to \$3,000 per employee per year. They also have a robust apprenticeship and internship program. Find out more by visiting wbc.pub/WDTF

MANUFACTURING TAX EXEMPTION

Manufacturers in Wyoming are tax exempt on the purchase of equipment and power for the purpose of manufacturing.