



## **Sacramento Region Construction & Energy Sectors Workforce Consortium**

### **Launch Meeting Summary January 15, 2014**

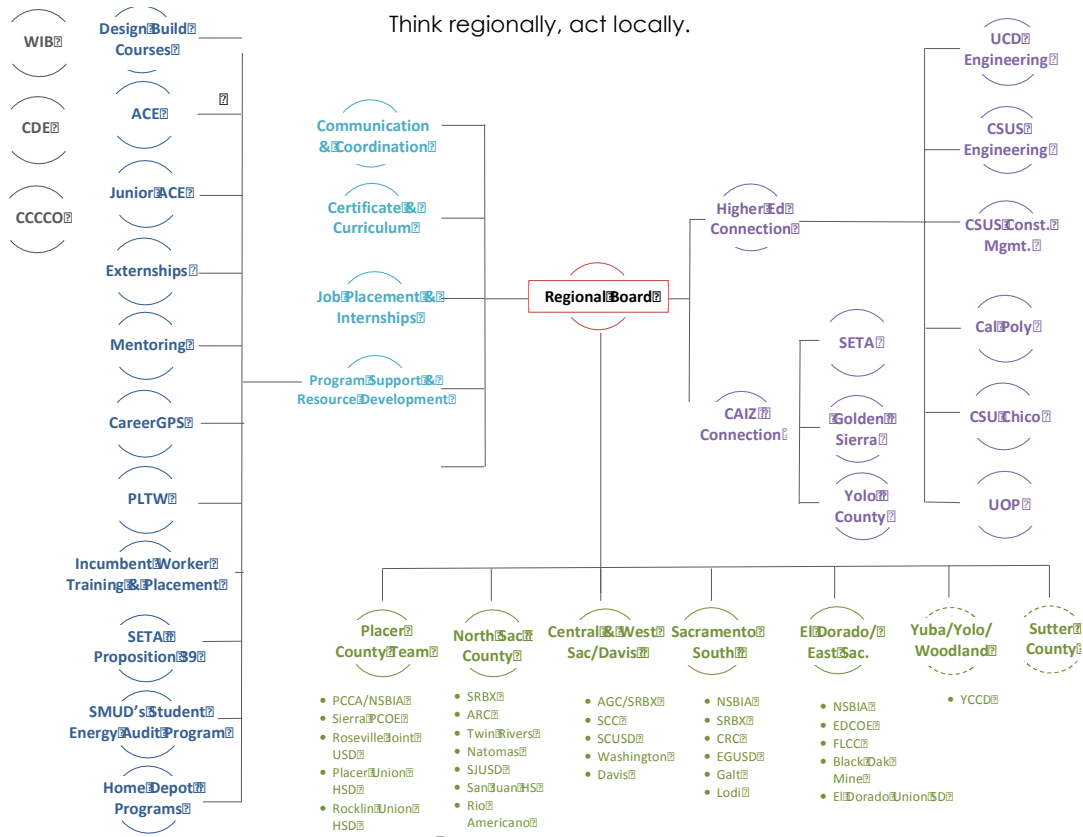
A meeting of a broad range of Sacramento Region workforce development stakeholders was convened by Rick Larkey, Director of Workforce for the North State Building Industry Foundation (with assistance from Robin Purdy, JD Stack, and others). Approximately 50 people participated, representing sector employers, labor and apprenticeship programs, colleges and universities, school districts, Workforce Investment Boards (WIBs), and utilities.

**Purpose:** To create a collaborative organization of stakeholder entities to facilitate improved communication, coordination, and alignment of respective efforts to meet the workforce needs of industry and provide gainful employment for students and job seekers. Also, to pool resources and integrate efforts to fund and sustain workforce programs. This is meant to provide a regional umbrella organization to facilitate and support local workforce efforts.

**Goal** – To gather resources to fund the following on a regional basis:

- Communicate about who is doing what
- Coordinate work-based learning efforts, industry certifications, curriculum development, and developing outcome-based metrics
- Provide resource development for:
  - Existing local programs
  - Existing regional programs (e.g., PLTW, ACE, Junior ACE, educator externships, design build competition)
  - Additional programs and concepts that strengthen the pipeline and provide more opportunities (e.g., a regional training center)

**Scope and Structure:** This consortium is being organized as a six-to-eight county regional effort (e.g., Sacramento, El Dorado, Placer, Yolo, Yuba, Sutter). It is organized around a central regional board with local teams consisting of stakeholders from various counties and communities. It includes linkages to employers, educators, workforce training and development resources, and existing programs. This structure is intended to maximize the value of local resources such as school districts and community colleges while facilitating regional communication and coordination.



### Working Groups Formed:

- Communications and Coordination
- Certification & Curriculum
- Job Placement & Internships
- Program Support
- Resource Development

**Industry Advisory Board:** Yet to be formed, but intended to be similar to colleges' industry advisory boards

### Next Steps:

- January 28 –ARC CRANE High School Academies meeting
- January 31 - Placer County Team meeting
- February 4 - Construction Industry Certifications meeting
- February 26 - Construction & Energy Sectors Coalition meeting