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GRAND JUNCTION, Colo. (KKCO) - A Grand Junction company will soon get started on a whale of a project overseas.

ICM, which also operates Reynolds Polymer, was awarded a \$150 million contract Friday morning to help build a state-of-the-art aquarium in Brazil.

The facility, which will be the largest of its kind in the Southern Hemisphere, is also the largest project ICM has ever taken on.

The Governor of Ceara, where the aquarium will be located, traveled to Grand Junction for the signing ceremony. He said ICM's experience working on international aquariums gave them the edge.

"It's a huge opportunity, I think, not only for ICM but for Grand Junction to place our name on the map in terms of what our capabilities are and what we can do," said Roger Reynolds, CEO of ICM.

Company officials say the project will create hundreds of jobs in Brazil and will provide work to several US subcontractors -- which in turn should create about a hundred new jobs domestically.

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