DC SUMMIT 2026 AGENDA

TUESDAY, NOV. 17, 2026

11:30 am
Optional: Bureau of Engraving and Printing Tour

7:00 - 8:30 pm
Opening Reception with Congressmen Kevin Kiley, Mike Thompson, Ami Bera & Congressmen-Elect Richard Pan* & Eric Jones*
Presented by Sutter Health
Athens Ballroom, Kimpton Hotel Monaco DC

9:00 pm
Optional: Capitol Tour with Congressman Kevin Kiley

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 18, 2026

9:00 - 10:00 AM
Coffee Available
Presented by Pioneer Community Energy
Athens Ballroom, Kimpton Hotel Monaco DC

All events that follow take place in the Paris Ballroom, Kimpton Hotel Monaco DC, with the exception of the evening activity.

10:00 - 10:30 AM
Welcome, 2026 Action Items & Policy Update
Cherri Spriggs, Executive Director, Placer Business Alliance
Kirk Uhler, Policy Director, Placer Business Alliance

10:30 - 11:30 AM
Election Analysis: Can the Federal Government Help Placer County Lean Into Local?
Rich Gold, Partner, Holland & Knight

11:30 AM - 12:45 PM
Luncheon
Powering Regional Prosperity: Bridging Clean Energy, Workforce Development and Regional Economic Development Strategy
Lora Anguay, CEO & General Manager, SMUD
Jose Bodipo-Memba, Chief Operational Services Officer, SMUD
Willy Duncan, President, Sierra College
Matt Miller, Chief Strategy Officer, Greater Sacramento Economic Council
Presented by SMUD

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12:45 - 2:00 PM

Legislative Priorities Roundtable - Legislative Directors for Congressmen Kevin Kiley, Mike Thompson, Ami Bera & Congressmen-Elect Richard Pan* & Eric Jones*

James Zandstra, Legislative Director, Congressman Kevin Kiley
Asha Samuel, Legislative Director, Congressman Ami Bera
Adam Durand, Deputy Chief of Staff & Legislative Director, Congressman Mike Thompson
Legislative Director, Congressman-Elect Richard Pan*
Legislative Director, Congressman-Elect Eric Jones*

2:00 - 2:45 PM

Western Caucus Legislative Priorities

John Veale, Executive Director, Congressional Western Caucus
Darrell Henry, Co-Founder, Western Caucus Foundation

Presented by HDR

2:45 - 3:15 PM

Making Ends Meet in California Water

Andy Fecko, General Manager, Placer County Water Agency
Aubrey Bettencourt, Principal Deputy Commissioner, United States Bureau of Reclamation

Presented by MNJ Advisors

3:15 - 3:45PM

K-12 Education Federal Policy Update

Gayle Garbolino-Mojica, Superintendent, Placer County Schools
RJ Martin, Professional Staff Member, United States House Education and the Workforce Committee

Presented by Placer County Office of Education

3:45 - 4:15 PM

United States EPA vs. California: Understanding the Federal Deregulatory Agenda

Erik White, Air Pollution Control Officer, Placer County Air Pollution Control District
Miles Kehoe, Executive Director, National Association of Clean Air Agencies

Presented by Western Placer Waste Management Authority

4:15 - 4:45 PM

Federal Highway Transportation Reauthorization Bill

Matt Click, Executive Director, PCTPA
Mike Miller, Partner, The Ferguson Group
Rob Baquera, Government & Community Relations Manager, City of Roseville
Joel Joyce, Legislative & Government Affairs Coordinator, Placer County

Presented by LiUNA

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5:30 - 6:00 PM
Travel to the Wharf
Presented by Placer County Water Agency & Placer County Transportation Planning Agency

6:00 - 8:00 PM
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88 District Square SW
Washington, DC 20024
Presented by Golden 1

THURSDAY, NOV. 19, 2026

9:00 - 10:00 AM
Coffee Available
Presented by Hefner Law
Athens Ballroom, Kimpton Hotel Monaco DC

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10:00 - 11:00 AM
Placer County Conservation Program - Five Years Into Balancing Conservation & Economic Development
Tyler Kellogg, Principal Deputy Director, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
Gregg McKenzie, PCCP Administrator/PCA Executive Director, Placer County

11:00 - 11:45 AM
Public Safety Discussion Part II: Emergency Response Regional Dispatch
Shanti Landon, Supervisor - District 2, Placer County
Shayne Wright, Undersheriff, Placer County
Aly Zimmermann, City Manager, City of Rocklin
Trevor Jamison, President, Sacramento Area Firefighters Local 522

11:45 AM - 1:00 PM
Luncheon
Unplugged Q&A with PG&E
Brandon Sanders, Government Relations, Sierra Division, PG&E
Presented by PG&E

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1:00 -1:45 PM

The Case for Affordable Housing as an Economic Development Tool:
Opportunities for Expanding Housing Trust Placer

Jeff Short, Government & Public Affairs Director, North State Building Industry Association
Danushka Nanayakkara-Skillington, Associate Vice President, Forecasting & Analysis, National Association of Home Builders
Tim Murphy, President & CEO, North State Building Industry Association
John Dangberg, Board Member, Housing Trust Placer

Presented by North State Building Industry Association

1:45 - 2:15 PM

The Importance of Social Connection in Building a Strong Local Economy

Debra Oto-Kent, Founding Executive Director, Health Education Council

Presented by 3Fold Communications

2:15 - 3:00 PM

Evolution of Healthcare and Outpatient Patient Care

Tim Ursprung, Sutter Health Federal Lobbyist, Venable
Kelly Brenk, Senior Director Community Health, Sutter Health
Steve Johns, Senior Director Government Affairs, Sutter Health

3:00 - 4:00 PM

Unlocking Opportunity: Designing the Workforce Our Region Will Need

Willy Duncan, President, Sierra College
Amy Schulz, Executive Dean Workforce & Strategic Initiatives, Sierra College
Tess Henthorne, Assistant Director, Leadership & Field Engagement, The Aspen Institute
Scott Olsen, Roseville Plant, Workforce Development & Community, Robert Bosch Semiconductor
Kerry Callahan, Superintendent, Western Placer Unified School District
Kelly Brenk, Senior Director Community Health, Sutter Health
Shayne Wright, Undersheriff, Placer County

4:00 - 5:00 PM

All Participant Work Session - 2027 Action Items

Program Reflection & Response from County CEO, City Managers & all Stakeholders

Presented by Taylor Builders

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Closing Reception
Presented by Capitol Regions
Athens Ballroom, Kimpton Hotel Monaco DC

7:00 - 10:00 PM
Closing Dinner with Congressmen Kevin Kiley, Mike Thompson, Ami Bera, Tom McClintock* & Congressmen-Elect Richard Pan* & Eric Jones*
Presented by AKT and Kaiser Permanente
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1201 F Street NW
Washington, DC 20004

Important Notes:
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Exact times are subject to change due to Congressional Calendar and drop-in visits, but program will never begin before 10:00 am on each day.

Start-time is by design to allow participants the opportunity to schedule their own breakfast meetings.

No programming takes place on Friday, Nov. 20, 2026, as this is meant to be a travel day.

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