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Big West Releases Basketball Schedule On ESPN3

IRVINE, CA – The Big West will broadcast 24 men's and women's basketball regular season and tournament games this season on ESPN3, announced Conference Commissioner Dennis Farrell today.

The package will feature 18 conference games, including a minimum of 14 men's games and three women's games. One additional ESPN3 matchup will not be determined until ESPNU makes a "Wild Card" selection approximately 3-4 weeks in advance of a January 10 game date.

All games will be produced through the Big West's mobile production facility, beginning on Thursday, January 8 with a women's basketball showdown between UC Davis and CSUN from the Matadome. The 2013-14 regular season and tournament champion, the Matadors will appear again on Thursday, February 12 hosting Cal Poly. One additional women's game is slated for Thursday, February 26 as Hawai'i visits Long Beach State.

Each of the nine Big West members will be featured in the lineup. The "Wild Card" format also will be utilized for men's games on January 17, January 31, February 7 and February 28.

The men's portion of the package will begin on Thursday, January 15 when last year's conference tournament champion, Cal Poly, travels to Long Beach State. UC Irvine, the 2013-14 regular season men's champion, will make its ESPN3 debut on Thursday, January 22 at CSUN.

Six women's tournament games will finalize the ESPN3 coverage of Big West basketball this season. Two first round (March 10) and two quarterfinal (March 11) games will originate from Cal State Fullerton's Titan Gym, followed by the Friday, March 13 semifinals at Honda Center.

ESPN3 is ESPN's live multi-screen sports network accessible online at WatchESPN.com, on smartphones and tablets via the WatchESPN app, and streamed on televisions through Xbox, Apple TV, Amazon Fire TV and Roku. It is currently available to 92 million homes at no additional cost to fans who receive their high speed Internet connection or video subscription from an affiliated service provider.

The Big West Conference successfully rolled out its mobile production facility last year, utilizing full ESPN production standards, including graphics, replay and on-air crew. It was the first fully operational mobile production unit of its kind that expanded upon what ESPN Emerging Technology has already done at the institutional level.

"The Big West's expanded presence on ESPN3 amplifies the overall exposure already enjoyed by our members through the linear ESPN networks," said Big West Commissioner Dennis Farrell. "The ability to showcase our brand, not only in basketball, but in sports such as women's volleyball, baseball and softball as well, most definitely has benefitted the conference and our relationship with ESPN."

2014-15 ESPN3/BIG WEST BASKETBALL TELEVISION SCHEDULE

DAY/DATE	MATCH-UP	TIME (PT)	TV
MEN'S BASKETBALL			
Thursday, January 15	Cal Poly at Long Beach State	7:00 PM	ESPN3
Saturday, January 17	WILD CARD GAME SELECTED FROM: UC Santa Barbara at Long Beach State	5:00 PM	ESPN3
	Hawai'i at UC Riverside	5:00 PM	
	UC Davis at Cal State Fullerton	6:00 PM	
Thursday, January 22	UC Irvine at CSUN	7:00 PM	ESPN3
Saturday, January 24	Long Beach State at CSUN	7:00 PM	ESPN3
Thursday, January 29	Cal Poly at UC Irvine	7:00 PM	ESPN3
Saturday, January 31	WILD CARD GAME SELECTED FROM: CSUN at UC Riverside	5:00 PM	ESPN3
	UC Santa Barbara at UC Irvine	7:00 PM	
	Hawai'i at Long Beach State	TBA	
Thursday, February 5	UC Davis at UC Irvine	7:00 PM	ESPN3
Saturday, February 7	WILD CARD GAME SELECTED FROM: UC Riverside at Cal State Fullerton	6:00 PM	ESPN3
	UC Davis at CSUN	7:00 PM	
	UC Irvine at Long Beach State	TBA	
Saturday, February 14	UC Irvine at UC Riverside	5:00 PM	ESPN3
Thursday, February 19	UC Santa Barbara at UC Riverside	7:00 PM	ESPN3
Saturday, February 21	UC Santa Barbara at Cal State Fullerton	5:00 PM	ESPN3
Saturday, February 28	WILD CARD GAME SELECTED FROM: Cal State Fullerton at Long Beach State	TBA	ESPN3
	UC Riverside at CSUN	7:00 PM	
Thursday, March 5	CSUN at Long Beach State	7:00 PM	ESPN3
Saturday, March 7	Hawai'i at Cal State Fullerton	5:00 PM	ESPN3
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL			
Thursday, January 8	UC Davis at CSUN	7:00 PM	ESPN3
Thursday, February 12	Cal Poly at CSUN	7:00 PM	ESPN3
Thursday, February 26	Hawai'i at Long Beach State	7:00 PM	ESPN3
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Tuesday, March 10	Women's First Round #1	6:00 pm	ESPN3
	Women's First Round #2	8:30 pm	ESPN3
Wednesday, March 11	Women's Quarterfinals #1	6:00 pm	ESPN3
	Women's Quarterfinals #2	8:30 pm	ESPN3
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Friday, March 13	Women's Semifinals #1	12:00 pm	ESPN3
	Women's Semifinals #2	2:30 pm	ESPN3
TO BE DETERMINED			
Saturday, January 10	WILD CARD GAME SELECTED FROM: Hawai'i at CSUN (WOMEN'S)	4:00 PM	ESPN3
	UC Riverside at UC Irvine (MEN'S)	7:00 PM	