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PAVING THE HIGH ROAD TO A RESILIENT ECONOMY: The Power of Pre-Apprenticeship for Equity, Climate, and Quality Jobs

Sacramento, CA – In celebration of National Apprenticeship Week (NAW) 2020, the California Workforce Development Board (CWDB) presents PAVING THE HIGH ROAD TO A RESILIENT ECONOMY: The Power of Pre-Apprenticeship for Equity, Climate, and Quality Jobs. *This* weeklong celebration focusing on the strength of High Road Construction Careers (HRCC) and will highlight the latest resources and programs available to the workforce community.

Registrants and workforce partners will receive emails on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday featuring the latest and greatest HRCC resources, including:

- [Final Jobs and Training Report to the Prop 39 Citizen's Oversight Committee](#)
- [Best practices reports](#)
- [Guidelines for MC3-based pre-apprenticeship](#)
- [Short videos highlighting Prop 39-funded pilot projects.](#)

The celebration will conclude on Thursday with PAVING THE HIGH ROAD TO A RESILIENT ECONOMY: A Virtual Forum, targeting policymakers, government influencers, and legislative, agency and department staff.

Register for the [Paving the High Road to a Resilient Economy: A Virtual Forum](#).

NAW is a nationwide celebration that brings together business leaders, career seekers, labor, educational institutions, and other critical partners to demonstrate their support for apprenticeship. NAW also provides apprenticeship sponsors with the opportunity to showcase their programs, facilities, and apprentices in their community. The week-long celebration highlights the benefits of apprenticeship in preparing a highly-skilled workforce to meet the talent needs of employers across diverse industries. NAW will occur November 8-14, 2020.

The CWDB oversees a suite of investments and policy initiatives to advance construction careers for disadvantaged Californians as a reliable pathway to the middle class. The HRCC program prioritizes partnerships that link local building and construction trades councils to workforce boards, community colleges, and community-based organizations. These partnerships create structured pathways with a standard core curriculum and critical supportive services that lead to state-certified apprenticeships in a variety of crafts.

Through various state funding sources, the CWDB has invested, and continues to invest millions of dollars in pre-apprenticeship partnerships across California. These investments

connect programs directly to regional labor market demand through a campaign to expand the use of Community Workforce Agreements. The programs then wrap targeted local hire provisions into public infrastructure projects, including projects critical to safeguarding the environment.

Learn more about [High Road Construction Careers](#) and the California Workforce Development Board at www.cwdb.ca.gov.

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