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## **Big West, Honda Center Awarded 2011 NCAA Men's Basketball West Regional**

*"The Road To The Final Four" Comes To Anaheim For Fifth Time*

**IRVINE, CA** – The NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Selection Committee today selected the Big West Conference and Honda Center as hosts of the 2011 NCAA Men's Basketball West Regional in Anaheim.

It is the fifth time since 1998 that the Big West and Honda Center have teamed up to host "March Madness" and "The Road To The Final Four." The two partners hosted men's basketball regionals in 1998, 2001 and 2003. In 2008, the NCAA awarded first and second round tournament action to Anaheim.

"We are thrilled to bring the excitement of NCAA postseason college basketball back to Orange County and Anaheim," said Big West Commissioner Dennis Farrell. "Honda Center is one of the premier facilities in the nation to host such a prestigious event, and we are honored to have the opportunity to once again put on a first class show for the college basketball fans of Southern California."

The NCAA West Regional, featuring four teams and three games, will be played on Thursday, Mar. 24 and Saturday, Mar. 26. The winner will advance to the 2011 Final Four at Reliant Stadium in Houston, Tex.

Ticket information will be released at a later date.