



New Jersey Workforce Regions

**NJ State Employment and Training Commission (SETC)
Presentation**

Friday, September 25, 2015



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Local Workforce Board Roles

- **Strategic:** Setting priorities for workforce investments, leading career pathways development, identifying and promoting promising workforce practices.
- **Systems Alignment:** Designating One-Stop Operators, Program Oversight and MOUs with partners, oversight of local youth activities
- **Planning:** Must prepare a regional plan **and** a local strategic plan.





Creation of Regional Planning Areas

- **Goal:** Promote alignment of workforce programs with regional economic development strategies to meet the needs of employers and job seekers
 - **Designation of Regions:** The State, in consultation with local workforce boards and elected officials, is required to designate Regions following certain criteria.
 - **Regional means:** Workforce planning, coordinated service strategies and support services, industry sector strategies, administrative cost sharing, alignment with regional economic development initiatives
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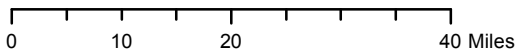
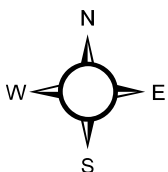
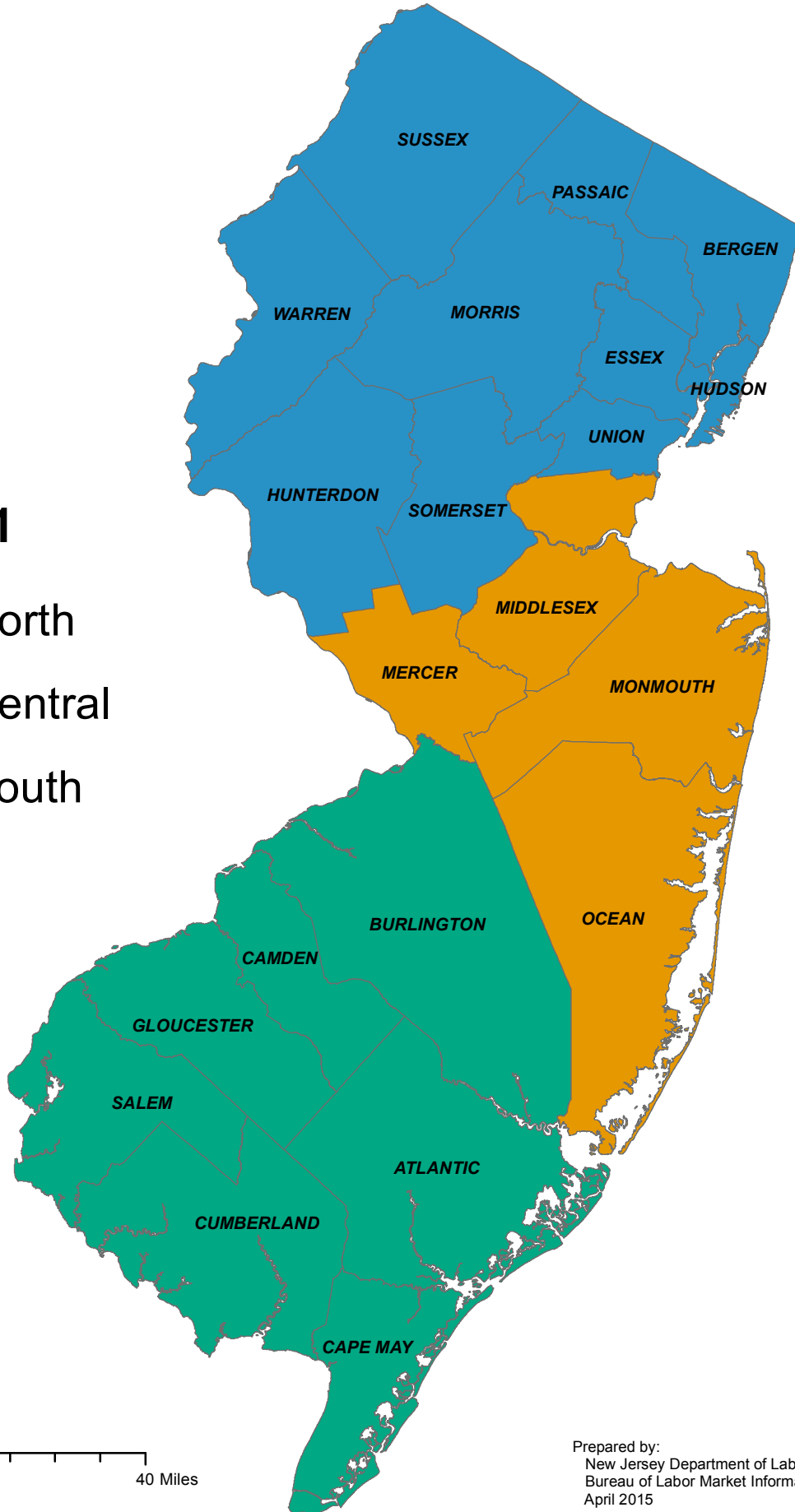
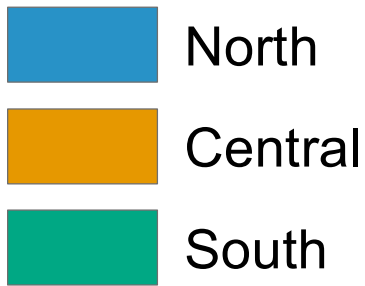
Workgroup Considerations

- **Economic Development Areas**
- **Industry Sectors**
- **Labor Market Information** (annual employment numbers, unemployment rates, median income, education levels)
- **Commuting Patterns**
- **Resources/Size and Fit of Region**
 - Flexibility to work outside the Region



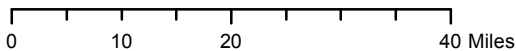
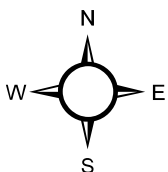
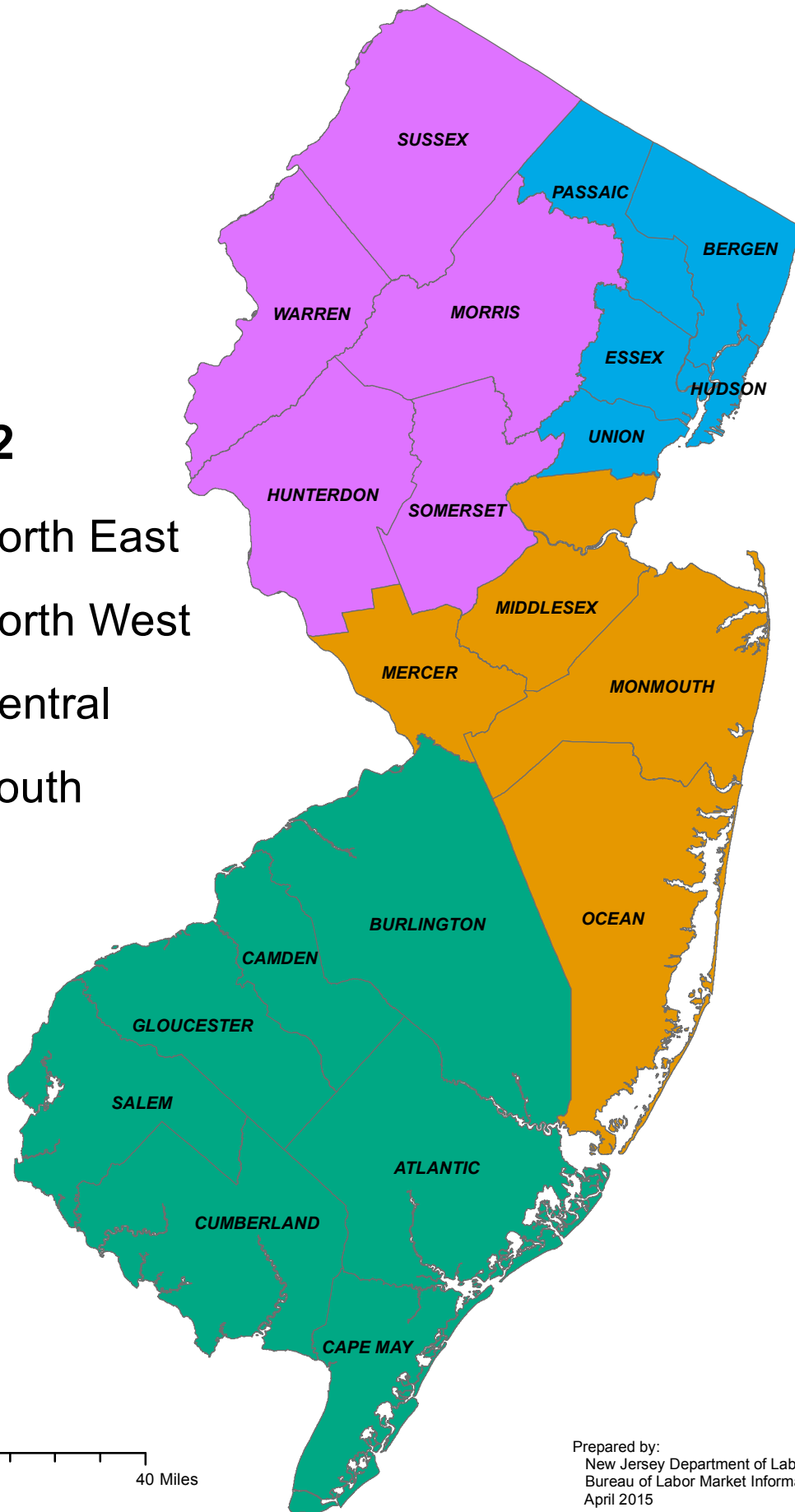
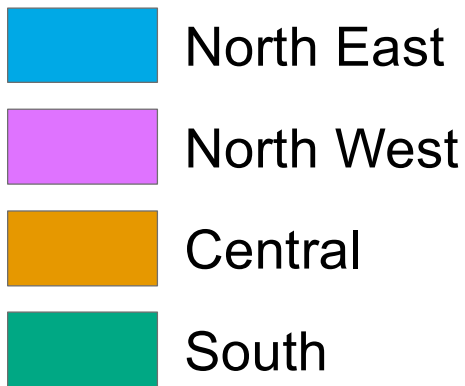
Regional Designation Option 1

Option 1



Regional Designation Option 2

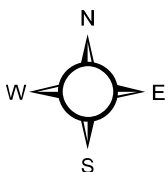
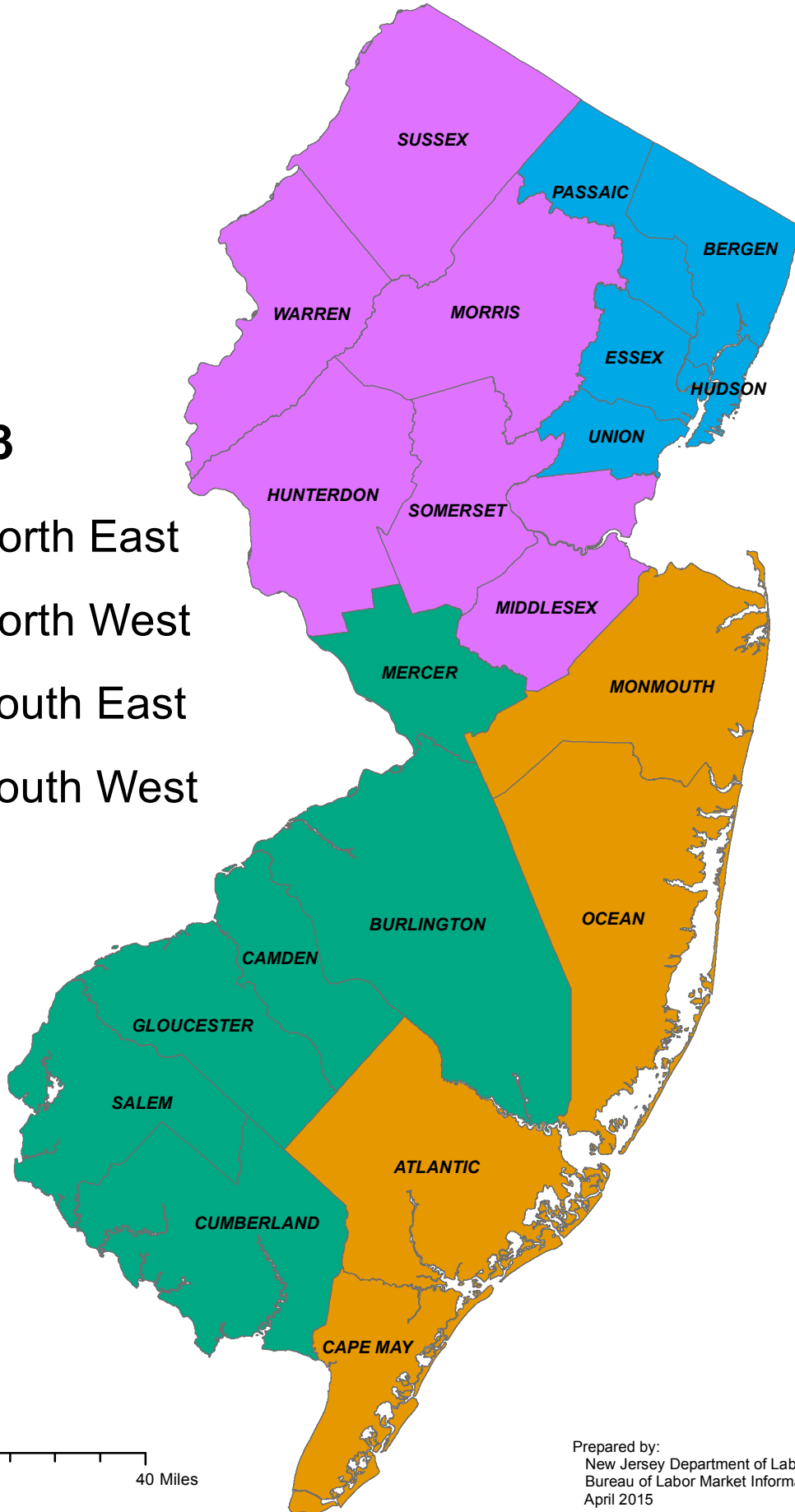
Option 2



Regional Designation Option 3

Option 3

-  North East
-  North West
-  South East
-  South West



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Regional Meetings - Save the Dates

Southern Region: Tuesday, October 13, 2015

10 am – 12 noon

Rowan College at Burlington County

500 College Circle, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054

Laurel Hall – Room 320

Central Region: Tuesday, October 13, 2015

2 pm – 4 pm

NJ Association of Counties, 3rd Floor

150 West State Street, Trenton NJ 08608

Northern Region: Wednesday, October 14, 2015

10 am – 12 pm

Montclair State University, Feliciano School of Business, Room 140

RSVP to: Diane.Evans@dol.nj.gov , 609-633-0605





Written Public Comment Instructions

Public comment on *New Jersey Workforce Regions* must be submitted **in writing** to the NJ State Employment and Training Commission (SETC) by **4 pm on Friday, October 23, 2015**

Mail to:

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Email to:

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WIOA Resources

SETC Website: www.njsetc.net

NJ WIOA Website: <http://lwd.dol.state.nj.us/labor/wioa>

USDOL-ETA: <http://www.doleta.gov/wioa/>





New Jersey State Employment and Training Commission

Dennis M. Bone, *Chairman*

Chris Christie, *Governor*

September 25, 2015

Dear Elected Officials and Workforce Board Representatives:

On behalf of the State Employment and Training Commission (SETC), I am pleased to invite you to participate in our upcoming Regional Workforce meetings, to discuss critical changes to New Jersey's workforce system that will impact future planning and funding considerations across our state.

As required under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), the State is creating new workforce regions, to promote the alignment of workforce programs with regional economic development strategies to meet the needs of employers and job seekers. This will involve regional planning, alignment with regional economic development initiatives, coordinated service and industry sector strategies, and administrative cost sharing.

Please consider attending one of three regional meetings to provide your input on the future direction of our talent development system in New Jersey:

Southern Region: **Tuesday, October 13, 2015**
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Please RSVP to Diane.Evans@dol.nj.gov, 609-633-0605 by *October 5, 2015*.

In addition, we invite you to submit written comment on the regional options directly to the SETC. Regional information and instructions for submitting public comment may be found on our website at www.njsetc.net. All comments must be submitted in writing by *October 16, 2015*.

We look forward to your participation and input in this process.

Sincerely,

Dennis M. Bone, Chairman