



A Regional Initiative to Create Jobs and Economic Growth through a New Entertainment and Sports Complex

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Think BIG Sacramento releases ‘Sacramento Region Jobs First Compact’
Plan seeks to ensure construction jobs will stay within Sacramento region

Today *Think BIG Sacramento* released the ‘Sacramento Region Jobs First Compact’ which outlines the approach to ensure construction jobs are kept within the greater Sacramento area to realize the full economic benefits of a new entertainment and sports complex.

“With incredibly high unemployment in the region, particularly in the construction industry, it is important for us to do everything in our power to keep jobs right here in our own backyard. This project will create \$7 billion dollars in economic impact in this region, but for us realize the full measure of those benefits we need to hire locally,” said Mayor Kevin Johnson.

The release coincided with *Think BIG’s* full 72-member committee meeting and the announcement of support from several labor organizations for the construction of a new facility in downtown Sacramento.

Representatives from labor groups that joined in support included the Sacramento Central Labor Council, AFSCME International, and Sacramento-Sierra's Building & Construction Trades Council.

“We are here today because of the visionary leadership of Mayor Kevin Johnson,” said Willie Pelote, Assistant Director of AFSCME International.

The *Sacramento Region Jobs First Compact* can be found online at www.thinkbigsacramento.com/informed/press.

Think BIG is a regional initiative launched by Sacramento Mayor Kevin Johnson to facilitate construction of a new entertainment and sports complex (“ESC”) that promotes job creation, economic growth, cultural development and civic pride across the greater Sacramento metropolitan area.

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