

International Association of Bridge, Structural, Ornamental and Reinforcing Iron Workers



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Iron Workers Endorse President Biden's American Jobs Plan

The Iron Workers applaud President Biden's robust pro-union infrastructure proposal. The Biden administration's American Jobs Plan would be a tremendous benefit to Ironworkers and millions of other working people across the United States. We ask Congress to work towards its passage.

The Jobs Plan would provide long-overdue investments across the full spectrum of infrastructure. This support for transportation, manufacturing, and beyond would provide badly needed jobs as we emerge from the uncertainty of the pandemic.

Crucially, Biden's Plan recognizes the necessity of strong labor standards on government infrastructure investments, including clean energy. Including strong standards to create good union jobs is the only acceptable way to transition to a clean economy.

Critical parts of the plan include:

- A serious investment in traditional infrastructure like roads, bridges, airports, and public transit.
- An important focus on domestic manufacturing and supply chains.
- Major investments in schools and housing.
- Next-generation investments in in the clean economy, including nuclear, carbon capture, and renewables.
- Strong labor protections on all the above, and vital worker empowerment through the PRO Act.

The American Jobs Act is the latest and clearest signal of Joe Biden's commitment to encourage collective bargaining and stand with the American worker.

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