

Project Labor Agreements An Equity Tool for Investing in America

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SESSION OBJECTIVES

- 1. Provide the context of Investing in America
- 2. Highlight how the GJI is supporting employees, employers, and federal agencies to increase access to good infrastructure funded jobs.
- 3. Discuss the benefits of using Project Labor Agreements as an equity tool for Investing in America.

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What is The Good Jobs Initiative (GJI)

- GJI provides critical information to workers, employers, and governments to improve job quality and create access to good jobs free from discrimination and harassment for all working people.
 - Our work with sister federal agencies has impacted \$97 billion in funding stemming from historic federal investments in infrastructure spearhead by the Biden-Harris Administration.
 - We have developed worker.gov, employer.gov, and goodjobs.gov to provide information on legal rights and responsibilities, as well as provide resources on job quality strategies.
 - In cooperation with the Department of Commerce, we also published The Good Jobs Principles, a shared federal vision of job quality focusing on eight common elements of a Good Job.



Good Jobs Principles

- Recruitment and Hiring
- Benefits
- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (DEIA)
- Empowerment and Representation

- Job Security and Working
 Conditions
- Organizational Culture
- Pay
- Skills and Career Advancement



Good Jobs Initiative Focus Areas

Worker Empowerment
Employer Engagement
Agency Support



Tools for Improving Job Quality Used in BIL Projects

DOC

Equity Plans

DOE

- Preapprenticeships
- Community Benefits Plans

DOT

 Supportive Services

DOI

Data Collection



Project Labor Agreements as Tools for Equity

- Set goals for local hires
- institute equity plans
- implement strategic recruitment policies
- Require participation of small, green, and/or diverse business enterprises
- Establish monitoring bodies, employ enforcement mechanisms where appropriate, and require the public release of workforce diversity data
- Ensure compliance with anti-discrimination protections for workers and any other relevant laws

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