

PRE-CONSTRUCTION MEETING <u>PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT & CALIFORNIA LABOR CODE</u> <u>RESPONSIBILITIES & REQUIREMENTS</u> *(For Projects subject to the PLA)*

I. <u>REQUIRED SUBMITTALS (Submittal Schedule & Forms)</u>

a. LCP Checklist – Submit before you start work on the project.

- i. Review and sign
 - 1. Payment of Prevailing Wage Rates
 - a. Public Works Project requires the payment of prevailing wages to all employees
 - b. The prevailing wage determination applicable to this project can be found on the California Department of Industrial Relations website at: http://www.dir.ca.gov/dlsr/DPreWageDetermination.htm
 - c. You must refer to the Prevailing Wage Determinations that were in effect at the time the project was first advertised for bids. Note: contractors are responsible for all predetermined increases.
 - 2. Apprentices
 - a. All contractors must make a "good faith effort" to employ apprentices (if craft is apprenticeable).
 - b. Submit a DAS-140 (Public Works Contract Award Information) to your appropriate Apprenticeship Committee. Submit a copy of your certified mail certificate as proof of your submittal.

b. Letter of Assent – Submit before you start work on the project.

- i. Section 2.5(b) of the PLA states that all contractors, all tiers, shall sign and submit a Letter of Assent prior to the commencement of work.
- ii. The Letter of Assent confirms that the contractor is accepting and is bound by the terms and conditions of the PLA, including the requirement to send fringe benefit payments to a Union Trust Fund.

c. Core Employees Listing – Submit before you start work on the project.

- i. Section 3.6(d) of the PLA states that all contractors, all tiers, shall submit a Core Employees Listing upon request.
- ii. Core Employees are defined in PLA §3.6(c); they must reside in the District, and must appear on the contractor's payroll for 50 of the 100 working days prior to the award of contract.
- iii. Pursuant to the requirements of SB 1362 and California Labor Code §3099.2, all employees performing **electrical work** for a subcontractor holding a C-10 license **must be certified**. If employees working on project are found to be not certified, they shall be immediately removed. Failure to provide proof of this documentation on all employees will be considered a violation and subject the subcontractor to corrective action up to and including being removed from the project.

iv. Contractors are strongly recommended to list everyone who qualifies as a Core Employee and **may** be working on the project; Core Employees Lists may not be revised after work begins.

d. Verification of Core Employees – Submit as requested.

- i. Section 3.6(d) of the PLA states that a contractor must provide proof of its core employees' eligibility.
- ii. Copies of the contractor's payroll registers (or similar payroll records) are typically used to validate the core employees' eligibility.

e. DAS-140 – Submit before you start work on the project.

- i. Requirement to "announce" that you will be working on a public works project (compliance is proven via submittal of DAS-140)
- ii. This form should be sent to the local apprenticeship committee for your craft.
- iii. If you need the contact information for your applicable apprenticeship committee, refer to <u>http://www.dir.ca.gov/Databases/das/pwaddrstart.asp</u>.

f. Subcontractor listing – Submit before you start work on the project.

- i. The subcontractor listing should include all subcontractors who will be doing prevailing wage labor on the project. If there are none, write "NONE."
- ii. Include subcontractors' addresses, phone numbers and license numbers.
- iii. <u>Contractors of every tier are responsible for ensuring that their subcontractors</u> <u>submit the PLA Letter of Assent before beginning work</u>.

g. Fringe Benefit Statement - Submit before you start work on the project.

- i. Contractors must pay fringe benefits to the appropriate union trust fund according to PLA §5.2(b).
- ii. Indicate each benefit amount for every individual craft you employ on this project. If there are several crafts, separate sheets may be necessary.
- iii. Write the contact information for the trust fund in the designated areas.
- iv. If contribution amounts change, such as after a predetermined prevailing wage increase, submit a new Fringe Benefit Statement.

h. CPRs & Statements of Compliance – Submit for each week you work on the project.

- i. CPRs must be submitted for every week that work was performed on the project.
- ii. Make sure that you include an accurate work classification for all your workers. (e.g. `Laborer Group 2', `Laborer Group 1 Apprentice level 1')
- iii. CPRs are not valid unless accompanied by a signed statement of compliance.
- iv. For weeks in which you did not perform any work, you must submit a Statement of Non-Performance.
- v. The last payroll should be clearly marked "Final" when we see the final payroll, we will began closeout procedures.

i. Trust Fund Reports – Submit monthly

- i. Copies of the Trust Fund Reports sent to the trust fund and copies of the contribution checks must be submitted monthly this proves the benefits were paid for every hour worked on *this* project.
- ii. Letters from the union are not sufficient because the funds do not verify that the hours reported are the same as the hours worked.