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## Meeting to focus on Williams area growth

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A major player in the development of Mesa's Williams Gateway Airport area is gathering together community leaders and growth experts next week to talk about the city's potential economic growth. Developer DMB Associates is planning a 3,200-acre project that would bring a mix of residential, commercial and other uses to a portion of the outgoing General Motors Desert Proving Ground east of the airport.

"We wanted to share with both the (city) and community leaders some of our early thoughts for what this place can be," said John Bradley, DMB vice president and general manager for the project.

Tuesday's roundtable meeting is the first in a series DMB will host.

It will be part of an ongoing discussion among community leaders, developers and residents about the future of the Williams Gateway area, said Mesa City Manager Chris Brady.

Phoenix-based Pacific Proving LLC, headed by William Levine, also has proposed a 1,700-acre, mixed-use development on the proving grounds. The area is part of the larger Gateway region, which encompasses 52 square miles surrounding the airport.



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