

# CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT

## R J NOBLE COMPANY

THIS AGREEMENT is made this 11th day of October, 2022 by the CITY OF GARDEN GROVE, a municipal corporation, ("CITY"), and R J Noble Company., hereinafter referred to as ("CONTRACTOR").

### RECITALS:

The following recitals are a substantive part of this Agreement:

1. This Agreement is entered into pursuant to Garden Grove City Council Authorization dated October 11, 2022.
2. CITY desires to utilize the services of CONTRACTOR to furnish material, equipment, and labor for the **GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD REHABILITATION, CITY PROJECT NO. CP – 1316000, FEDERAL PROJECT NO. CRAL-5328 (088)**.
3. CONTRACTOR is qualified by virtue of experience, training, education, and expertise to accomplish services.

### AGREEMENT

THE PARTIES MUTUALLY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

- 5.1 General Conditions.** CONTRACTOR certifies and agrees that all the terms, conditions and obligations of the Contract Documents as hereinafter defined, the location of the job site, and the conditions under which the work is to be performed have been thoroughly reviewed, and enters into this Contract based upon CONTRACTOR'S investigation of all such matters and is in no way relying upon any opinions or representations of CITY. It is agreed that this Contract represents the entire agreement. It is further agreed that the Contract Documents including the Notice Inviting Bids, Special Instructions to Bidders, if any, Plans, Specifications, and CONTRACTOR's Proposal, are incorporated in this Contract by reference, with the same force and effect as if the same were set forth at length herein, and that CONTRACTOR and its subcontractors, if any, will be and are bound by any and all of said Contract Documents insofar as they relate in any part or in any way, directly or indirectly, to the work covered by this Contract.

*"Project"* as used herein defines the entire scope of the work covered by all the Contract Documents. Anything mentioned in the Specifications and not indicated in the Plans, or indicated in the Plans and not mentioned in the Specifications, shall be of like effect as if indicated and mentioned in both. In case of discrepancy in the Plans or Specifications, the matter shall be immediately submitted to CITY'S Engineer, without whose decision CONTRACTOR shall not adjust said discrepancy save only at CONTRACTOR'S own risk and expense. The decision of the Engineer shall be final.

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- 5.2 Materials and Labor.** CONTRACTOR shall furnish, under the conditions expressed in the Plans and Specifications, at CONTRACTOR'S own expense, all labor and materials necessary, except such as are mentioned in the Specifications to be furnished by the CITY, to construct and complete the project, in good workmanlike and substantial order. If CONTRACTOR fails to pay for labor or materials when due, CITY may settle such claims by making demand upon the surety to this Agreement. In the event of the failure or refusal of the surety to satisfy said claims, CITY may settle them directly and deduct the amount of payments from the Contract price and any amounts due to CONTRACTOR. In the event CITY receives a stop notice from any laborer or material supplier alleging non-payment by CONTRACTOR, CITY shall be entitled to deduct all of its costs and expenses incurred relating thereto, including but not limited to administrative and legal fees.
- 5.3 Project.** The PROJECT is described as: **GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD REHABILITATION, CITY PROJECT NO. CP - 1316000, FEDERAL PROJECT NO. CRAL-5328 (088)**
- 5.4 Plans and Specifications.** The work to be done is shown in a set of detailed Plans and Specifications entitled: **GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD REHABILITATION, CITY PROJECT NO. CP - 1316000, FEDERAL PROJECT NO. CRAL-5328 (088)**. Said Plans and Specifications and any revision, amendments or addenda thereto are attached hereto and incorporated herein as part of this Contract and referred to by reference. The work to be done must also be in accordance with the General Provisions, Standard Specifications and Standard Plans of the CITY, which are also incorporated herein and referred to by, reference.
- 5.5 Time of Commencement and Completion.** CONTRACTOR shall have **ten (10) working days from the award of the Contract** to execute the Contract and supply the CITY with all the documents and information required by the Instructions to Bidders and the other Contract Documents, including but not limited to, the necessary bonds and insurance certificates and endorsements. Once the CITY receives the executed contract and all of the other properly drafted and executed documents and information, it may issue a Notice to Proceed to the CONTRACTOR. If CONTRACTOR refuses or fails to provide the required documents and information within the ten (10) city working days, the CITY may then rescind the award of the Contract and then award the Contract to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

**The Contract time shall commence on the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) calendar day following the Notice to Proceed** issued by the City and the CONTRACTOR agrees to submit shop drawings **within fourteen (14) calendar days**. Further, upon receipt of the Notice to Proceed, the CONTRACTOR shall diligently prosecute the work within **75 (Seventy Five) working days** to completion as required per the plans and specifications excluding delays caused or authorized by the CITY as set forth in Sections 5.7, 5.8 and 5.9 hereof.

- 5.6 Time is of the Essence.** Time is of the essence of this Contract.

Contractor shall have **fourteen (14) calendar days from the award of the Contract** to execute the Contract and supply CITY with all of the documents and information required by the Instruction to Bidders and the other Contract Documents, including but not limited to, the necessary bonds and insurance certificates and endorsements. Once the CITY receives the executed Contract and all of the other properly drafted and executed documents and information, it may issue a Notice to Proceed to the CONTRACTOR. If CONTRACTOR refuses or fails to execute the Contract or refuses or fails to provide the required documents and information within the fourteen (14) calendar days, the CITY may then rescind the award

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of the Contract and then award the Contract to the next lowest responsible and responsive bidder.

As required by the Contract Documents, CONTRACTOR shall prepare and obtain approval of all shop drawings, details and samples, and do all other things necessary and incidental to the prosecution of CONTRACTOR'S work in conformance with an approved construction progress schedule. CONTRACTOR shall coordinate the work covered by this Contract with that of all other CONTRACTORS, subcontractors and of the CITY, in a manner that will facilitate the efficient completion of the entire work in accordance with Section 5.5 herein. CITY shall have complete control of the premises on which the work is to be performed and shall have the right to decide the time or order in which the various portions of the work shall be installed or the priority of the work of other subcontractors, and, in general, all matters representing the timely and orderly conduct of the work of CONTRACTOR on the premises.

- 5.7 Excusable Delays.** CONTRACTOR shall be excused for any delay in the prosecution or completion of the Project caused by acts of God; inclement weather; damages caused by fire or other casualty for which CONTRACTOR is not responsible; any act of negligence or default of CITY; failure of CITY to make timely payments to CONTRACTOR; late delivery of materials required by this CONTRACT to be furnished by CITY; combined action of the workers in no way caused by or resulting from default or collusion on the part of CONTRACTOR; a lockout by CITY; or any other delays unforeseen by CONTRACTOR and beyond CONTRACTOR'S reasonable control.

CITY shall extend the time fixed in Section 5.5 herein for completion of the Project by the number of days CONTRACTOR has thus been delayed, provided that CONTRACTOR presents a written request to CITY for such time extension within fifteen (15) days of the commencement of such delay and CITY finds that the delay is justified. CITY'S decision will be conclusive on the parties to this Contract. Failure to file such request within the time allowed shall be deemed a waiver of the claim by CONTRACTOR.

No claims by CONTRACTOR for additional compensation or damages for delays will be allowed unless CONTRACTOR satisfies CITY that such delays were unavoidable and not the result of any action or inaction of CONTRACTOR and that CONTRACTOR took all available measures to mitigate such damages. Extensions of time and extra compensation as a result of incurring undisclosed utilities would be determined in accordance with SPECIAL PROVISIONS and Section 3-3 of the Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction 2020 Edition (GREEN BOOK). The CITY'S decision will be conclusive on all parties to this Contract.

- 5.8 Extra Work.** The Contract price includes compensation for all work performed by CONTRACTOR, unless CONTRACTOR obtains a written change order signed by a designated representative of CITY specifying the exact nature of the extra work and the amount of extra compensation to be paid all as more particularly set forth in Section 5.9 hereof.

CITY shall extend the time fixed in Section 5.5 for completion of the Project by the number of days reasonably required for CONTRACTOR to perform the extra work, as determined by CITY'S Engineer. The decision of the Engineer shall be final.

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**5.9 Changes in Project.**

**5.9.1** CITY may at any time, without notice to any surety, by written order designated or indicated to be a change order, make any change in the work within the general scope of the Contract, including but not limited to changes:

- a. In the Specifications (including drawings and designs);
- b. In the time, method or manner of performance of the work;
- c. In the CITY -furnished facilities, equipment, materials, services or site; or
- d. Directing acceleration in the performance of the work.

If CONTRACTOR believes that the written order issued as part of this Section 5.9.1 has caused an increase in costs or time, the CONTRACTOR shall submit a written request for equitable adjustment to the CITY that includes a detailed cost breakdown and time impact analysis in sufficient detail to allow the CITY to analyze the request. Said notice shall be submitted via certified mail within twenty (20) days of the CONTRACTOR'S receipt of the written order. CONTRACTOR'S failure to submit the written request for equitable adjustment within the required twenty (20) days shall constitute a waiver of any potential change order or claim for said alleged change. The CITY shall review CONTRACTOR'S request and shall provide a written response within thirty (30) days of receipt of the request either approving or denying the request.

**5.9.2** A change may also be any other conflict, difficulty or issue which the CONTRACTOR believes caused any change to the CONTRACTOR'S costs or project schedule, provided CONTRACTOR gives the CITY written notice and a request for equitable adjustment that includes a detailed cost breakdown and time impact analysis in sufficient detail to allow the CITY to analyze the request. The notice shall also state the date the CONTRACTOR became aware of the issue, circumstances and source of the issue and that CONTRACTOR regards the issue as a change order. Said written notice shall be delivered to the CITY via certified mail within twenty (20) days of CONTRACTOR'S first notice of the issue. CONTRACTOR'S failure to submit the notice, which includes the written request for equitable adjustment within the required twenty (20) days shall constitute a waiver of any potential change order or claim for said alleged change. The CITY shall review CONTRACTOR'S request and shall provide a written response within thirty (30) days of receipt of the request either approving or denying the request.

**5.9.3** Except as provided in this Section 5.9, no order, statement or conduct of the CITY or its representatives shall be treated as a change under this Section 5.9 or entitle CONTRACTOR to an equitable adjustment.

**5.9.4** Except for claims based on defective specifications, no claim for any change under paragraph 5.9.1 or 5.9.2 above shall be allowed for any work performed more than 20 days before the CONTRACTOR gives written notice as required in paragraphs 5.9.1 and 5.9.2. In the case of defective specifications for which the CITY is responsible, the equitable adjustment shall include any increased direct cost CONTRACTOR reasonably incurred in attempting to comply with those defective specifications.

**5.9.5** If CONTRACTOR intends to assert a claim for an equitable adjustment under this Section 5.9, it must, within thirty (30) days after receipt of a denial of a request for equitable adjustment under paragraphs 5.9.1 and 5.9.2, submit a written statement to

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the CITY setting forth the general nature and monetary extent of such claim. The CITY may extend the 30-day period. CONTRACTOR'S failure to submit the notice of a claim, within the required thirty (30) days shall constitute a waiver of the claim by the CONTRACTOR.

**5.9.6** No claim by CONTRACTOR for an equitable adjustment shall be allowed if made after final payment under this Agreement.

**5.9.7** CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to make any and all changes, furnish the materials and perform the work that CITY may require without nullifying this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall adhere strictly to the Plans and Specifications unless a change there from is authorized in writing by the CITY. Under no condition shall CONTRACTOR make any changes to the Project, either in additions or deductions, without the written order of the CITY and the CITY shall not pay for any extra charges made by CONTRACTOR that have not been agreed upon in advance in writing by the CITY. CONTRACTOR shall submit immediately to the CITY written copies of its firm's cost or credit proposal for change in the work. Disputed work shall be performed as ordered in writing by the CITY and the proper cost or credit breakdowns therefore shall be submitted without delay by CONTRACTOR to CITY.

**5.10 Liquidated Damages for Delay.** The parties agree that if the total work called for under this Contract, in all parts and requirements, is not completed within the time specified in Section 5.5 herein, plus the allowance made for delays or extensions authorized under Sections 5.7, 5.8 and 5.9 herein, the CITY will sustain damage which would be extremely difficult and impractical to ascertain. The parties therefore agree that CONTRACTOR will pay to CITY the sum of **Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) per day** for each and every calendar day during which completion of the Project is so delayed. CONTRACTOR agrees to pay such liquidated damages and further agrees that CITY may offset the amount of liquidated damages from any monies due or that may become due CONTRACTOR under the Contract.

**5.11 Contract Price and Method of Payment.** CITY agrees to pay and the CONTRACTOR agrees to accept as full consideration for the faithful performance of this Contract, subject to any subsequent additions or deductions as provided in approved change orders, the sum of **Two Million Forty Nine Thousand One Hundred and Seventy Five Dollars and No Cents (\$2,049,175.00)** as itemized in the bid proposal.

5Progress payments shall be made to the CONTRACTOR on a monthly basis for each successive month as the work progresses. The CONTRACTOR shall be paid such sum as will bring the total payments received since the commencement of the work up to ninety-five percent (95%) of the value of the work completed, less all previous payments, provided that the CONTRACTOR submits the request for payment prior to the end of the day required to meet the payment schedule. The CITY will retain five percent (5%) of the amount of each such progress estimate and material cost until 30 days after the recordation of the Notice of Completion.

Payments shall be made on demands drawn in the manner required by law, accompanied by a certificate signed by the CITY'S Engineer, stating that the work for which payment is demanded has been performed in accordance with the terms of the Contract. Partial payments of the Contract price shall not be considered as an acceptance of any part of the work.

**5.12 Substitution of Securities in Lieu of Retention of Funds.** Pursuant to California Public Works Contract Code § 22300, the CONTRACTOR will be entitled to post approved securities

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with the CITY or an approved financial institution in order to have the CITY release funds retained by the CITY to ensure performance of the Contract. CONTRACTOR shall be required to execute an addendum to this Contract together with escrow instructions and any other documents in order to effect this substitution.

**5.13 Completion.** Within 10 days after the contract completion date of the Project, CONTRACTOR shall file with the CITY'S Engineer its affidavit stating that all workers and persons employed, all firms supplying materials, and all subcontractors upon the Project have been paid in full, and that there are no claims outstanding against the Project for either labor or material, except those certain items, if any, to be set forth in an affidavit covering disputed claims, or items in connection with Stop Notices which have been filed under the provisions of the statutes of the State of California. CITY may require affidavits or certificates of payment and/or releases from any subcontractor, laborer or material supplier.

### **5.14 CONTRACTOR 's Employees Compensation**

**5.14.1 General Prevailing Rate.** CITY has ascertained CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable requirements of Division 2, Part 7, Chapter 1 of the California Labor Code and all applicable federal requirements respecting the payment of prevailing wages. If there is a difference between the minimum wage rates predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and the prevailing wage rates determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) for similar classifications of labor, the CONTRACTOR and its Subcontractors shall pay not less than the higher wage rate. The DIR will not accept lower State wage rates not specifically included in the Federal minimum wage determinations. This includes "helper" (or other classifications based on hours of experience) or any other classification not appearing in the Federal Wage determinations. Where Federal wage determinations do not contain the State wage rate determination otherwise available for use by the CONTRACTOR and Subcontractors, the CONTRACTOR and its Subcontractors shall pay not less than the Federal Minimum wage rate which most closely approximates the duties of the employees in question."

**5.14.2 Forfeiture for Violation.** CONTRACTOR shall, as a penalty to the CITY, forfeit one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for each calendar day or portion thereof for each worker paid (either by the CONTRACTOR or any subcontractor under it) less than the prevailing rate of per diem wages as set by the Director of Industrial Relations, in accordance with Sections 1770-1780 of the California Labor Code for the work provided for in this Contract, all in accordance with Section 1775 of the Labor Code of the State of California.

**5.14.3 Apprentices.** Section 1777.5, 1777.6 and 1777.7 of the Labor Code of the State of California, regarding the employment of apprentices is applicable to this Contract and the CONTRACTOR shall comply therewith; provided, however, that this requirement shall not apply if and/or to the extent that the Contract of the general CONTRACTOR, or the contracts of specialty contractors not bidding for work through a general or prime contractor involve less than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00).

**5.14.4 Workday.** In the performance of this Contract, not more than eight (8) hours shall constitute a day's work, and CONTRACTOR shall not require more than eight (8) hours of labor in a day from any person employed by him hereunder except as provided in paragraph (5.14.2) above. CONTRACTOR shall conform to Article 3,

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Chapter 1, Part 7 (Sections 1810 et seq.) of the Labor Code of the State of California and shall forfeit to the CITY as a penalty, the sum of twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for each worker employed in the execution of this Contract by CONTRACTOR or any subcontractor for each calendar day during which any worker is required or permitted to labor more than eight (8) hours in any one calendar day and forty (40) hours in any one week in violation of said Article. CONTRACTOR shall keep an accurate record showing the name and actual hours worked each calendar day and each calendar week by each worker employed by CONTRACTOR in connection with the Project.

**5.14.5 Record of Wages: Inspection.** CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain accurate payroll records showing the name, address, social security number, work classification, straight-time and overtime hours worked each day and week, and the actual per diem wages paid to each journeyman, apprentice, worker or other employee employed by it in connection with the Project and agrees to require that each of its subcontractors does the same. The applicable CONTRACTOR or subcontractor or its agent having authority over such matters shall certify all payroll records as accurate. CONTRACTOR further agrees that its payroll records and those of its subcontractors shall be available to the employee or employee's representative, the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, and the Division of Apprenticeship Standards and shall comply with all of the provisions of Labor Code Section 1776, in general. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all of the provisions of Labor Code Section 1776, and shall submit payroll records to the Labor Commissioner pursuant to Labor Code section 1771.4(a)(3). The CONTRACTOR shall submit copies of certified payroll reports **and cancelled checks** for labors, every two weeks to the Engineer. Certified payroll and cancelled checks submittals are due one month after start of construction and every two weeks thereafter. *If the certified payroll and cancelled checks are not submitted, the CONTRACTOR will be notified that compliance is required within five (5) working days or contract work must cease. The CITY will not be responsible for any delay or acceleration charges or any incurred costs or damages as a result of the work stoppage due to CONTRACTOR's failure to comply.* Work shall be ceased in an orderly, safe fashion with all vehicle access restored. Should this not occur, CITY will correct the deficiencies and deduct the cost from funds due to the CONTRACTOR. In addition, no progress payment shall be made until the copies of certified payroll reports and cancelled checks are submitted.

**5.14.6 Contractor Registration.** CONTRACTOR and its subcontractors must be registered with the California Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5. This Agreement shall not be effective until CONTRACTOR provides proof of registration to the CITY.

**5.14.7 Posting of Job Site Notices.** CONTRACTOR shall comply with the job site notices posting requirements established by the Labor Commissioner pursuant to Title 8, California Code of Regulations Section 16461(e) or other regulation promulgated pursuant to Labor Code Section 1771.4(a) (2).

**5.14.8 Notice of DIR Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement.** Pursuant to Labor Code Section 1771.4, this Project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the California Department of Industrial Relations.

**5.15 Surety Bonds.** CONTRACTOR shall, prior to entering into performance of this Agreement, furnish a performance bond, on the CITY's bond form in the amount of one hundred percent

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(100%) of the Contract price, to guarantee the faithful performance of the work, and a payment bond, on the CITY's form in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price, to guarantee payment of all claims for labor and materials furnished. Bonds submitted on any form other than the CITY's form will be rejected. The required bonds shall be from a surety licensed to do business in the State of California and with a current A.M. Best's rating of A-, VII. This Contract shall not become effective until such bonds are supplied and approved by the CITY."

### **5.16 Insurance.**

**5.16.1** COMMENCEMENT OF WORK. CONTRACTOR shall not commence work under this Agreement until all certificates and endorsements have been received and approved by the CITY. All insurance required by this Agreement shall contain a statement of obligation on the part of the carrier to notify the city of any material change, cancellation, or termination at least **thirty (30) days** in advance. A **waiver of subrogation** shall be provided by the insurer for **each policy** waiving subrogation against CITY, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers for this contract and all public agencies from whom permits will be obtained and their directors, officers, agents, and employees, as determined by the CITY, Claims **made** and **modified occurrence** policies **shall not be accepted** for any policy, unless otherwise indicated. All Subcontractors shall be required to provide and maintain the same insurances as required of CONTRACTOR under this contract. CONTRACTOR shall be required to collect and maintain all required insurances from all Subcontractors.

**5.16.2** CONTRACTOR is aware of the provisions of Section 3700 of the Labor Code, which requires every employer to be insured against liability for Workers' Compensation or undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of that Code, and will comply with such provisions before commencing the performance of the work of this Contract.

**5.16.3** CONTRACTOR and all Subcontractors shall carry workers' compensation insurance for the protection of its employees during the progress of the work. The insurer shall waive its rights of subrogation against the CITY, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers for this contract and all public agencies from whom permits will be obtained and their directors, officers, agents, and employees, as determined by the CITY, and shall issue a waiver of subrogation.

**5.16.4** Before CONTRACTOR performs any work at, or prepares or delivers materials to, the site of construction, CONTRACTOR shall furnish:

Additional Insured Endorsements, **ongoing and products-completed operations**, for the **Commercial General Liability policy**, including mobile equipment and not excluding XCU and on the **Contractors' Pollution Liability policy**, if available. Endorsements shall designate CITY, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers for this contract and all public agencies from whom permits will be obtained and their directors, officers, agents, and employees, as determined by the CITY, as additional insureds for liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide to CITY proof of insurance and endorsement forms that conform to CITY's requirements, as approved by the CITY (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10, CG 11 85 or **both** CG 20 10, CG 20 26, CG 20 33, or CG 20 28; **and** CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used). Insurance companies must be acceptable to CITY



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and have a minimum A.M. Best Guide rating of A-, class VII or better, as approved by CITY.

**Contractor's Pollution Legal Liability:** Insurance companies must be acceptable to City and have a Best's Guide Rating of A- Class VII or better, as approved by Authority. If policy is written on a claims-made form:

- 1) The retroactive date must be shown, and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
- 2) Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least three (3) years after completion of the contract work.
- 3) If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claims-made policy with a retroactive date prior to the contract effective date, the CONTRACTOR must purchase an extended period coverage for a minimum of three (3) years after completion of the contract work.
- 4) A copy of the claims reporting requirements must be submitted to the CITY for review.

**Automobile Liability** policy and shall designate CITY, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers for this contract and all public agencies from whom permits will be obtained and their directors, officers, agents, and employees, as determined by the CITY, as additional insured's for automobiles owned, leased, hired, or borrowed by the CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide to CITY proof of insurance and endorsement forms that conform to CITY's requirements, as approved by the CITY. Insurance companies must be acceptable to CITY and have a minimum A.M. Best Guide rating of A-, class VII or better, as approved by CITY).

A Loss Payee Endorsement for the **Course of Construction** policy designating the City of Garden Grove as Loss Payee. Insurance companies must be acceptable to CITY and have a minimum A.M. Best Guide rating of A-, class VII or better, as approved by CITY.

In the event any of CONTRACTOR'S underlying policies do not meet policy limits as required here in, CONTRACTOR shall provide the schedule of underlying polices for a **follows form excess liability** policy, state that the excess policy follows form on the insurance certificate, and an additional insured endorsement for the excess liability policy designating CITY, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers for this contract and all public agencies from whom permits will be obtained and their directors, officers, agents, and employees, as determined by the CITY, as additional insureds. Insurance companies must be acceptable to CITY and have a minimum A.M. Best Guide rating of A-, class VII or better, as approved by CITY.

For any claims related to this Project, the CONTRACTOR's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance at least as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13 as respects CITY, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers for this contract and all public agencies from whom permits will be obtained and their directors, officers, agents, and employees, as determined by the CITY. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the CITY, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and

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volunteers for this contract and all public agencies from whom permits will be obtained and their directors, officers, agents, and employees, as determined by the CITY, shall be excess of the CONTRACTOR's insurance and not contribute with it.

**5.16.5** Before CONTRACTOR performs any work at, or prepares or delivers materials to, the site of construction, CONTRACTOR shall furnish:

CONTRACTOR shall maintain all of the foregoing insurance coverage in force until the work under this Contract is fully completed. The requirement for carrying the foregoing insurance shall not derogate from the provisions for indemnification of CITY by CONTRACTOR under Section 5.17 of this Contract. Notwithstanding nor diminishing the obligations of CONTRACTOR with respect to the foregoing, CONTRACTOR shall subscribe for and maintain in full force and effect during the life of this Contract, the following insurance in amounts not less than the amounts specified and issued by a company admitted and licensed in California and having a Best's Guide Rating of A-Class VII or better:

Workers' Compensation	As required by the State of California.
Employer's Liability	Not less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.
Commercial General Liability (including on-going operations, products - completed operations, and mobile equipment, and not excluding XCU)	Not less than \$5,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage.
Contractor's Pollution Legal Liability	Not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence
Automobile Liability, for all automobiles including non-owned and hired vehicles	Not less than \$2,000,000 combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage.
Follows Form Excess Liability	Required for any underlying policy that does not meet the underlying policy limits required herein.

If contractor maintains higher insurance limits than the minimums shown above, CONTRACTOR shall provide coverage for the higher limits otherwise maintained by the CONTRACTOR.

CITY or its representatives shall at all times have the right to inspect and receive a certified copy of all said policies of insurance, including certificates and endorsements at CONTRACTORS sole cost and expense. CONTRACTOR shall pay the premiums on the insurance hereinabove required.

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5.17 **Risk and Indemnification.** All work covered by this Contract done at the site of construction or in preparing or delivering materials to the site shall be at the risk of CONTRACTOR alone. CONTRACTOR agrees to save, indemnify and keep the CITY, its Officers, Agents, Employees, Engineers, and Consultants for this Contract, and all public agencies from whom permits will be obtained and their directors, Officers, Agents and Employees harmless against any and all liability, claims, judgments, costs and demands, including demands arising from injuries or death of persons (CONTRACTOR'S employees included) and damage to property, arising directly or indirectly out of the obligations herein undertaken or out of the operations conducted by CONTRACTOR, save and except claims or litigation arising through the sole negligence or sole willful misconduct of CITY and will make good to reimburse CITY for any expenditures, including reasonable attorneys' fees CITY may incur by reason of such matters, and if requested by CITY, will defend any such suits at the sole cost and expense of CONTRACTOR.

### **5.18 Termination.**

**5.18.1** This Contract may be terminated in whole or in part in writing by the CITY for its convenience, provided that the CONTRACTOR is given (1) not less than ten (10) calendar days written notice (delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested) of intent to terminate, and (2) an opportunity for consultation with the terminating party prior to termination.

**5.18.2** If termination for default or convenience is effected by the CITY, an equitable adjustment in the price provided for in this Contract shall be made, but (1) no amount shall be allowed for anticipated profit on unperformed services or other work, and (2) any payment due to the CONTRACTOR at the time of termination may be adjusted to cover any additional costs to the CITY because of the CONTRACTOR'S default.

**5.18.3** Upon receipt of a termination action under paragraph (5.18.1) or (5.18.2) above, the CONTRACTOR shall (1) promptly discontinue all affected work (unless the notice directs otherwise), and (2) deliver or otherwise make available to the CITY all data, drawings, specifications, reports, estimates, summaries and such other information and materials as may have been accumulated by the CONTRACTOR in performing this Contract whether completed or in process.

**5.18.4** Upon termination under paragraphs (5.18.1) and (5.18.2) above, the CITY may take over the work and may award another party an agreement to complete the work under this Contract.

**5.19 Warranty.** The CONTRACTOR agrees to perform all work under this Contract in accordance with the CITY's designs, drawings and specifications.

The CONTRACTOR guarantees for a period of one (1) year from the date of the notice of completion of the work that the completed work is free from all defects due to faulty materials, equipment or workmanship and that he shall promptly make whatever adjustments or corrections which may be necessary to cure any defects, including repairs or any damage to other parts of the system resulting from such defects. The CITY shall promptly give notice to the CONTRACTOR of observed defects. In the event that the CONTRACTOR fails to make adjustments, repairs, corrections or other work made necessary by such defects, the CITY may do so and charge the CONTRACTOR the cost incurred. The performance bond shall remain in full force and effect through the guarantee period.

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The CONTRACTOR'S obligations under this clause are in addition to the CONTRACTOR'S other express or implied assurances of this Contract or state law and in no way diminish any other rights that the CITY may have against the CONTRACTOR for faulty materials, equipment or work.

**5.20 Attorneys' Fees.** If any action at law or in equity is necessary to enforce or interpret the terms of this Contract, each shall bear its own attorneys' fees, costs and necessary disbursements. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any action is brought against the CONTRACTOR or any subcontractor to enforce a Stop Notice or Notice to Withhold, which named the CITY as a party to said action, the CITY shall be entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees, costs and necessary disbursements arising out of the defense of such action by the CITY. The CITY shall be entitled to deduct its costs for any Stop Notice filed, whether court action is involved or not.

**5.21 Notices.** Any notice required or permitted under this Contract may be given by ordinary mail at the address set forth below. Any party whose address changes shall notify the other party in writing.

TO CITY:

*City of Garden Grove.  
Public Works Department  
Attention: Navin Maru  
11222 Acacia Parkway  
Garden Grove, CA 92842  
(714) 741-5180  
(714) 741-5578 Fax*

TO CONTRACTOR:

*R J Noble Company  
Steven L. Mendoza, Secretary  
15505 E. Lincoln Avenue  
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A. Employment and Materials Preference for Appalachian Development Highway System or Appalachian Local Access Road Contracts (included in Appalachian contracts only)

**I. GENERAL**

1. Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated in each construction contract funded under title 23, United States Code, as required in 23 CFR 633.102(b) (excluding emergency contracts solely intended for debris removal). The contractor (or subcontractor) must insert this form in each subcontract and further require its inclusion in all lower tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services). 23 CFR 633.102(e).

The applicable requirements of Form FHWA-1273 are incorporated by reference for work done under any purchase order, rental agreement or agreement for other services. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider. 23 CFR 633.102(e).

Form FHWA-1273 must be included in all Federal-aid design-build contracts, in all subcontracts and in lower tier subcontracts (excluding subcontracts for design services, purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services) in accordance with 23 CFR 633.102. The design-builder shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider.

Contracting agencies may reference Form FHWA-1273 in solicitation-for-bids or request-for-proposals documents, however, the Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated (not referenced) in all contracts, subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services related to a construction contract). 23 CFR 633.102(b).

2. Subject to the applicability criteria noted in the following sections, these contract provisions shall apply to all work performed on the contract by the contractor's own organization and with the assistance of workers under the contractor's immediate superintendence and to all work performed on the contract by piecework, station work, or by subcontract. 23 CFR 633.102(d).

3. A breach of any of the stipulations contained in these Required Contract Provisions may be sufficient grounds for withholding of progress payments, withholding of final payment, termination of the contract, suspension / debarment or any other action determined to be appropriate by the contracting agency and FHWA.

4. Selection of Labor: During the performance of this contract, the contractor shall not use convict labor for any purpose within the limits of a construction project on a Federal-aid highway unless it is labor performed by convicts who are on parole, supervised release, or probation. 23 U.S.C. 114(b). The term Federal-aid highway does not include roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors. 23 U.S.C. 101(a).

**II. NONDISCRIMINATION** (23 CFR 230.107(a); 23 CFR Part 230, Subpart A, Appendix A; EO 11246)

The provisions of this section related to 23 CFR Part 230, Subpart A, Appendix A are applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of \$10,000 or more. The provisions of 23 CFR Part 230 are not applicable to material supply, engineering, or architectural service contracts.

In addition, the contractor and all subcontractors must comply with the following policies: Executive Order 11246, 41 CFR Part 60, 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627, 23 U.S.C. 140, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26, and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The contractor and all subcontractors must comply with: the requirements of the Equal Opportunity Clause in 41 CFR 60-1.4(b) and, for all construction contracts exceeding \$10,000, the Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications in 41 CFR 60-4.3.

Note: The U.S. Department of Labor has exclusive authority to determine compliance with Executive Order 11246 and the policies of the Secretary of Labor including 41 CFR Part 60, and 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627. The contracting agency and the FHWA have the authority and the responsibility to ensure compliance with 23 U.S.C. 140, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26, and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The following provision is adopted from 23 CFR Part 230, Subpart A, Appendix A, with appropriate revisions to conform to the U.S. Department of Labor (US DOL) and FHWA requirements.

**1. Equal Employment Opportunity:** Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) requirements not to discriminate and to take affirmative action to assure equal opportunity as set forth under laws, executive orders, rules, regulations (see 28 CFR Part 35, 29 CFR Part 1630, 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627, 41 CFR Part 60 and 49 CFR Part 27) and orders of the Secretary of Labor as modified by the provisions prescribed herein, and imposed pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 140, shall constitute the EEO and specific affirmative action standards for the contractor's project activities under this contract. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) set forth under 28 CFR Part 35 and 29 CFR Part 1630 are incorporated by reference in this contract. In the execution of this contract, the contractor agrees to comply with the following minimum specific requirement activities of EEO:

a. The contractor will work with the contracting agency and the Federal Government to ensure that it has made every good faith effort to provide equal opportunity with respect to all of its terms and conditions of employment and in their review of activities under the contract. 23 CFR 230.409 (g)(4) & (5).

b. The contractor will accept as its operating policy the following statement:

"It is the policy of this Company to assure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, color, national origin, age or disability. Such action shall include: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship, pre-apprenticeship, and/or on-the-job training."

**2. EEO Officer:** The contractor will designate and make known to the contracting officers an EEO Officer who will have the responsibility for and must be capable of effectively administering and promoting an active EEO program and who must be assigned adequate authority and responsibility to do so.

**3. Dissemination of Policy:** All members of the contractor's staff who are authorized to hire, supervise, promote, and discharge employees, or who recommend such action or are substantially involved in such action, will be made fully cognizant of and will implement the contractor's EEO policy and contractual responsibilities to provide EEO in each grade and classification of employment. To ensure that the above agreement will be met, the following actions will be taken as a minimum:

a. Periodic meetings of supervisory and personnel office employees will be conducted before the start of work and then not less often than once every six months, at which time the contractor's EEO policy and its implementation will be reviewed and explained. The meetings will be conducted by the EEO Officer or other knowledgeable company official.

b. All new supervisory or personnel office employees will be given a thorough indoctrination by the EEO Officer, covering all major aspects of the contractor's EEO obligations within thirty days following their reporting for duty with the contractor.

c. All personnel who are engaged in direct recruitment for the project will be instructed by the EEO Officer in the contractor's procedures for locating and hiring minorities and women.

d. Notices and posters setting forth the contractor's EEO policy will be placed in areas readily accessible to employees, applicants for employment and potential employees.

e. The contractor's EEO policy and the procedures to implement such policy will be brought to the attention of employees by means of meetings, employee handbooks, or other appropriate means.

**4. Recruitment:** When advertising for employees, the contractor will include in all advertisements for employees the notation: "An Equal Opportunity Employer." All such advertisements will be placed in publications having a large circulation among minorities and women in the area from which the project work force would normally be derived.

a. The contractor will, unless precluded by a valid bargaining agreement, conduct systematic and direct recruitment through public and private employee referral sources likely to yield qualified minorities and women. To meet this requirement, the contractor will identify sources of potential minority group employees and establish with such identified sources procedures whereby minority and women applicants may be referred to the contractor for employment consideration.

b. In the event the contractor has a valid bargaining agreement providing for exclusive hiring hall referrals, the contractor is expected to observe the provisions of that agreement to the extent that the system meets the contractor's compliance with EEO contract provisions. Where implementation of such an agreement has the effect of discriminating against minorities or women, or obligates the contractor to do the same, such implementation violates Federal nondiscrimination provisions.

c. The contractor will encourage its present employees to refer minorities and women as applicants for employment. Information and procedures with regard to referring such applicants will be discussed with employees.

**5. Personnel Actions:** Wages, working conditions, and employee benefits shall be established and administered, and personnel actions of every type, including hiring, upgrading, promotion, transfer, demotion, layoff, and termination, shall be taken without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age or disability. The following procedures shall be followed:

a. The contractor will conduct periodic inspections of project sites to ensure that working conditions and employee facilities do not indicate discriminatory treatment of project site personnel.

b. The contractor will periodically evaluate the spread of wages paid within each classification to determine any evidence of discriminatory wage practices.

c. The contractor will periodically review selected personnel actions in depth to determine whether there is evidence of discrimination. Where evidence is found, the contractor will promptly take corrective action. If the review indicates that the discrimination may extend beyond the actions reviewed, such corrective action shall include all affected persons.

d. The contractor will promptly investigate all complaints of alleged discrimination made to the contractor in connection with its obligations under this contract, will attempt to resolve such complaints, and will take appropriate corrective action within a reasonable time. If the investigation indicates that the discrimination may affect persons other than the complainant, such corrective action shall include such other persons. Upon completion of each investigation, the contractor will inform every complainant of all of their avenues of appeal.

**6. Training and Promotion:**

a. The contractor will assist in locating, qualifying, and increasing the skills of minorities and women who are applicants for employment or current employees. Such efforts should be aimed at developing full journey level status employees in the type of trade or job classification involved.

b. Consistent with the contractor's work force requirements and as permissible under Federal and State regulations, the contractor shall make full use of training programs (i.e., apprenticeship and on-the-job training programs for the geographical area of contract performance). In the event a special provision for training is provided under this contract, this subparagraph will be superseded as indicated in the special provision. The contracting agency may reserve training positions for persons who receive welfare assistance in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 140(a).

c. The contractor will advise employees and applicants for employment of available training programs and entrance requirements for each.

d. The contractor will periodically review the training and promotion potential of employees who are minorities and women and will encourage eligible employees to apply for such training and promotion.

**7. Unions:** If the contractor relies in whole or in part upon unions as a source of employees, the contractor will use good faith efforts to obtain the cooperation of such unions to increase opportunities for minorities and women. 23 CFR 230.409. Actions by the contractor, either directly or through a contractor's association acting as agent, will include the procedures set forth below:

a. The contractor will use good faith efforts to develop, in cooperation with the unions, joint training programs aimed toward qualifying more minorities and women for membership in the unions and increasing the skills of minorities and women so that they may qualify for higher paying employment.

b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to incorporate an EEO clause into each union agreement to the end that such union will be contractually bound to refer applicants without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability.

c. The contractor is to obtain information as to the referral practices and policies of the labor union except that to the extent such information is within the exclusive possession of the labor union and such labor union refuses to furnish such information to the contractor, the contractor shall so certify to the contracting agency and shall set forth what efforts have been made to obtain such information.

d. In the event the union is unable to provide the contractor with a reasonable flow of referrals within the time limit set forth in the collective bargaining agreement, the contractor will, through independent recruitment efforts, fill the employment vacancies without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability; making full efforts to obtain qualified and/or qualified minorities and women. The failure of a union to provide sufficient referrals (even though it is obligated to provide exclusive referrals under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement) does not relieve the contractor from the requirements of this paragraph. In the event the union referral practice prevents the contractor from meeting the obligations pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and these special provisions, such contractor shall immediately notify the contracting agency.

**8. Reasonable Accommodation for Applicants / Employees with Disabilities:** The contractor must be familiar with the requirements for and comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and all rules and regulations established thereunder. Employers must provide reasonable accommodation in all employment activities unless to do so would cause an undue hardship.

**9. Selection of Subcontractors, Procurement of Materials and Leasing of Equipment:** The contractor shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure nondiscrimination in the administration of this contract.

a. The contractor shall notify all potential subcontractors, suppliers, and lessors of their EEO obligations under this contract.

b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to ensure subcontractor compliance with their EEO obligations.

**10. Assurance Required:**

a. The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 and the State DOT's FHWA-approved Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program are incorporated by reference.

b. The contractor, subrecipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate, which may include, but is not limited to:

- (1) Withholding monthly progress payments;
- (2) Assessing sanctions;
- (3) Liquidated damages; and/or
- (4) Disqualifying the contractor from future bidding as non-responsible.

c. The Title VI and nondiscrimination provisions of U.S. DOT Order 1050.2A at Appendixes A and E are incorporated by reference. 49 CFR Part 21.

**11. Records and Reports:** The contractor shall keep such records as necessary to document compliance with the EEO requirements. Such records shall be retained for a period of three years following the date of the final payment to the contractor for all contract work and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of the contracting agency and the FHWA.

a. The records kept by the contractor shall document the following:

- (1) The number and work hours of minority and non-minority group members and women employed in each work classification on the project;
- (2) The progress and efforts being made in cooperation with unions, when applicable, to increase employment opportunities for minorities and women; and
- (3) The progress and efforts being made in locating, hiring, training, qualifying, and upgrading minorities and women.



b. The contractors and subcontractors will submit an annual report to the contracting agency each July for the duration of the project indicating the number of minority, women, and non-minority group employees currently engaged in each work classification required by the contract work. This information is to be reported on Form FHWA-1391. The staffing data should represent the project work force on board in all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July. If on-the-job training is being required by special provision, the contractor will be required to collect and report training data. The employment data should reflect the work force on board during all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July.

### III. NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of more than \$10,000. 41 CFR 60-1.5.

As prescribed by 41 CFR 60-1.8, the contractor must ensure that facilities provided for employees are provided in such a manner that segregation on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin cannot result. The contractor may neither require such segregated use by written or oral policies nor tolerate such use by employee custom. The contractor's obligation extends further to ensure that its employees are not assigned to perform their services at any location under the contractor's control where the facilities are segregated. The term "facilities" includes waiting rooms, work areas, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, restrooms, washrooms, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing provided for employees. The contractor shall provide separate or single-user restrooms and necessary dressing or sleeping areas to assure privacy between sexes.

### IV. DAVIS-BACON AND RELATED ACT PROVISIONS

This section is applicable to all Federal-aid construction projects exceeding \$2,000 and to all related subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (regardless of subcontract size), in accordance with 29 CFR 5.5. The requirements apply to all projects located within the right-of-way of a roadway that is functionally classified as Federal-aid highway. 23 U.S.C. 113. This excludes roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors, which are exempt. 23 U.S.C. 101. Where applicable law requires that projects be treated as a project on a Federal-aid highway, the provisions of this subpart will apply regardless of the location of the project. Examples include: Surface Transportation Block Grant Program projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 133 [excluding recreational trails projects], the Nationally Significant Freight and Highway Projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 117, and National Highway Freight Program projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 167.

The following provisions are from the U.S. Department of Labor regulations in 29 CFR 5.5 "Contract provisions and related matters" with minor revisions to conform to the FHWA-1273 format and FHWA program requirements.

#### 1. Minimum wages (29 CFR 5.5)

a. All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work, will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR part 3)), the full amount of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the contractor and such laborers and mechanics.

Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of paragraph 1.d. of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(4). Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein: Provided, That the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classification and wage rates conformed under paragraph 1.b. of this section) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) shall be posted at all times by the contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.

- b. (1) The contracting officer shall require that any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. The contracting officer shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefore only when the following criteria have been met:
- (i) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and
  - (ii) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and
  - (iii) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.
- (2) If the contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the contracting officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by the contracting officer to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(3) In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the contracting officer shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting officer, to the Administrator for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(4) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraphs 1.b.(2) or 1.b.(3) of this section, shall be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

c. Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the contractor shall either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or shall pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof.

d. If the contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the contractor may consider as part of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program, Provided, That the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the contractor, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program.

## 2. Withholding (29 CFR 5.5)

The contracting agency shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor under this contract, or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same prime contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, trainees, and helpers, employed by the contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee, or helper, employed or working on the site of the work, all or part of the wages required by the contract, the contracting agency may, after written notice to the contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased.

## 3. Payrolls and basic records (29 CFR 5.5)

a. Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the contractor during the course of the work and preserved for a period of three years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work. Such records shall contain the name, address, and social security number of each such worker, his or her correct classification, hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act), daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made and actual wages paid. Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(iv) that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act, the contractor shall maintain records which show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing such benefits. Contractors employing apprentices or trainees under approved programs shall maintain written evidence of the registration of apprenticeship programs and certification of trainee programs, the registration of the apprentices and trainees, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.

b. (1) The contractor shall submit weekly for each week in which any contract work is performed a copy of all payrolls to the contracting agency. The payrolls submitted shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i), except that full social security numbers and home addresses shall not be included on weekly transmittals. Instead the payrolls shall only need to include an individually identifying number for each employee (e.g., the last four digits of the employee's social security number). The required weekly payroll information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose from the Wage and Hour Division Web site. The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors. Contractors and subcontractors shall maintain the full social security number and current address of each covered worker, and shall provide them upon request to the contracting agency for transmission to the State DOT, the FHWA or the Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor for purposes of an investigation or audit of compliance with prevailing wage requirements. It is not a violation of this section for a prime contractor to require a subcontractor to provide addresses and social security numbers to the prime contractor for its own records, without weekly submission to the contracting agency.

(2) Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the contractor or subcontractor or his or her agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons employed under the contract and shall certify the following:

(i) That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(ii), the appropriate information is being maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i), and that such information is correct and complete;

(ii) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper, apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in 29 CFR part 3;

(iii) That each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification of work performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.

(3) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by paragraph 3.b.(2) of this section.

(4) The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 31 U.S.C. 231.

c. The contractor or subcontractor shall make the records required under paragraph 3.a. of this section available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the contracting agency, the State DOT, the FHWA, or the Department of Labor, and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, the FHWA may, after written notice to the contractor, the contracting agency or the State DOT, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to 29 CFR 5.12.

#### 4. Apprentices and trainees (29 CFR 5.5)

##### a. Apprentices (programs of the USDOL).

Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they performed when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, or if a person is employed in his or her first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice.

The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeymen on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated above, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. Where a contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than that in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyman's hourly rate) specified in the contractor's or subcontractor's registered program shall be observed.

Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeymen hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination.

In the event the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

##### b. Trainees (programs of the USDOL).

Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration.

The ratio of trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration.

Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate on the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed.

In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a training program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

c. Equal employment opportunity. The utilization of apprentices, trainees and journeymen under this part shall be in conformity with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, and 29 CFR part 30.

## d. Apprentices and Trainees (programs of the U.S. DOT).

Apprentices and trainees working under apprenticeship and skill training programs which have been certified by the Secretary of Transportation as promoting EEO in connection with Federal-aid highway construction programs are not subject to the requirements of paragraph 4 of this Section IV. 23 CFR 230.111(e)(2). The straight time hourly wage rates for apprentices and trainees under such programs will be established by the particular programs. The ratio of apprentices and trainees to journeymen shall not be greater than permitted by the terms of the particular program.

**5. Compliance with Copeland Act requirements.** The contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR part 3, which are incorporated by reference in this contract as provided in 29 CFR 5.5.

**6. Subcontracts.** The contractor or subcontractor shall insert Form FHWA-1273 in any subcontracts and also require the subcontractors to include Form FHWA-1273 in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5.

**7. Contract termination: debarment.** A breach of the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5 may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR 5.12.

**8. Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act requirements.** All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract as provided in 29 CFR 5.5.

**9. Disputes concerning labor standards.** As provided in 29 CFR 5.5, disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of this contract shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR parts 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the contracting agency, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

**10. Certification of eligibility** (29 CFR 5.5)

a. By entering into this contract, the contractor certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in the contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

b. No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

c. The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 1001.

**V. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT**

Pursuant to 29 CFR 5.5(b), the following clauses apply to any Federal-aid construction contract in an amount in excess of \$100,000 and subject to the overtime provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. These clauses shall be inserted in addition to the clauses required by 29 CFR 5.5(a) or 29 CFR 4.6. As used in this paragraph, the terms laborers and mechanics include watchmen and guards.

**1. Overtime requirements.** No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek. 29 CFR 5.5.

**2. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages.** In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph 1 of this section, the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph 1 of this section, in the sum currently provided in 29 CFR 5.5(b)(2)\* for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph 1 of this section. 29 CFR 5.5.

\* \$27 as of January 23, 2019 (See 84 FR 213-01, 218) as may be adjusted annually by the Department of Labor; pursuant to the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act of 1990).

**3. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages.** The FHWA or the contracting agency shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph 2 of this section. 29 CFR 5.5.

**4. Subcontracts.** The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraphs 1 through 4 of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs 1 through 4 of this section. 29 CFR 5.5.

**VI. SUBLETTING OR ASSIGNING THE CONTRACT**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts on the National Highway System pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116.

1. The contractor shall perform with its own organization contract work amounting to not less than 30 percent (or a greater percentage if specified elsewhere in the contract) of the total original contract price, excluding any specialty items designated by the contracting agency. Specialty items may be performed by subcontract and the amount of any such specialty items performed may be deducted from the total original contract price before computing the amount of work required to be performed by the contractor's own organization (23 CFR 635.116).

a. The term "perform work with its own organization" in paragraph 1 of Section VI refers to workers employed or leased by the prime contractor, and equipment owned or rented by the prime contractor, with or without operators. Such term does not include employees or equipment of a subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor, agents of the prime contractor, or any other assignees. The term may include payments for the costs of hiring leased employees from an employee leasing firm meeting all relevant Federal and State regulatory requirements. Leased employees may only be included in this term if the prime contractor meets all of the following conditions: (based on longstanding interpretation)

(1) the prime contractor maintains control over the supervision of the day-to-day activities of the leased employees;

(2) the prime contractor remains responsible for the quality of the work of the leased employees;

(3) the prime contractor retains all power to accept or exclude individual employees from work on the project; and

(4) the prime contractor remains ultimately responsible for the payment of predetermined minimum wages, the submission of payrolls, statements of compliance and all other Federal regulatory requirements.

b. "Specialty Items" shall be construed to be limited to work that requires highly specialized knowledge, abilities, or equipment not ordinarily available in the type of contracting organizations qualified and expected to bid or propose on the contract as a whole and in general are to be limited to minor components of the overall contract. 23 CFR 635.102.

2. Pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116(a), the contract amount upon which the requirements set forth in paragraph (1) of Section VI is computed includes the cost of material and manufactured products which are to be purchased or produced by the contractor under the contract provisions.

3. Pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116(c), the contractor shall furnish (a) a competent superintendent or supervisor who is employed by the firm, has full authority to direct performance of the work in accordance with the contract requirements, and is in charge of all construction operations (regardless of who performs the work) and (b) such other of its own organizational resources (supervision, management, and engineering services) as the contracting officer determines is necessary to assure the performance of the contract.

4. No portion of the contract shall be sublet, assigned or otherwise disposed of except with the written consent of the contracting officer, or authorized representative, and such consent when given shall not be construed to relieve the contractor of any responsibility for the fulfillment of the contract. Written consent will be given only after the contracting agency has assured that each subcontract is evidenced in writing and that it contains all pertinent provisions and requirements of the prime contract. (based on long-standing interpretation of 23 CFR 635.116).

5. The 30-percent self-performance requirement of paragraph (1) is not applicable to design-build contracts; however, contracting agencies may establish their own self-performance requirements. 23 CFR 635.116(d).

**VII. SAFETY: ACCIDENT PREVENTION**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

1. In the performance of this contract the contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws governing safety, health, and sanitation (23 CFR Part 635). The contractor shall provide all safeguards, safety devices and protective equipment and take any other needed actions as it determines, or as the contracting officer may determine, to be reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract. 23 CFR 635.108.

2. It is a condition of this contract, and shall be made a condition of each subcontract, which the contractor enters into pursuant to this contract, that the contractor and any subcontractor shall not permit any employee, in performance of the contract, to work in surroundings or under conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous to his/her health or safety, as determined under construction safety and health standards (29 CFR Part 1926) promulgated by the Secretary of Labor, in accordance with Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3704). 29 CFR 1926.10.

3. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1926.3, it is a condition of this contract that the Secretary of Labor or authorized representative thereof, shall have right of entry to any site of contract performance to inspect or investigate the matter of compliance with the construction safety and health standards and to carry out the duties of the Secretary under Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3704).

**VIII. FALSE STATEMENTS CONCERNING HIGHWAY PROJECTS**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

In order to assure high quality and durable construction in conformity with approved plans and specifications and a high degree of reliability on statements and representations made by engineers, contractors, suppliers, and workers on Federal-aid highway projects, it is essential that all persons concerned with the project perform their functions as carefully, thoroughly, and honestly as possible. Willful falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation with respect to any facts related to the project is a violation of Federal law. To prevent any misunderstanding regarding the seriousness of these and similar acts, Form FHWA-1022 shall be posted on each Federal-aid highway project (23 CFR Part 635) in one or more places where it is readily available to all persons concerned with the project:

18 U.S.C. 1020 reads as follows:

"Whoever, being an officer, agent, or employee of the United States, or of any State or Territory, or whoever, whether a person, association, firm, or corporation, knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, or false report as to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of the material used or to be used, or the quantity or quality of the work performed or to be performed, or the cost thereof in connection with the submission of plans, maps, specifications, contracts, or costs of construction on any highway or related project submitted for approval to the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, false report or false claim with respect to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of any work performed or to be performed, or materials furnished or to be furnished, in connection with the construction of any highway or related project approved by the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement or false representation as to material fact in any statement, certificate, or report submitted pursuant to provisions of the Federal-aid Roads Act approved July 11, 1916, (39 Stat. 355), as amended and supplemented;

Shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 5 years or both."

**IX. IMPLEMENTATION OF CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT** (42 U.S.C. 7606; 2 CFR 200.88; EO 11738)

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts in excess of \$150,000 and to all related subcontracts. 48 CFR 2.101; 2 CFR 200.326.

By submission of this bid/proposal or the execution of this contract or subcontract, as appropriate, the bidder, proposer, Federal-aid construction contractor, subcontractor, supplier, or vendor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal Highway Administration and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency. 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II.

The contractor agrees to include or cause to be included the requirements of this Section in every subcontract, and further agrees to take such action as the contracting agency may direct as a means of enforcing such requirements. 2 CFR 200.326.

**X. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts, design-build contracts, subcontracts, lower-tier subcontracts, purchase orders, lease agreements, consultant contracts or any other covered transaction requiring FHWA approval or that is estimated to cost \$25,000 or more – as defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200. 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

**1. Instructions for Certification – First Tier Participants:**

a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective first tier participant is providing the certification set out below.

b. The inability of a person to provide the certification set out below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective first tier participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective first tier participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such a person from participation in this transaction. 2 CFR 180.320.

c. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the contracting agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the contracting agency may terminate this transaction for cause of default. 2 CFR 180.325.

d. The prospective first tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the contracting agency to whom this proposal is submitted if any time the prospective first tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. 2 CFR 180.345 and 180.350.

e. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180, Subpart I, 180.900-180.1020, and 1200. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

f. The prospective first tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction. 2 CFR 180.330.

g. The prospective first tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions," provided by the department or contracting agency, entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold. 2 CFR 180.220 and 180.300.

h. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. 2 CFR 180.300; 180.320, and 180.325. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. 2 CFR 180.335. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the System for Award Management website (<https://www.sam.gov>). 2 CFR 180.300, 180.320, and 180.325.

i. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require the establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of the prospective participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

j. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph (f) of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default. 2 CFR 180.325.

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## 2. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – First Tier Participants:

a. The prospective first tier participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

- (1) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency, 2 CFR 180.335;
- (2) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property, 2 CFR 180.800;
- (3) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(2) of this certification, 2 CFR 180.700 and 180.800; and
- (4) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default. 2 CFR 180.335(d).
- (5) Are not a corporation that has been convicted of a felony violation under any Federal law within the two-year period preceding this proposal (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements); and
- (6) Are not a corporation with any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted, or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements).

b. Where the prospective participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant should attach an explanation to this proposal. 2 CFR 180.335 and 180.340.

## 3. Instructions for Certification - Lower Tier Participants:

(Applicable to all subcontracts, purchase orders, and other lower tier transactions requiring prior FHWA approval or estimated to cost \$25,000 or more - 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200). 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.

b. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department, or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

c. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. 2 CFR 180.365.

d. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180, Subpart I, 180.900 – 180.1020, and 1200. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

e. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated. 2 CFR 1200.220 and 1200.332.

f. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold. 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

g. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the System for Award Management website (<https://www.sam.gov/>), which is compiled by the General Services Administration. 2 CFR 180.300, 180.320, 180.330, and 180.335.

h. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

i. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph e of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment. 2 CFR 180.325.

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**Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Participants:**

1. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals:

(a) is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency, 2 CFR 180.355;

(b) is a corporation that has been convicted of a felony violation under any Federal law within the two-year period preceding this proposal (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements); and

(c) is a corporation with any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted, or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability. (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements)

2. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant should attach an explanation to this proposal.

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**XI. CERTIFICATION REGARDING USE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FOR LOBBYING**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts which exceed \$100,000. 49 CFR Part 20, App. A.

1. The prospective participant certifies, by signing and submitting this bid or proposal, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

a. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

b. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

2. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

3. The prospective participant also agrees by submitting its bid or proposal that the participant shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier subcontracts, which exceed \$100,000 and that all such recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

**XII. USE OF UNITED STATES-FLAG VESSELS:**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts, design-build contracts, subcontracts, lower-tier subcontracts, purchase orders, lease agreements, or any other covered transaction. 46 CFR Part 381.

This requirement applies to material or equipment that is acquired for a specific Federal-aid highway project. 46 CFR 381.7. It is not applicable to goods or materials that come into inventories independent of an FHWA funded-contract.

When oceanic shipments (or shipments across the Great Lakes) are necessary for materials or equipment acquired for a specific Federal-aid construction project, the bidder, proposer, contractor, subcontractor, or vendor agrees:

1. To utilize privately owned United States-flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50 percent of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment, material, or commodities pursuant to this contract, to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for United States-flag commercial vessels. 46 CFR 381.7.

2. To furnish within 20 days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating outside the United States, a legible copy of a rated, 'on-board' commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in paragraph (b)(1) of this section to both the Contracting Officer (through the prime contractor in the case of subcontractor bills-of-lading) and to the Office of Cargo and Commercial Sealift (MAR-620), Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590. (MARAD requires copies of the ocean carrier's (master) bills of lading, certified onboard, dated, with rates and charges. These bills of lading may contain business sensitive information and therefore may be submitted directly to MARAD by the Ocean Transportation Intermediary on behalf of the contractor). 46 CFR 381.7.



**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, these parties have executed this Construction Agreement on the day and year shown below.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**"CITY"**  
**CITY OF GARDEN GROVE**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

**Scott C. Stiles**  
**City Manager**

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**"CONTRACTOR"**  
**R J NOBLE COMPANY**

CONTRACTOR'S State License No. 782908

(Expiration Date: August 21, 2024)

CONTRACTOR'S DIR No. 1000004235, Exp. 6/30/2025  
Attached Copy of your DIR Certificate.

\_\_\_\_\_  
By:

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Garden Grove City Attorney

Date \_\_\_\_\_

If CONTRACTOR is a corporation, a Corporate Resolution and/or Corporate Seal is required.

# CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT

## R J NOBLE COMPANY

THIS AGREEMENT is made this 11th day of October, 2022 by the CITY OF GARDEN GROVE, a municipal corporation, ("CITY"), and R J Noble Company., hereinafter referred to as ("CONTRACTOR").

### RECITALS:

The following recitals are a substantive part of this Agreement:

1. This Agreement is entered into pursuant to Garden Grove City Council Authorization dated October 11, 2022.
2. CITY desires to utilize the services of CONTRACTOR to furnish material, equipment, and labor for the **GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD REHABILITATION, CITY PROJECT NO. CP – 1316000, FEDERAL PROJECT NO. CRAL-5328 (088)**.
3. CONTRACTOR is qualified by virtue of experience, training, education, and expertise to accomplish services.

### AGREEMENT

THE PARTIES MUTUALLY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

**5.1 General Conditions.** CONTRACTOR certifies and agrees that all the terms, conditions and obligations of the Contract Documents as hereinafter defined, the location of the job site, and the conditions under which the work is to be performed have been thoroughly reviewed, and enters into this Contract based upon CONTRACTOR'S investigation of all such matters and is in no way relying upon any opinions or representations of CITY. It is agreed that this Contract represents the entire agreement. It is further agreed that the Contract Documents including the Notice Inviting Bids, Special Instructions to Bidders, if any, Plans, Specifications, and CONTRACTOR's Proposal, are incorporated in this Contract by reference, with the same force and effect as if the same were set forth at length herein, and that CONTRACTOR and its subcontractors, if any, will be and are bound by any and all of said Contract Documents insofar as they relate in any part or in any way, directly or indirectly, to the work covered by this Contract.

*"Project"* as used herein defines the entire scope of the work covered by all the Contract Documents. Anything mentioned in the Specifications and not indicated in the Plans, or indicated in the Plans and not mentioned in the Specifications, shall be of like effect as if indicated and mentioned in both. In case of discrepancy in the Plans or Specifications, the matter shall be immediately submitted to CITY'S Engineer, without whose decision CONTRACTOR shall not adjust said discrepancy save only at CONTRACTOR'S own risk and expense. The decision of the Engineer shall be final.

## **SECTION 5 - AGREEMENT** (Continued)

- 5.2 Materials and Labor.** CONTRACTOR shall furnish, under the conditions expressed in the Plans and Specifications, at CONTRACTOR'S own expense, all labor and materials necessary, except such as are mentioned in the Specifications to be furnished by the CITY, to construct and complete the project, in good workmanlike and substantial order. If CONTRACTOR fails to pay for labor or materials when due, CITY may settle such claims by making demand upon the surety to this Agreement. In the event of the failure or refusal of the surety to satisfy said claims, CITY may settle them directly and deduct the amount of payments from the Contract price and any amounts due to CONTRACTOR. In the event CITY receives a stop notice from any laborer or material supplier alleging non-payment by CONTRACTOR, CITY shall be entitled to deduct all of its costs and expenses incurred relating thereto, including but not limited to administrative and legal fees.
- 5.3 Project.** The PROJECT is described as: **GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD REHABILITATION, CITY PROJECT NO. CP - 1316000, FEDERAL PROJECT NO. CRAL-5328 (088)**
- 5.4 Plans and Specifications.** The work to be done is shown in a set of detailed Plans and Specifications entitled: **GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD REHABILITATION, CITY PROJECT NO. CP - 1316000, FEDERAL PROJECT NO. CRAL-5328 (088)**. Said Plans and Specifications and any revision, amendments or addenda thereto are attached hereto and incorporated herein as part of this Contract and referred to by reference. The work to be done must also be in accordance with the General Provisions, Standard Specifications and Standard Plans of the CITY, which are also incorporated herein and referred to by, reference.
- 5.5 Time of Commencement and Completion.** CONTRACTOR shall have **ten (10) working days from the award of the Contract** to execute the Contract and supply the CITY with all the documents and information required by the Instructions to Bidders and the other Contract Documents, including but not limited to, the necessary bonds and insurance certificates and endorsements. Once the CITY receives the executed contract and all of the other properly drafted and executed documents and information, it may issue a Notice to Proceed to the CONTRACTOR. If CONTRACTOR refuses or fails to provide the required documents and information within the ten (10) city working days, the CITY may then rescind the award of the Contract and then award the Contract to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

**The Contract time shall commence on the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) calendar day following the Notice to Proceed** issued by the City and the CONTRACTOR agrees to submit shop drawings **within fourteen (14) calendar days**. Further, upon receipt of the Notice to Proceed, the CONTRACTOR shall diligently prosecute the work within **75 (Seventy Five) working days** to completion as required per the plans and specifications excluding delays caused or authorized by the CITY as set forth in Sections 5.7, 5.8 and 5.9 hereof.

- 5.6 Time is of the Essence.** Time is of the essence of this Contract.

Contractor shall have **fourteen (14) calendar days from the award of the Contract** to execute the Contract and supply CITY with all of the documents and information required by the Instruction to Bidders and the other Contract Documents, including but not limited to, the necessary bonds and insurance certificates and endorsements. Once the CITY receives the executed Contract and all of the other properly drafted and executed documents and information, it may issue a Notice to Proceed to the CONTRACTOR. If CONTRACTOR refuses or fails to execute the Contract or refuses or fails to provide the required documents and information within the fourteen (14) calendar days, the CITY may then rescind the award

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of the Contract and then award the Contract to the next lowest responsible and responsive bidder.

As required by the Contract Documents, CONTRACTOR shall prepare and obtain approval of all shop drawings, details and samples, and do all other things necessary and incidental to the prosecution of CONTRACTOR'S work in conformance with an approved construction progress schedule. CONTRACTOR shall coordinate the work covered by this Contract with that of all other CONTRACTORS, subcontractors and of the CITY, in a manner that will facilitate the efficient completion of the entire work in accordance with Section 5.5 herein. CITY shall have complete control of the premises on which the work is to be performed and shall have the right to decide the time or order in which the various portions of the work shall be installed or the priority of the work of other subcontractors, and, in general, all matters representing the timely and orderly conduct of the work of CONTRACTOR on the premises.

- 5.7 Excusable Delays.** CONTRACTOR shall be excused for any delay in the prosecution or completion of the Project caused by acts of God; inclement weather; damages caused by fire or other casualty for which CONTRACTOR is not responsible; any act of negligence or default of CITY; failure of CITY to make timely payments to CONTRACTOR; late delivery of materials required by this CONTRACT to be furnished by CITY; combined action of the workers in no way caused by or resulting from default or collusion on the part of CONTRACTOR; a lockout by CITY; or any other delays unforeseen by CONTRACTOR and beyond CONTRACTOR'S reasonable control.

CITY shall extend the time fixed in Section 5.5 herein for completion of the Project by the number of days CONTRACTOR has thus been delayed, provided that CONTRACTOR presents a written request to CITY for such time extension within fifteen (15) days of the commencement of such delay and CITY finds that the delay is justified. CITY'S decision will be conclusive on the parties to this Contract. Failure to file such request within the time allowed shall be deemed a waiver of the claim by CONTRACTOR.

No claims by CONTRACTOR for additional compensation or damages for delays will be allowed unless CONTRACTOR satisfies CITY that such delays were unavoidable and not the result of any action or inaction of CONTRACTOR and that CONTRACTOR took all available measures to mitigate such damages. Extensions of time and extra compensation as a result of incurring undisclosed utilities would be determined in accordance with SPECIAL PROVISIONS and Section 3-3 of the Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction 2020 Edition (GREEN BOOK). The CITY'S decision will be conclusive on all parties to this Contract.

- 5.8 Extra Work.** The Contract price includes compensation for all work performed by CONTRACTOR, unless CONTRACTOR obtains a written change order signed by a designated representative of CITY specifying the exact nature of the extra work and the amount of extra compensation to be paid all as more particularly set forth in Section 5.9 hereof.

CITY shall extend the time fixed in Section 5.5 for completion of the Project by the number of days reasonably required for CONTRACTOR to perform the extra work, as determined by CITY'S Engineer. The decision of the Engineer shall be final.

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**5.9 Changes in Project.**

**5.9.1** CITY may at any time, without notice to any surety, by written order designated or indicated to be a change order, make any change in the work within the general scope of the Contract, including but not limited to changes:

- a. In the Specifications (including drawings and designs);
- b. In the time, method or manner of performance of the work;
- c. In the CITY -furnished facilities, equipment, materials, services or site; or
- d. Directing acceleration in the performance of the work.

If CONTRACTOR believes that the written order issued as part of this Section 5.9.1 has caused an increase in costs or time, the CONTRACTOR shall submit a written request for equitable adjustment to the CITY that includes a detailed cost breakdown and time impact analysis in sufficient detail to allow the CITY to analyze the request. Said notice shall be submitted via certified mail within twenty (20) days of the CONTRACTOR'S receipt of the written order. CONTRACTOR'S failure to submit the written request for equitable adjustment within the required twenty (20) days shall constitute a waiver of any potential change order or claim for said alleged change. The CITY shall review CONTRACTOR'S request and shall provide a written response within thirty (30) days of receipt of the request either approving or denying the request.

**5.9.2** A change may also be any other conflict, difficulty or issue which the CONTRACTOR believes caused any change to the CONTRACTOR'S costs or project schedule, provided CONTRACTOR gives the CITY written notice and a request for equitable adjustment that includes a detailed cost breakdown and time impact analysis in sufficient detail to allow the CITY to analyze the request. The notice shall also state the date the CONTRACTOR became aware of the issue, circumstances and source of the issue and that CONTRACTOR regards the issue as a change order. Said written notice shall be delivered to the CITY via certified mail within twenty (20) days of CONTRACTOR'S first notice of the issue. CONTRACTOR'S failure to submit the notice, which includes the written request for equitable adjustment within the required twenty (20) days shall constitute a waiver of any potential change order or claim for said alleged change. The CITY shall review CONTRACTOR'S request and shall provide a written response within thirty (30) days of receipt of the request either approving or denying the request.

**5.9.3** Except as provided in this Section 5.9, no order, statement or conduct of the CITY or its representatives shall be treated as a change under this Section 5.9 or entitle CONTRACTOR to an equitable adjustment.

**5.9.4** Except for claims based on defective specifications, no claim for any change under paragraph 5.9.1 or 5.9.2 above shall be allowed for any work performed more than 20 days before the CONTRACTOR gives written notice as required in paragraphs 5.9.1 and 5.9.2. In the case of defective specifications for which the CITY is responsible, the equitable adjustment shall include any increased direct cost CONTRACTOR reasonably incurred in attempting to comply with those defective specifications.

**5.9.5** If CONTRACTOR intends to assert a claim for an equitable adjustment under this Section 5.9, it must, within thirty (30) days after receipt of a denial of a request for equitable adjustment under paragraphs 5.9.1 and 5.9.2, submit a written statement to

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the CITY setting forth the general nature and monetary extent of such claim. The CITY may extend the 30-day period. CONTRACTOR'S failure to submit the notice of a claim, within the required thirty (30) days shall constitute a waiver of the claim by the CONTRACTOR.

**5.9.6** No claim by CONTRACTOR for an equitable adjustment shall be allowed if made after final payment under this Agreement.

**5.9.7** CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to make any and all changes, furnish the materials and perform the work that CITY may require without nullifying this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall adhere strictly to the Plans and Specifications unless a change there from is authorized in writing by the CITY. Under no condition shall CONTRACTOR make any changes to the Project, either in additions or deductions, without the written order of the CITY and the CITY shall not pay for any extra charges made by CONTRACTOR that have not been agreed upon in advance in writing by the CITY. CONTRACTOR shall submit immediately to the CITY written copies of its firm's cost or credit proposal for change in the work. Disputed work shall be performed as ordered in writing by the CITY and the proper cost or credit breakdowns therefore shall be submitted without delay by CONTRACTOR to CITY.

**5.10 Liquidated Damages for Delay.** The parties agree that if the total work called for under this Contract, in all parts and requirements, is not completed within the time specified in Section 5.5 herein, plus the allowance made for delays or extensions authorized under Sections 5.7, 5.8 and 5.9 herein, the CITY will sustain damage which would be extremely difficult and impractical to ascertain. The parties therefore agree that CONTRACTOR will pay to CITY the sum of **Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) per day** for each and every calendar day during which completion of the Project is so delayed. CONTRACTOR agrees to pay such liquidated damages and further agrees that CITY may offset the amount of liquidated damages from any monies due or that may become due CONTRACTOR under the Contract.

**5.11 Contract Price and Method of Payment.** CITY agrees to pay and the CONTRACTOR agrees to accept as full consideration for the faithful performance of this Contract, subject to any subsequent additions or deductions as provided in approved change orders, the sum of **Two Million Forty Nine Thousand One Hundred and Seventy Five Dollars and No Cents (\$2,049,175.00)** as itemized in the bid proposal.

5Progress payments shall be made to the CONTRACTOR on a monthly basis for each successive month as the work progresses. The CONTRACTOR shall be paid such sum as will bring the total payments received since the commencement of the work up to ninety-five percent (95%) of the value of the work completed, less all previous payments, provided that the CONTRACTOR submits the request for payment prior to the end of the day required to meet the payment schedule. The CITY will retain five percent (5%) of the amount of each such progress estimate and material cost until 30 days after the recordation of the Notice of Completion.

Payments shall be made on demands drawn in the manner required by law, accompanied by a certificate signed by the CITY'S Engineer, stating that the work for which payment is demanded has been performed in accordance with the terms of the Contract. Partial payments of the Contract price shall not be considered as an acceptance of any part of the work.

**5.12 Substitution of Securities in Lieu of Retention of Funds.** Pursuant to California Public Works Contract Code § 22300, the CONTRACTOR will be entitled to post approved securities

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with the CITY or an approved financial institution in order to have the CITY release funds retained by the CITY to ensure performance of the Contract. CONTRACTOR shall be required to execute an addendum to this Contract together with escrow instructions and any other documents in order to effect this substitution.

**5.13 Completion.** Within 10 days after the contract completion date of the Project, CONTRACTOR shall file with the CITY'S Engineer its affidavit stating that all workers and persons employed, all firms supplying materials, and all subcontractors upon the Project have been paid in full, and that there are no claims outstanding against the Project for either labor or material, except those certain items, if any, to be set forth in an affidavit covering disputed claims, or items in connection with Stop Notices which have been filed under the provisions of the statutes of the State of California. CITY may require affidavits or certificates of payment and/or releases from any subcontractor, laborer or material supplier.

### **5.14 CONTRACTOR 's Employees Compensation**

**5.14.1 General Prevailing Rate.** CITY has ascertained CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable requirements of Division 2, Part 7, Chapter 1 of the California Labor Code and all applicable federal requirements respecting the payment of prevailing wages. If there is a difference between the minimum wage rates predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and the prevailing wage rates determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) for similar classifications of labor, the CONTRACTOR and its Subcontractors shall pay not less than the higher wage rate. The DIR will not accept lower State wage rates not specifically included in the Federal minimum wage determinations. This includes "helper" (or other classifications based on hours of experience) or any other classification not appearing in the Federal Wage determinations. Where Federal wage determinations do not contain the State wage rate determination otherwise available for use by the CONTRACTOR and Subcontractors, the CONTRACTOR and its Subcontractors shall pay not less than the Federal Minimum wage rate which most closely approximates the duties of the employees in question."

**5.14.2 Forfeiture for Violation.** CONTRACTOR shall, as a penalty to the CITY, forfeit one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for each calendar day or portion thereof for each worker paid (either by the CONTRACTOR or any subcontractor under it) less than the prevailing rate of per diem wages as set by the Director of Industrial Relations, in accordance with Sections 1770-1780 of the California Labor Code for the work provided for in this Contract, all in accordance with Section 1775 of the Labor Code of the State of California.

**5.14.3 Apprentices.** Section 1777.5, 1777.6 and 1777.7 of the Labor Code of the State of California, regarding the employment of apprentices is applicable to this Contract and the CONTRACTOR shall comply therewith; provided, however, that this requirement shall not apply if and/or to the extent that the Contract of the general CONTRACTOR, or the contracts of specialty contractors not bidding for work through a general or prime contractor involve less than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00).

**5.14.4 Workday.** In the performance of this Contract, not more than eight (8) hours shall constitute a day's work, and CONTRACTOR shall not require more than eight (8) hours of labor in a day from any person employed by him hereunder except as provided in paragraph (5.14.2) above. CONTRACTOR shall conform to Article 3,

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Chapter 1, Part 7 (Sections 1810 et seq.) of the Labor Code of the State of California and shall forfeit to the CITY as a penalty, the sum of twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for each worker employed in the execution of this Contract by CONTRACTOR or any subcontractor for each calendar day during which any worker is required or permitted to labor more than eight (8) hours in any one calendar day and forty (40) hours in any one week in violation of said Article. CONTRACTOR shall keep an accurate record showing the name and actual hours worked each calendar day and each calendar week by each worker employed by CONTRACTOR in connection with the Project.

**5.14.5 Record of Wages: Inspection.** CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain accurate payroll records showing the name, address, social security number, work classification, straight-time and overtime hours worked each day and week, and the actual per diem wages paid to each journeyman, apprentice, worker or other employee employed by it in connection with the Project and agrees to require that each of its subcontractors does the same. The applicable CONTRACTOR or subcontractor or its agent having authority over such matters shall certify all payroll records as accurate. CONTRACTOR further agrees that its payroll records and those of its subcontractors shall be available to the employee or employee's representative, the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, and the Division of Apprenticeship Standards and shall comply with all of the provisions of Labor Code Section 1776, in general. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all of the provisions of Labor Code Section 1776, and shall submit payroll records to the Labor Commissioner pursuant to Labor Code section 1771.4(a)(3). The CONTRACTOR shall submit copies of certified payroll reports **and cancelled checks** for labors, every two weeks to the Engineer. Certified payroll and cancelled checks submittals are due one month after start of construction and every two weeks thereafter. *If the certified payroll and cancelled checks are not submitted, the CONTRACTOR will be notified that compliance is required within five (5) working days or contract work must cease. The CITY will not be responsible for any delay or acceleration charges or any incurred costs or damages as a result of the work stoppage due to CONTRACTOR's failure to comply.* Work shall be ceased in an orderly, safe fashion with all vehicle access restored. Should this not occur, CITY will correct the deficiencies and deduct the cost from funds due to the CONTRACTOR. In addition, no progress payment shall be made until the copies of certified payroll reports and cancelled checks are submitted.

**5.14.6 Contractor Registration.** CONTRACTOR and its subcontractors must be registered with the California Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5. This Agreement shall not be effective until CONTRACTOR provides proof of registration to the CITY.

**5.14.7 Posting of Job Site Notices.** CONTRACTOR shall comply with the job site notices posting requirements established by the Labor Commissioner pursuant to Title 8, California Code of Regulations Section 16461(e) or other regulation promulgated pursuant to Labor Code Section 1771.4(a) (2).

**5.14.8 Notice of DIR Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement.** Pursuant to Labor Code Section 1771.4, this Project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the California Department of Industrial Relations.

**5.15 Surety Bonds.** CONTRACTOR shall, prior to entering into performance of this Agreement, furnish a performance bond, on the CITY's bond form in the amount of one hundred percent



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(100%) of the Contract price, to guarantee the faithful performance of the work, and a payment bond, on the CITY's form in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price, to guarantee payment of all claims for labor and materials furnished. Bonds submitted on any form other than the CITY's form will be rejected. The required bonds shall be from a surety licensed to do business in the State of California and with a current A.M. Best's rating of A-, VII. This Contract shall not become effective until such bonds are supplied and approved by the CITY."

### **5.16 Insurance.**

**5.16.1** COMMENCEMENT OF WORK. CONTRACTOR shall not commence work under this Agreement until all certificates and endorsements have been received and approved by the CITY. All insurance required by this Agreement shall contain a statement of obligation on the part of the carrier to notify the city of any material change, cancellation, or termination at least **thirty (30) days** in advance. A **waiver of subrogation** shall be provided by the insurer for **each policy** waiving subrogation against CITY, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers for this contract and all public agencies from whom permits will be obtained and their directors, officers, agents, and employees, as determined by the CITY, Claims **made** and **modified occurrence** policies **shall not be accepted** for any policy, unless otherwise indicated. All Subcontractors shall be required to provide and maintain the same insurances as required of CONTRACTOR under this contract. CONTRACTOR shall be required to collect and maintain all required insurances from all Subcontractors.

**5.16.2** CONTRACTOR is aware of the provisions of Section 3700 of the Labor Code, which requires every employer to be insured against liability for Workers' Compensation or undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of that Code, and will comply with such provisions before commencing the performance of the work of this Contract.

**5.16.3** CONTRACTOR and all Subcontractors shall carry workers' compensation insurance for the protection of its employees during the progress of the work. The insurer shall waive its rights of subrogation against the CITY, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers for this contract and all public agencies from whom permits will be obtained and their directors, officers, agents, and employees, as determined by the CITY, and shall issue a waiver of subrogation.

**5.16.4** Before CONTRACTOR performs any work at, or prepares or delivers materials to, the site of construction, CONTRACTOR shall furnish:

Additional Insured Endorsements, **ongoing and products-completed operations**, for the **Commercial General Liability policy**, including mobile equipment and not excluding XCU and on the **Contractors' Pollution Liability policy**, if available. Endorsements shall designate CITY, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers for this contract and all public agencies from whom permits will be obtained and their directors, officers, agents, and employees, as determined by the CITY, as additional insureds for liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide to CITY proof of insurance and endorsement forms that conform to CITY's requirements, as approved by the CITY (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10, CG 11 85 or **both** CG 20 10, CG 20 26, CG 20 33, or CG 20 28; **and** CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used). Insurance companies must be acceptable to CITY

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and have a minimum A.M. Best Guide rating of A-, class VII or better, as approved by CITY.

**Contractor's Pollution Legal Liability:** Insurance companies must be acceptable to City and have a Best's Guide Rating of A- Class VII or better, as approved by Authority. If policy is written on a claims-made form:

- 1) The retroactive date must be shown, and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
- 2) Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least three (3) years after completion of the contract work.
- 3) If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claims-made policy with a retroactive date prior to the contract effective date, the CONTRACTOR must purchase an extended period coverage for a minimum of three (3) years after completion of the contract work.
- 4) A copy of the claims reporting requirements must be submitted to the CITY for review.

**Automobile Liability** policy and shall designate CITY, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers for this contract and all public agencies from whom permits will be obtained and their directors, officers, agents, and employees, as determined by the CITY, as additional insured's for automobiles owned, leased, hired, or borrowed by the CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide to CITY proof of insurance and endorsement forms that conform to CITY's requirements, as approved by the CITY. Insurance companies must be acceptable to CITY and have a minimum A.M. Best Guide rating of A-, class VII or better, as approved by CITY).

A Loss Payee Endorsement for the **Course of Construction** policy designating the City of Garden Grove as Loss Payee. Insurance companies must be acceptable to CITY and have a minimum A.M. Best Guide rating of A-, class VII or better, as approved by CITY.

In the event any of CONTRACTOR'S underlying policies do not meet policy limits as required here in, CONTRACTOR shall provide the schedule of underlying polices for a **follows form excess liability** policy, state that the excess policy follows form on the insurance certificate, and an additional insured endorsement for the excess liability policy designating CITY, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers for this contract and all public agencies from whom permits will be obtained and their directors, officers, agents, and employees, as determined by the CITY, as additional insureds. Insurance companies must be acceptable to CITY and have a minimum A.M. Best Guide rating of A-, class VII or better, as approved by CITY.

For any claims related to this Project, the CONTRACTOR's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance at least as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13 as respects CITY, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers for this contract and all public agencies from whom permits will be obtained and their directors, officers, agents, and employees, as determined by the CITY. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the CITY, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and

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volunteers for this contract and all public agencies from whom permits will be obtained and their directors, officers, agents, and employees, as determined by the CITY, shall be excess of the CONTRACTOR's insurance and not contribute with it.

**5.16.5** Before CONTRACTOR performs any work at, or prepares or delivers materials to, the site of construction, CONTRACTOR shall furnish:

CONTRACTOR shall maintain all of the foregoing insurance coverage in force until the work under this Contract is fully completed. The requirement for carrying the foregoing insurance shall not derogate from the provisions for indemnification of CITY by CONTRACTOR under Section 5.17 of this Contract. Notwithstanding nor diminishing the obligations of CONTRACTOR with respect to the foregoing, CONTRACTOR shall subscribe for and maintain in full force and effect during the life of this Contract, the following insurance in amounts not less than the amounts specified and issued by a company admitted and licensed in California and having a Best's Guide Rating of A-Class VII or better:

Workers' Compensation	As required by the State of California.
Employer's Liability	Not less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.
Commercial General Liability (including on-going operations, products - completed operations, and mobile equipment, and not excluding XCU)	Not less than \$5,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage.
Contractor's Pollution Legal Liability	Not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence
Automobile Liability, for all automobiles including non-owned and hired vehicles	Not less than \$2,000,000 combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage.
Follows Form Excess Liability	Required for any underlying policy that does not meet the underlying policy limits required herein.

If contractor maintains higher insurance limits than the minimums shown above, CONTRACTOR shall provide coverage for the higher limits otherwise maintained by the CONTRACTOR.

CITY or its representatives shall at all times have the right to inspect and receive a certified copy of all said policies of insurance, including certificates and endorsements at CONTRACTORS sole cost and expense. CONTRACTOR shall pay the premiums on the insurance hereinabove required.

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- 5.17 **Risk and Indemnification.** All work covered by this Contract done at the site of construction or in preparing or delivering materials to the site shall be at the risk of CONTRACTOR alone. CONTRACTOR agrees to save, indemnify and keep the CITY, its Officers, Agents, Employees, Engineers, and Consultants for this Contract, and all public agencies from whom permits will be obtained and their directors, Officers, Agents and Employees harmless against any and all liability, claims, judgments, costs and demands, including demands arising from injuries or death of persons (CONTRACTOR'S employees included) and damage to property, arising directly or indirectly out of the obligations herein undertaken or out of the operations conducted by CONTRACTOR, save and except claims or litigation arising through the sole negligence or sole willful misconduct of CITY and will make good to reimburse CITY for any expenditures, including reasonable attorneys' fees CITY may incur by reason of such matters, and if requested by CITY, will defend any such suits at the sole cost and expense of CONTRACTOR.

### **5.18 Termination.**

**5.18.1** This Contract may be terminated in whole or in part in writing by the CITY for its convenience, provided that the CONTRACTOR is given (1) not less than ten (10) calendar days written notice (delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested) of intent to terminate, and (2) an opportunity for consultation with the terminating party prior to termination.

**5.18.2** If termination for default or convenience is effected by the CITY, an equitable adjustment in the price provided for in this Contract shall be made, but (1) no amount shall be allowed for anticipated profit on unperformed services or other work, and (2) any payment due to the CONTRACTOR at the time of termination may be adjusted to cover any additional costs to the CITY because of the CONTRACTOR'S default.

**5.18.3** Upon receipt of a termination action under paragraph (5.18.1) or (5.18.2) above, the CONTRACTOR shall (1) promptly discontinue all affected work (unless the notice directs otherwise), and (2) deliver or otherwise make available to the CITY all data, drawings, specifications, reports, estimates, summaries and such other information and materials as may have been accumulated by the CONTRACTOR in performing this Contract whether completed or in process.

**5.18.4** Upon termination under paragraphs (5.18.1) and (5.18.2) above, the CITY may take over the work and may award another party an agreement to complete the work under this Contract.

- 5.19 Warranty.** The CONTRACTOR agrees to perform all work under this Contract in accordance with the CITY's designs, drawings and specifications.

The CONTRACTOR guarantees for a period of one (1) year from the date of the notice of completion of the work that the completed work is free from all defects due to faulty materials, equipment or workmanship and that he shall promptly make whatever adjustments or corrections which may be necessary to cure any defects, including repairs or any damage to other parts of the system resulting from such defects. The CITY shall promptly give notice to the CONTRACTOR of observed defects. In the event that the CONTRACTOR fails to make adjustments, repairs, corrections or other work made necessary by such defects, the CITY may do so and charge the CONTRACTOR the cost incurred. The performance bond shall remain in full force and effect through the guarantee period.

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The CONTRACTOR'S obligations under this clause are in addition to the CONTRACTOR'S other express or implied assurances of this Contract or state law and in no way diminish any other rights that the CITY may have against the CONTRACTOR for faulty materials, equipment or work.

**5.20 Attorneys' Fees.** If any action at law or in equity is necessary to enforce or interpret the terms of this Contract, each shall bear its own attorneys' fees, costs and necessary disbursements. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any action is brought against the CONTRACTOR or any subcontractor to enforce a Stop Notice or Notice to Withhold, which named the CITY as a party to said action, the CITY shall be entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees, costs and necessary disbursements arising out of the defense of such action by the CITY. The CITY shall be entitled to deduct its costs for any Stop Notice filed, whether court action is involved or not.

**5.21 Notices.** Any notice required or permitted under this Contract may be given by ordinary mail at the address set forth below. Any party whose address changes shall notify the other party in writing.

TO CITY:

*City of Garden Grove.  
Public Works Department  
Attention: Navin Maru  
11222 Acacia Parkway  
Garden Grove, CA 92842  
(714) 741-5180  
(714) 741-5578 Fax*

TO CONTRACTOR:

*R J Noble Company  
Steven L. Mendoza, Secretary  
15505 E. Lincoln Avenue  
Orange, CA 92865  
(714) 637-1550  
(714) 637-6321 Fax*

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**REQUIRED CONTRACT  
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## ATTACHMENTS

A. Employment and Materials Preference for Appalachian Development Highway System or Appalachian Local Access Road Contracts (included in Appalachian contracts only)

**I. GENERAL**

1. Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated in each construction contract funded under title 23, United States Code, as required in 23 CFR 633.102(b) (excluding emergency contracts solely intended for debris removal). The contractor (or subcontractor) must insert this form in each subcontract and further require its inclusion in all lower tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services). 23 CFR633.102(e).

The applicable requirements of Form FHWA-1273 are incorporated by reference for work done under any purchase order, rental agreement or agreement for other services. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider. 23 CFR 633.102(e).

Form FHWA-1273 must be included in all Federal-aid design-build contracts, in all subcontracts and in lower tier subcontracts (excluding subcontracts for design services, purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services) in accordance with 23 CFR 633.102. The design-builder shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider.

Contracting agencies may reference Form FHWA-1273 in solicitation-for-bids or request-for-proposals documents, however, the Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated (not referenced) in all contracts, subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services related to a construction contract). 23 CFR 633.102(b).

2. Subject to the applicability criteria noted in the following sections, these contract provisions shall apply to all work performed on the contract by the contractor's own organization and with the assistance of workers under the contractor's immediate superintendence and to all work performed on the contract by piecework, station work, or by subcontract. 23 CFR 633.102(d).

3. A breach of any of the stipulations contained in these Required Contract Provisions may be sufficient grounds for withholding of progress payments, withholding of final payment, termination of the contract, suspension / debarment or any other action determined to be appropriate by the contracting agency and FHWA.

4. Selection of Labor: During the performance of this contract, the contractor shall not use convict labor for any purpose within the limits of a construction project on a Federal-aid highway unless it is labor performed by convicts who are on parole, supervised release, or probation. 23 U.S.C. 114(b). The term Federal-aid highway does not include roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors. 23 U.S.C. 101(a).

**II. NONDISCRIMINATION** (23 CFR 230.107(a); 23 CFR Part 230, Subpart A, Appendix A; EO 11246)

The provisions of this section related to 23 CFR Part 230, Subpart A, Appendix A are applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of \$10,000 or more. The provisions of 23 CFR Part 230 are not applicable to material supply, engineering, or architectural service contracts.

In addition, the contractor and all subcontractors must comply with the following policies: Executive Order 11246, 41 CFR Part 60, 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627, 23 U.S.C. 140, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26, and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The contractor and all subcontractors must comply with: the requirements of the Equal Opportunity Clause in 41 CFR 60-1.4(b) and, for all construction contracts exceeding \$10,000, the Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications in 41 CFR 60-4.3.

Note: The U.S. Department of Labor has exclusive authority to determine compliance with Executive Order 11246 and the policies of the Secretary of Labor including 41 CFR Part 60, and 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627. The contracting agency and the FHWA have the authority and the responsibility to ensure compliance with 23 U.S.C. 140, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26, and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The following provision is adopted from 23 CFR Part 230, Subpart A, Appendix A, with appropriate revisions to conform to the U.S. Department of Labor (US DOL) and FHWA requirements.

**1. Equal Employment Opportunity:** Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) requirements not to discriminate and to take affirmative action to assure equal opportunity as set forth under laws, executive orders, rules, regulations (see 28 CFR Part 35, 29 CFR Part 1630, 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627, 41 CFR Part 60 and 49 CFR Part 27) and orders of the Secretary of Labor as modified by the provisions prescribed herein, and imposed pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 140, shall constitute the EEO and specific affirmative action standards for the contractor's project activities under this contract. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) set forth under 28 CFR Part 35 and 29 CFR Part 1630 are incorporated by reference in this contract. In the execution of this contract, the contractor agrees to comply with the following minimum specific requirement activities of EEO:

a. The contractor will work with the contracting agency and the Federal Government to ensure that it has made every good faith effort to provide equal opportunity with respect to all of its terms and conditions of employment and in their review of activities under the contract. 23 CFR 230.409 (g)(4) & (5).

b. The contractor will accept as its operating policy the following statement:

"It is the policy of this Company to assure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, color, national origin, age or disability. Such action shall include: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship, pre-apprenticeship, and/or on-the-job training."

**2. EEO Officer:** The contractor will designate and make known to the contracting officers an EEO Officer who will have the responsibility for and must be capable of effectively administering and promoting an active EEO program and who must be assigned adequate authority and responsibility to do so.

**3. Dissemination of Policy:** All members of the contractor's staff who are authorized to hire, supervise, promote, and discharge employees, or who recommend such action or are substantially involved in such action, will be made fully cognizant of and will implement the contractor's EEO policy and contractual responsibilities to provide EEO in each grade and classification of employment. To ensure that the above agreement will be met, the following actions will be taken as a minimum:

a. Periodic meetings of supervisory and personnel office employees will be conducted before the start of work and then not less often than once every six months, at which time the contractor's EEO policy and its implementation will be reviewed and explained. The meetings will be conducted by the EEO Officer or other knowledgeable company official.

b. All new supervisory or personnel office employees will be given a thorough indoctrination by the EEO Officer, covering all major aspects of the contractor's EEO obligations within thirty days following their reporting for duty with the contractor.

c. All personnel who are engaged in direct recruitment for the project will be instructed by the EEO Officer in the contractor's procedures for locating and hiring minorities and women.

d. Notices and posters setting forth the contractor's EEO policy will be placed in areas readily accessible to employees, applicants for employment and potential employees.

e. The contractor's EEO policy and the procedures to implement such policy will be brought to the attention of employees by means of meetings, employee handbooks, or other appropriate means.

**4. Recruitment:** When advertising for employees, the contractor will include in all advertisements for employees the notation: "An Equal Opportunity Employer." All such advertisements will be placed in publications having a large circulation among minorities and women in the area from which the project work force would normally be derived.

a. The contractor will, unless precluded by a valid bargaining agreement, conduct systematic and direct recruitment through public and private employee referral sources likely to yield qualified minorities and women. To meet this requirement, the contractor will identify sources of potential minority group employees and establish with such identified sources procedures whereby minority and women applicants may be referred to the contractor for employment consideration.

b. In the event the contractor has a valid bargaining agreement providing for exclusive hiring hall referrals, the contractor is expected to observe the provisions of that agreement to the extent that the system meets the contractor's compliance with EEO contract provisions. Where implementation of such an agreement has the effect of discriminating against minorities or women, or obligates the contractor to do the same, such implementation violates Federal nondiscrimination provisions.

c. The contractor will encourage its present employees to refer minorities and women as applicants for employment. Information and procedures with regard to referring such applicants will be discussed with employees.

**5. Personnel Actions:** Wages, working conditions, and employee benefits shall be established and administered, and personnel actions of every type, including hiring, upgrading, promotion, transfer, demotion, layoff, and termination, shall be taken without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age or disability. The following procedures shall be followed:

a. The contractor will conduct periodic inspections of project sites to ensure that working conditions and employee facilities do not indicate discriminatory treatment of project site personnel.

b. The contractor will periodically evaluate the spread of wages paid within each classification to determine any evidence of discriminatory wage practices.

c. The contractor will periodically review selected personnel actions in depth to determine whether there is evidence of discrimination. Where evidence is found, the contractor will promptly take corrective action. If the review indicates that the discrimination may extend beyond the actions reviewed, such corrective action shall include all affected persons.

d. The contractor will promptly investigate all complaints of alleged discrimination made to the contractor in connection with its obligations under this contract, will attempt to resolve such complaints, and will take appropriate corrective action within a reasonable time. If the investigation indicates that the discrimination may affect persons other than the complainant, such corrective action shall include such other persons. Upon completion of each investigation, the contractor will inform every complainant of all of their avenues of appeal.



**6. Training and Promotion:**

a. The contractor will assist in locating, qualifying, and increasing the skills of minorities and women who are applicants for employment or current employees. Such efforts should be aimed at developing full journey level status employees in the type of trade or job classification involved.

b. Consistent with the contractor's work force requirements and as permissible under Federal and State regulations, the contractor shall make full use of training programs (i.e., apprenticeship and on-the-job training programs for the geographical area of contract performance). In the event a special provision for training is provided under this contract, this subparagraph will be superseded as indicated in the special provision. The contracting agency may reserve training positions for persons who receive welfare assistance in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 140(a).

c. The contractor will advise employees and applicants for employment of available training programs and entrance requirements for each.

d. The contractor will periodically review the training and promotion potential of employees who are minorities and women and will encourage eligible employees to apply for such training and promotion.

**7. Unions:** If the contractor relies in whole or in part upon unions as a source of employees, the contractor will use good faith efforts to obtain the cooperation of such unions to increase opportunities for minorities and women. 23 CFR 230.409. Actions by the contractor, either directly or through a contractor's association acting as agent, will include the procedures set forth below:

a. The contractor will use good faith efforts to develop, in cooperation with the unions, joint training programs aimed toward qualifying more minorities and women for membership in the unions and increasing the skills of minorities and women so that they may qualify for higher paying employment.

b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to incorporate an EEO clause into each union agreement to the end that such union will be contractually bound to refer applicants without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability.

c. The contractor is to obtain information as to the referral practices and policies of the labor union except that to the extent such information is within the exclusive possession of the labor union and such labor union refuses to furnish such information to the contractor, the contractor shall so certify to the contracting agency and shall set forth what efforts have been made to obtain such information.

d. In the event the union is unable to provide the contractor with a reasonable flow of referrals within the time limit set forth in the collective bargaining agreement, the contractor will, through independent recruitment efforts, fill the employment vacancies without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability; making full efforts to obtain qualified and/or qualifiable minorities and women. The failure of a union to provide sufficient referrals (even though it is obligated to provide exclusive referrals under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement) does not relieve the contractor from the requirements of this paragraph. In the event the union referral practice prevents the contractor from meeting the obligations pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and these special provisions, such contractor shall immediately notify the contracting agency.

**8. Reasonable Accommodation for Applicants / Employees with Disabilities:** The contractor must be familiar with the requirements for and comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and all rules and regulations established thereunder. Employers must provide reasonable accommodation in all employment activities unless to do so would cause an undue hardship.

**9. Selection of Subcontractors, Procurement of Materials and Leasing of Equipment:** The contractor shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure nondiscrimination in the administration of this contract.

a. The contractor shall notify all potential subcontractors, suppliers, and lessors of their EEO obligations under this contract.

b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to ensure subcontractor compliance with their EEO obligations.

**10. Assurance Required:**

a. The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 and the State DOT's FHWA-approved Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program are incorporated by reference.

b. The contractor, subrecipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate, which may include, but is not limited to:

- (1) Withholding monthly progress payments;
- (2) Assessing sanctions;
- (3) Liquidated damages; and/or
- (4) Disqualifying the contractor from future bidding as non-responsible.

c. The Title VI and nondiscrimination provisions of U.S. DOT Order 1050.2A at Appendixes A and E are incorporated by reference. 49 CFR Part 21.

**11. Records and Reports:** The contractor shall keep such records as necessary to document compliance with the EEO requirements. Such records shall be retained for a period of three years following the date of the final payment to the contractor for all contract work and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of the contracting agency and the FHWA.

a. The records kept by the contractor shall document the following:

- (1) The number and work hours of minority and non-minority group members and women employed in each work classification on the project;
- (2) The progress and efforts being made in cooperation with unions, when applicable, to increase employment opportunities for minorities and women; and
- (3) The progress and efforts being made in locating, hiring, training, qualifying, and upgrading minorities and women.

b. The contractors and subcontractors will submit an annual report to the contracting agency each July for the duration of the project indicating the number of minority, women, and non-minority group employees currently engaged in each work classification required by the contract work. This information is to be reported on Form FHWA-1391. The staffing data should represent the project work force on board in all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July. If on-the-job training is being required by special provision, the contractor will be required to collect and report training data. The employment data should reflect the work force on board during all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July.

### III. NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of more than \$10,000. 41 CFR 60-1.5.

As prescribed by 41 CFR 60-1.8, the contractor must ensure that facilities provided for employees are provided in such a manner that segregation on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin cannot result. The contractor may neither require such segregated use by written or oral policies nor tolerate such use by employee custom. The contractor's obligation extends further to ensure that its employees are not assigned to perform their services at any location under the contractor's control where the facilities are segregated. The term "facilities" includes waiting rooms, work areas, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, restrooms, washrooms, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing provided for employees. The contractor shall provide separate or single-user restrooms and necessary dressing or sleeping areas to assure privacy between sexes.

### IV. DAVIS-BACON AND RELATED ACT PROVISIONS

This section is applicable to all Federal-aid construction projects exceeding \$2,000 and to all related subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (regardless of subcontract size), in accordance with 29 CFR 5.5. The requirements apply to all projects located within the right-of-way of a roadway that is functionally classified as Federal-aid highway. 23 U.S.C. 113. This excludes roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors, which are exempt. 23 U.S.C. 101. Where applicable law requires that projects be treated as a project on a Federal-aid highway, the provisions of this subpart will apply regardless of the location of the project. Examples include: Surface Transportation Block Grant Program projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 133 [excluding recreational trails projects], the Nationally Significant Freight and Highway Projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 117, and National Highway Freight Program projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 167.

The following provisions are from the U.S. Department of Labor regulations in 29 CFR 5.5 "Contract provisions and related matters" with minor revisions to conform to the FHWA-1273 format and FHWA program requirements.

#### 1. Minimum wages (29 CFR 5.5)

a. All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work, will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR part 3)), the full amount of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the contractor and such laborers and mechanics.

Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of paragraph 1.d. of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(4). Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein: Provided, That the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classification and wage rates conformed under paragraph 1.b. of this section) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) shall be posted at all times by the contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.

- b. (1) The contracting officer shall require that any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. The contracting officer shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefore only when the following criteria have been met:
- (i) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and
  - (ii) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and
  - (iii) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.
- (2) If the contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the contracting officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by the contracting officer to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(3) In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the contracting officer shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting officer, to the Administrator for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(4) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraphs 1.b.(2) or 1.b.(3) of this section, shall be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

c. Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the contractor shall either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or shall pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof.

d. If the contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the contractor may consider as part of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program. Provided, That the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the contractor, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program.

## 2. Withholding (29 CFR 5.5)

The contracting agency shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor under this contract, or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same prime contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, trainees, and helpers, employed by the contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee, or helper, employed or working on the site of the work, all or part of the wages required by the contract, the contracting agency may, after written notice to the contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased.

## 3. Payrolls and basic records (29 CFR 5.5)

a. Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the contractor during the course of the work and preserved for a period of three years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work. Such records shall contain the name, address, and social security number of each such worker, his or her correct classification, hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act), daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made and actual wages paid. Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(iv) that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act, the contractor shall maintain records which show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing such benefits. Contractors employing apprentices or trainees under approved programs shall maintain written evidence of the registration of apprenticeship programs and certification of trainee programs, the registration of the apprentices and trainees, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.

b. (1) The contractor shall submit weekly for each week in which any contract work is performed a copy of all payrolls to the contracting agency. The payrolls submitted shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i), except that full social security numbers and home addresses shall not be included on weekly transmittals. Instead the payrolls shall only need to include an individually identifying number for each employee (e.g., the last four digits of the employee's social security number). The required weekly payroll information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose from the Wage and Hour Division Web site. The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors. Contractors and subcontractors shall maintain the full social security number and current address of each covered worker, and shall provide them upon request to the contracting agency for transmission to the State DOT, the FHWA or the Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor for purposes of an investigation or audit of compliance with prevailing wage requirements. It is not a violation of this section for a prime contractor to require a subcontractor to provide addresses and social security numbers to the prime contractor for its own records, without weekly submission to the contracting agency.

(2) Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the contractor or subcontractor or his or her agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons employed under the contract and shall certify the following:

(i) That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(ii), the appropriate information is being maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i), and that such information is correct and complete;

(ii) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper, apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in 29 CFR part 3;

(iii) That each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification of work performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.

(3) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by paragraph 3.b.(2) of this section.

(4) The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 31 U.S.C. 231.

c. The contractor or subcontractor shall make the records required under paragraph 3.a. of this section available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the contracting agency, the State DOT, the FHWA, or the Department of Labor, and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, the FHWA may, after written notice to the contractor, the contracting agency or the State DOT, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to 29 CFR 5.12.

#### 4. Apprentices and trainees (29 CFR 5.5)

##### a. Apprentices (programs of the USDOL).

Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they performed when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, or if a person is employed in his or her first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice.

The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeymen on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated above, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. Where a contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than that in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyman's hourly rate) specified in the contractor's or subcontractor's registered program shall be observed.

Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeymen hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination.

In the event the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

##### b. Trainees (programs of the USDOL).

Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration.

The ratio of trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration.

Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate on the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed.

In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a training program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

c. Equal employment opportunity. The utilization of apprentices, trainees and journeymen under this part shall be in conformity with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, and 29 CFR part 30.

## d. Apprentices and Trainees (programs of the U.S. DOT).

Apprentices and trainees working under apprenticeship and skill training programs which have been certified by the Secretary of Transportation as promoting EEO in connection with Federal-aid highway construction programs are not subject to the requirements of paragraph 4 of this Section IV. 23 CFR 230.111(e)(2). The straight time hourly wage rates for apprentices and trainees under such programs will be established by the particular programs. The ratio of apprentices and trainees to journeymen shall not be greater than permitted by the terms of the particular program.

**5. Compliance with Copeland Act requirements.** The contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR part 3, which are incorporated by reference in this contract as provided in 29 CFR 5.5.

**6. Subcontracts.** The contractor or subcontractor shall insert Form FHWA-1273 in any subcontracts and also require the subcontractors to include Form FHWA-1273 in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5.

**7. Contract termination: debarment.** A breach of the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5 may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR 5.12.

**8. Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act requirements.** All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract as provided in 29 CFR 5.5.

**9. Disputes concerning labor standards.** As provided in 29 CFR 5.5, disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of this contract shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR parts 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the contracting agency, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

**10. Certification of eligibility** (29 CFR 5.5)

a. By entering into this contract, the contractor certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in the contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

b. No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

c. The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 1001.

**V. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT**

Pursuant to 29 CFR 5.5(b), the following clauses apply to any Federal-aid construction contract in an amount in excess of \$100,000 and subject to the overtime provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. These clauses shall be inserted in addition to the clauses required by 29 CFR 5.5(a) or 29 CFR 4.6. As used in this paragraph, the terms laborers and mechanics include watchmen and guards.

**1. Overtime requirements.** No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek. 29 CFR 5.5.

**2. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages.** In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph 1 of this section, the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph 1 of this section, in the sum currently provided in 29 CFR 5.5(b)(2)\* for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph 1 of this section. 29 CFR 5.5.

\* \$27 as of January 23, 2019 (See 84 FR 213-01, 218) as may be adjusted annually by the Department of Labor; pursuant to the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act of 1990).

**3. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages.** The FHWA or the contracting agency shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph 2 of this section. 29 CFR 5.5.

**4. Subcontracts.** The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraphs 1 through 4 of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs 1 through 4 of this section. 29 CFR 5.5.

**VI. SUBLETTING OR ASSIGNING THE CONTRACT**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts on the National Highway System pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116.

1. The contractor shall perform with its own organization contract work amounting to not less than 30 percent (or a greater percentage if specified elsewhere in the contract) of the total original contract price, excluding any specialty items designated by the contracting agency. Specialty items may be performed by subcontract and the amount of any such specialty items performed may be deducted from the total original contract price before computing the amount of work required to be performed by the contractor's own organization (23 CFR 635.116).

a. The term "perform work with its own organization" in paragraph 1 of Section VI refers to workers employed or leased by the prime contractor, and equipment owned or rented by the prime contractor, with or without operators. Such term does not include employees or equipment of a subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor, agents of the prime contractor, or any other assignees. The term may include payments for the costs of hiring leased employees from an employee leasing firm meeting all relevant Federal and State regulatory requirements. Leased employees may only be included in this term if the prime contractor meets all of the following conditions: (based on longstanding interpretation)

(1) the prime contractor maintains control over the supervision of the day-to-day activities of the leased employees;

(2) the prime contractor remains responsible for the quality of the work of the leased employees;

(3) the prime contractor retains all power to accept or exclude individual employees from work on the project; and

(4) the prime contractor remains ultimately responsible for the payment of predetermined minimum wages, the submission of payrolls, statements of compliance and all other Federal regulatory requirements.

b. "Specialty Items" shall be construed to be limited to work that requires highly specialized knowledge, abilities, or equipment not ordinarily available in the type of contracting organizations qualified and expected to bid or propose on the contract as a whole and in general are to be limited to minor components of the overall contract. 23 CFR 635.102.

2. Pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116(a), the contract amount upon which the requirements set forth in paragraph (1) of Section VI is computed includes the cost of material and manufactured products which are to be purchased or produced by the contractor under the contract provisions.

3. Pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116(c), the contractor shall furnish (a) a competent superintendent or supervisor who is employed by the firm, has full authority to direct performance of the work in accordance with the contract requirements, and is in charge of all construction operations (regardless of who performs the work) and (b) such other of its own organizational resources (supervision, management, and engineering services) as the contracting officer determines is necessary to assure the performance of the contract.

4. No portion of the contract shall be sublet, assigned or otherwise disposed of except with the written consent of the contracting officer, or authorized representative, and such consent when given shall not be construed to relieve the contractor of any responsibility for the fulfillment of the contract. Written consent will be given only after the contracting agency has assured that each subcontract is evidenced in writing and that it contains all pertinent provisions and requirements of the prime contract. (based on long-standing interpretation of 23 CFR 635.116).

5. The 30-percent self-performance requirement of paragraph (1) is not applicable to design-build contracts; however, contracting agencies may establish their own self-performance requirements. 23 CFR 635.116(d).

**VII. SAFETY: ACCIDENT PREVENTION**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

1. In the performance of this contract the contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws governing safety, health, and sanitation (23 CFR Part 635). The contractor shall provide all safeguards, safety devices and protective equipment and take any other needed actions as it determines, or as the contracting officer may determine, to be reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract. 23 CFR 635.108.

2. It is a condition of this contract, and shall be made a condition of each subcontract, which the contractor enters into pursuant to this contract, that the contractor and any subcontractor shall not permit any employee, in performance of the contract, to work in surroundings or under conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous to his/her health or safety, as determined under construction safety and health standards (29 CFR Part 1926) promulgated by the Secretary of Labor, in accordance with Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3704). 29 CFR 1926.10.

3. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1926.3, it is a condition of this contract that the Secretary of Labor or authorized representative thereof, shall have right of entry to any site of contract performance to inspect or investigate the matter of compliance with the construction safety and health standards and to carry out the duties of the Secretary under Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3704).

**VIII. FALSE STATEMENTS CONCERNING HIGHWAY PROJECTS**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

In order to assure high quality and durable construction in conformity with approved plans and specifications and a high degree of reliability on statements and representations made by engineers, contractors, suppliers, and workers on Federal-aid highway projects, it is essential that all persons concerned with the project perform their functions as carefully, thoroughly, and honestly as possible. Willful falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation with respect to any facts related to the project is a violation of Federal law. To prevent any misunderstanding regarding the seriousness of these and similar acts, Form FHWA-1022 shall be posted on each Federal-aid highway project (23 CFR Part 635) in one or more places where it is readily available to all persons concerned with the project:

18 U.S.C. 1020 reads as follows:

"Whoever, being an officer, agent, or employee of the United States, or of any State or Territory, or whoever, whether a person, association, firm, or corporation, knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, or false report as to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of the material used or to be used, or the quantity or quality of the work performed or to be performed, or the cost thereof in connection with the submission of plans, maps, specifications, contracts, or costs of construction on any highway or related project submitted for approval to the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, false report or false claim with respect to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of any work performed or to be performed, or materials furnished or to be furnished, in connection with the construction of any highway or related project approved by the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement or false representation as to material fact in any statement, certificate, or report submitted pursuant to provisions of the Federal-aid Roads Act approved July 11, 1916, (39 Stat. 355), as amended and supplemented;

Shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 5 years or both."

**IX. IMPLEMENTATION OF CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT** (42 U.S.C. 7606; 2 CFR 200.88; EO 11738)

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts in excess of \$150,000 and to all related subcontracts. 48 CFR 2.101; 2 CFR 200.326.

By submission of this bid/proposal or the execution of this contract or subcontract, as appropriate, the bidder, proposer, Federal-aid construction contractor, subcontractor, supplier, or vendor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal Highway Administration and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency. 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II.

The contractor agrees to include or cause to be included the requirements of this Section in every subcontract, and further agrees to take such action as the contracting agency may direct as a means of enforcing such requirements. 2 CFR 200.326.

**X. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts, design-build contracts, subcontracts, lower-tier subcontracts, purchase orders, lease agreements, consultant contracts or any other covered transaction requiring FHWA approval or that is estimated to cost \$25,000 or more – as defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200. 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

**1. Instructions for Certification – First Tier Participants:**

a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective first tier participant is providing the certification set out below.

b. The inability of a person to provide the certification set out below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective first tier participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective first tier participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such a person from participation in this transaction. 2 CFR 180.320.

c. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the contracting agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the contracting agency may terminate this transaction for cause of default. 2 CFR 180.325.

d. The prospective first tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the contracting agency to whom this proposal is submitted if any time the prospective first tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. 2 CFR 180.345 and 180.350.

e. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180, Subpart I, 180.900-180.1020, and 1200. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

f. The prospective first tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction. 2 CFR 180.330.

g. The prospective first tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions," provided by the department or contracting agency, entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold. 2 CFR 180.220 and 180.300.

h. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. 2 CFR 180.300; 180.320, and 180.325. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. 2 CFR 180.335. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the System for Award Management website (<https://www.sam.gov>). 2 CFR 180.300, 180.320, and 180.325.

i. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require the establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of the prospective participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

j. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph (f) of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default. 2 CFR 180.325.

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## 2. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – First Tier Participants:

a. The prospective first tier participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

(1) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency, 2 CFR 180.335;

(2) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property, 2 CFR 180.800;

(3) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(2) of this certification, 2 CFR 180.700 and 180.800; and

(4) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default, 2 CFR 180.335(d).

(5) Are not a corporation that has been convicted of a felony violation under any Federal law within the two-year period preceding this proposal (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements); and

(6) Are not a corporation with any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted, or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements).

b. Where the prospective participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant should attach an explanation to this proposal. 2 CFR 180.335 and 180.340.

## 3. Instructions for Certification - Lower Tier Participants:

(Applicable to all subcontracts, purchase orders, and other lower tier transactions requiring prior FHWA approval or estimated to cost \$25,000 or more - 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200). 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.

b. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department, or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

c. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. 2 CFR 180.365.

d. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180, Subpart I, 180.900 – 180.1020, and 1200. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

e. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated. 2 CFR 1200.220 and 1200.332.

f. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold. 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

g. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the System for Award Management website (<https://www.sam.gov/>), which is compiled by the General Services Administration. 2 CFR 180.300, 180.320, 180.330, and 180.335.

h. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.



i. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph e of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment. 2 CFR 180.325.

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**Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Participants:**

1. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals:

(a) is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency, 2 CFR 180.355;

(b) is a corporation that has been convicted of a felony violation under any Federal law within the two-year period preceding this proposal (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements); and

(c) is a corporation with any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted, or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability. (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements)

2. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant should attach an explanation to this proposal.

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**XI. CERTIFICATION REGARDING USE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FOR LOBBYING**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts which exceed \$100,000. 49 CFR Part 20, App. A.

1. The prospective participant certifies, by signing and submitting this bid or proposal, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

a. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

b. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

2. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

3. The prospective participant also agrees by submitting its bid or proposal that the participant shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier subcontracts, which exceed \$100,000 and that all such recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

**XII. USE OF UNITED STATES-FLAG VESSELS:**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts, design-build contracts, subcontracts, lower-tier subcontracts, purchase orders, lease agreements, or any other covered transaction. 46 CFR Part 381.

This requirement applies to material or equipment that is acquired for a specific Federal-aid highway project. 46 CFR 381.7. It is not applicable to goods or materials that come into inventories independent of an FHWA funded-contract.

When oceanic shipments (or shipments across the Great Lakes) are necessary for materials or equipment acquired for a specific Federal-aid construction project, the bidder, proposer, contractor, subcontractor, or vendor agrees:

1. To utilize privately owned United States-flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50 percent of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment, material, or commodities pursuant to this contract, to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for United States-flag commercial vessels. 46 CFR 381.7.

2. To furnish within 20 days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating outside the United States, a legible copy of a rated, 'on-board' commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in paragraph (b)(1) of this section to both the Contracting Officer (through the prime contractor in the case of subcontractor bills-of-lading) and to the Office of Cargo and Commercial Sealift (MAR-620), Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590. (MARAD requires copies of the ocean carrier's (master) bills of lading, certified onboard, dated, with rates and charges. These bills of lading may contain business sensitive information and therefore may be submitted directly to MARAD by the Ocean Transportation Intermediary on behalf of the contractor). 46 CFR 381.7.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, these parties have executed this Construction Agreement on the day and year shown below.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**"CITY"**  
**CITY OF GARDEN GROVE**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

**Scott C. Stiles**  
**City Manager**

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**"CONTRACTOR"**  
**R J NOBLE COMPANY**

CONTRACTOR'S State License No. 782908

(Expiration Date: August 21, 2024)

CONTRACTOR'S DIR No. 1000004235, Exp. 6/30/2025  
Attached Copy of your DIR Certificate.

\_\_\_\_\_  
By:

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Garden Grove City Attorney

Date \_\_\_\_\_

If CONTRACTOR is a corporation, a Corporate Resolution and/or Corporate Seal is required.