

## **Guanzhong-Tianshui Economic Zone to be established**

On June 25, the State Council Information Office held a news briefing, announcing that the State Council has officially approved the Guanzhong-Tianshui Economic Zone Development Program. This indicates that China's regional revitalization program has welcomed a new member.

The program proposes to build Guanzhong-Tianshui Economic Zone into China's "strategic highland for the country's inland economic development and opening-up."

Guanzhong-Tianshui Economic Zone is one of western China's three key economic development zones defined in the "11th Five-Year Plan on Western Region Development." The planned area for the economic zone covers Shaanxi Province's Xi'an, Xianyang, Tongchuan, Weinan, Baoji, as well as some counties of Shangluo, Yangling Agricultural Hi-tech Industries Demonstration Zone and administrative areas under the jurisdiction of Tianshui, Gansu Province.

The Guanzhong-Tianshui Economic Zone will cover a total area of 79,800 square meters, with construction planned from 2009 to 2020.

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