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Teammates,

Last month, I joined Governor Ricketts and other State leaders at a <u>ribbon cutting</u> <u>event</u> for the new Fallbrook State Office Building in northwest Lincoln. The Fallbrook Building is now home to the Nebraska Departments of Agriculture, Economic Development, Environment and Energy, and Natural Resources, as well as the Corn, Wheat, Sorghum, and Ethanol Boards.

Last year, I discussed our State Building Division's (SBD) <u>Real Estate Strategy</u>. The new Fallbrook Building supports this strategy by co-locating like agencies, boards, and commissions doing similar work, which creates one-stop-shops for their customers, while also allowing us to maximize our state-owned office space by consolidating much of the Department of Health and Human Services into the Nebraska State Office Building in downtown Lincoln. Overall, this has led to a 60,000 square foot reduction in our commercial real estate footprint and will save tax payers about \$700,000 per year.

This building is the culmination of a multi-year project that improves accessibility to government services, increases collaboration, and reduces cost. Thank you to our SBD teammates, and our Fallbrook agencies and teammates, for their incredible work in making this project a reality!

Regards,

Jason Jackson Director, Department of Administrative Services