

## Climate Jobs National Resource Center

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## CLIMATE JOBS STATEMENT ON PROPOSED RULE FOR INFLATION REDUCTION ACT'S LABOR STANDARDS

This week, the U.S. Department of the Treasury released proposed rulemaking on the Inflation Reduction Act's (IRA) labor standards, which include prevailing wage and apprenticeship utilization requirements that apply to many of the IRA's most powerful clean energy incentives.

Mike Fishman, President and Executive Director of the Climate Jobs National Resource Center, issued the following statement:

"The climate crisis is already hitting workers and their communities first and worst. We are pleased that President Biden's administration has worked quickly to make sure the labor standards in the Inflation Reduction Act's historic climate investments pay off for working families across the country. The prevailing wage requirement will help lift pay for the workers building our new clean energy infrastructure and the apprenticeship utilization requirement will create opportunities for workers across the country to gain earn-while-you-learn experience through registered apprenticeship programs. Strong labor standards are the key to creating good-paying union jobs and growing an equitable and inclusive clean energy workforce to build the clean energy economy at the scale and speed the climate crisis demands."

Climate Jobs National Resource Center is a national labor-led organization advancing a pro-worker, pro-climate agenda to tackle the climate crisis, create union jobs, and advance equity. Learn more at <u>cinrc.org</u>.

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