Prevailing Wage

1. Wage rates set forth are the minimum that may be paid by the Contractor on a public works contract (see definition of public works, Labor Code Section 1720). Public works also means hauling refuse from a public works site to an outside disposal location per Labor Code Section 1720.3. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as preventing the Contractor from paying more than the minimum rates set forth. No extra compensation whatsoever will be allowed by the Trustees due to the inability of the Contractor to hire labor at minimum rates, nor for the necessity for payment by the Contractor of subsistence, travel time, overtime, or other added compensations, all of which possibilities are elements to be considered and ascertained to the Contractor’s own satisfaction in preparing the bid.

2. If it becomes necessary to employ crafts other than those listed, the Contractor shall notify the Trustees immediately, and the Trustees will ascertain additional prevailing rates and the rates thus determined shall be applicable as minimum from time of initial employment.

3. Pursuant to Labor Code Section 1770, the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations has ascertained the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for legal holiday and overtime work for each craft needed in execution of the contract as set forth in the Notice to Contractors. The Trustees shall furnish the Contractor a copy of the prevailing rates, which Contractor shall post at the job site.

4. The Contractor and any subcontractor under the Contractor shall comply with Labor Code Section 1775. The Contractor shall include provisions in its contract with its subcontractors that will require compliance with Labor Code Section 1775. As required by Section 1775(b) the Contractor shall include a copy of the provisions of Sections 1771, 1775, 1776, 1777.5, 1813, and 1815 in the contract between the Contractor and the subcontractor. The Contractor shall monitor its subcontractors’ compliance with the prevailing wage law as required by Section 1775(b). In accordance with Section 1775, the Contractor and any subcontractor under the Contractor shall forfeit as a penalty to the State not more than $50 for each calendar day or portion thereof, for each worker paid less than the prevailing wage rates for the work or craft in which the worker is employed for any public work done under the contract by it or, except as provided in 1775(b), by any subcontractor under it. In addition to this penalty, the difference between the prevailing wage rates and the amount paid to each worker for each calendar day or portion thereof for which each worker was paid less than the prevailing wage rate shall be paid to each worker by the Contractor or subcontractor. If a worker employed by a subcontractor on a public works project is not paid the general prevailing per diem wages by the subcontractor, the Contractor is not liable for any penalties under 1775(a) unless the Contractor had knowledge of that failure of the subcontractor to pay the specified prevailing rate of wages to those workers or unless the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of 1775(b).

5. In accordance with Labor Code Section 1776, the Contractor and subcontractors shall keep an accurate payroll record, on forms provided by the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement (or shall contain the same information as the forms provided by the division), showing the name, address, social security number, work classification, straight time and overtime hours worked each day and week, and actual per diem wages paid to each journeyman, apprentice or worker employed in connection with the public work. Each payroll record shall contain verification by written declaration that it is made under penalty of perjury that the information contained in the payroll record is true and correct and that the Contractor and subcontractors have complied with the requirements of Labor Code Sections 1771, 1811 and 1815 for any work performed by its employees on the project. The Contractor’s and subcontractor’s payroll records shall be available for inspection at all reasonable hours, and a certified copy shall be...
made available upon request to the employee or his or her authorized representative, the Trustees, the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, and the Division of Apprenticeship Standards. Upon receipt of written notice from the Trustees, the Division of Apprenticeship Standards, or the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, and within ten days of that receipt, the Contractor shall file with the requesting entity a certified copy of the payroll records. Should the Contractor or subcontractor fail to comply within the ten-day period, the Contractor or subcontractor shall forfeit $25 for each calendar day, or portion thereof, for each worker, until strict compliance is effectuated. Upon the request of the Division of Apprenticeship Standards or the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, these penalties shall be withheld from progress payments then due. Contractor is not subject to a penalty assessment due to the failure of a subcontractor to comply with this section.

6. The Contractor is required to submit a minimum of the first two weeks of certified payroll and the Hourly Labor Rate Worksheet for its workers and all subcontractors. Additional weeks of certified payroll records may be required at the discretion of the University.