

**2024-2027**  
**LABORERS**  
**Heavy/Highway, Building and Utility**  
**MASTER LABOR AGREEMENT**  
**Covering**  
**SW Washington**

between the

Oregon-Columbia Chapter  
The Associated General Contractors of America

and

The Washington & Northern Idaho  
District Council of Laborers

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**PREAMBLE**  
**ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT**

**This Agreement is a successive principal Agreement of the 2021-2024 Agreement, and all other prior Agreements thereto by and between the Oregon-Columbia Chapter, of the Associated General Contractors of America, Inc. (AGC), and the Washington and Northern Idaho District Council of Laborers.**

**For the purposes of this Agreement, the Oregon-Columbia Chapter, of the Associated General Contractors of America, Inc. (AGC) is not acting as a multi-employer bargaining agent in a single multi-employer unit but is acting for and on behalf of Employers who have individually requested the Oregon-Columbia Chapter, of the Associated General Contractors of America, Inc. (AGC) to act as their individual and separate bargaining agent in individual Employer units. Further, each individual principal member reserves the right to review and accept or reject any proposed Agreement negotiated between the Union and the Oregon-Columbia Chapter, of the Associated General Contractors of America, Inc. (AGC) acting as an agent for the individual contractor members.**

**This is a collective bargaining Agreement between certain individual members of the Oregon-Columbia Chapter, of the Associated General Contractors of America, Inc. (AGC) (hereinafter referred to as the "Employer"), and the Washington and Northern Idaho District Council of Laborers (hereinafter referred to as the "Union"), and shall constitute an Agreement between the parties hereto for the work conditions and wage rates provided for herein in the territory of South West Washington.**

**ARTICLE 1**  
**PURPOSES OF THIS AGREEMENT**

**1.1** The purposes of this Agreement are to promote the settlement of labor disagreements by conference, in accordance with Article **31** and **32**, Settlement of Disputes Procedures, to prevent strikes and lockouts, to prevent avoidable delays and expense. Both parties pledge their efforts to these purposes.

**ARTICLE 2**  
**WORK AFFECTED DEFINED**

**2.1** This Agreement shall cover and apply to all on-site activities of the Employer in the area and territory named in Article **3**. This Agreement shall also cover and apply to all subcontractors of the Employer at whatever tier in the area and territory named in Article **3**, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of Article **6**, titled "Subcontractors and Other Employers."

**2.2** To clarify the scope of this Labor Agreement and to thereby avoid future misunderstandings, highway and heavy construction work is defined as including, but not limited to, the following: Construction of roads, streets, highways, alleys, sidewalks, guard rails, fences, parkways, parking areas, athletic fields, airports, railroads, railways, bridges, overpasses, underpasses, grade separations, grade crossings, track elevations, elevated highways, sewers, water mains, foundations, pile driving, sanitation projects, irrigation projects, flood control projects, reclamation projects, reservoirs, dams, dikes, levees, revetments, channels, aqueducts, channel-cutoffs, jetties, breakwaters, harbor developments, docks, piers, abutments, retaining walls, transmission lines, pipelines, duct lines, subways, shafts, tunnels, excavation of earth and rock, clearing and grubbing, land leveling, quarrying, grading and paving, airport grading, electric telephone and TV cable transmission lines, (both above and below ground), (opened ditch and/or plowed), all common ditches, locks, drilling, demolition and site clearing, industrial plant construction other than building construction as defined below, including operation, maintenance and/or repair of land and floating plant equipment, **solar, wind, battery storage, hydrogen, nuclear, carbon capture**, vehicles and other facilities used in connection with the described work and services, including but not limited to by inference or otherwise is work relating to off shore drilling and pipelines, handling of ammunitions, loading and unloading of trucks, railcars, planes, barges and ships, and all other work of similar nature.

**2.3** Building construction is defined as construction of any building structure, including modifications thereof, or additions or repairs thereto, intended for use for shelter, protection, comfort, and convenience.

**2.4** Deconstruction is defined as including, but not limited to, the following: The demolition and salvaging of building materials by hand to be recycled, reused, and/or removal of all equipment and materials to be reused. This also includes hybrid demolition defined as the use of traditional demolition equipment and methods to take building structures apart by panel method (chunks) then conveyed to another location.

**2.5** Asbestos, Lead, Mold, and Toxic Wages: This Agreement shall also cover all work in connection with the handling, control, removal, abatement, encapsulation or disposal of asbestos, lead, mold and/or toxic waste.

The building conditions of the Agreement shall apply to the construction of all buildings starting with footings and/or foundation walls.

The building conditions of this Agreement shall not apply to the construction, repair, alterations or razing of any building's incidental to heavy, highway, or utility construction projects as described in Section **2.1** above, except the construction of permanent residential housing constructed at the site of these projects.

**2.6** In the event of any disagreement between the parties hereto as to the proper classification of any project, said dispute shall be resolved under the Settlement of Disputes procedure of this Agreement.

**2.7** It is expressly understood and agreed by all parties hereto that the Association does not purport to represent through this Agreement any individual, firm or corporation engaged in the commercial operation of material processing and supplying. Therefore, such commercial operations of material processing and supplying to and including the first drop at the job site, are specifically excluded from coverage of this Agreement. If the first drop at the job site includes the distribution of material to numerous locations in the close proximity of the point of installation and the distribution work described is assigned to the building trades, it is understood the Laborers lay claim to this work.

**2.8** It is further agreed, however, that where and when operations of material processing are established at the direction of the Employer as a part of the construction contract for the purpose of supplying materials to the Employer for his construction work, such operations shall be covered by this Agreement in accordance with this Article. It is also expressly understood and agreed that this Agreement shall apply in accordance with this Article to the operation of quarries, sand and gravel plants, pre-cast and pre-stress plants, asphalt plants, ready-mix concrete or batch plants established by an Employer or subcontractor to process or supply material for the Employer or when any such operation is established primarily to supply materials to the Employer.

**2.9** This Assignment covers all work described in this article performed by the Employer, its successors, and/or assigns.

**2.10** Craft jurisdiction is neither determined nor awarded by classification or scope of work coverage in any AGC Labor Agreement.

### **ARTICLE 3 TERRITORY**

**3.1** This Agreement shall cover the following area in the State of Washington: The counties of Klickitat, Skamania, Clark, Cowlitz, Wahkiakum and that portion of Pacific County south of a straight line made by extending the north boundary line of Wahkiakum County west to the Pacific Ocean, and the Pacific Ocean bordering this Agreement within the territorial limits of the United States.

### **ARTICLE 4 EFFECTIVE DATE-DURATION-MODIFICATION**

**4.1** When executed by parties hereto, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall become effective June 1, **2024**, and shall remain in full force and effect through May 31, **2027**. The "no-strike, no-lockout" provisions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect during the entire three (3) year duration of this Agreement. The monetary considerations, i.e. wages, fringe benefits, etc., shall be as set forth in Schedule "A" for rates to be effective June 1, **2024**.

**4.2** Any party hereto desiring termination or modification of the Agreement to take effect June 1, **2027**, must serve, by Certified Mail/Express Mail, written notice to the other of a desire to change, amend, modify or terminate this Agreement on or before March 1, **2027**. If no such written notice is given, this Agreement shall continue in full force and

effect from year to year. It is agreed that in the event that either party should exercise its rights under this paragraph to amend or modify, the parties will, for a period of ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the Agreement, bargain exclusively with each other with respect to all wage rates, work conditions and hours of employment for the work herein covered. Any "Notice of Opening" or "Notice of Termination" shall follow the provisions of the Article and Section 8(d) of the National Labor Relations Act.

**4.3** If no Agreement has been entered into at the expiration of said ninety (90) day period, this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until a new Agreement is reached or either party notifies the other by Certified Mail/Express Mail of termination. If such termination notice is given, its effective date must be more than twenty-four (24) hours after the other party receives such notification.

## **ARTICLE 5 CRAFT JURISDICTION**

**5.1** The work covered by this Agreement shall be that which is recognized as properly coming under the jurisdiction of the Laborers' International Union of North America. (See Article **31** – Jurisdictional Disputes)

## **ARTICLE 6 SUBCONTRACTORS AND OTHER EMPLOYERS**

**6.1a** A subcontractor is one who takes over any part or a complete section of a general contract, including both the furnishing of materials for and the performance of labor on the job, or the performance of labor only. No Employer or joint venture covered by the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall subcontract any job site work to a subcontractor or employer who is not signatory to this Labor Agreement except as provided below. The Employer or joint venture shall be held responsible for the payment of Wages, Travel Pay, Pension, Health and Welfare, Credit Union, Dues Deduction, Training, Union Construction Group (UCG) incurred by the subcontractor and shall see that the subcontractor adheres to the work conditions, except as provided below.

**6.1b** Section 7.1a shall not be operative when potential union subcontractors are not available. When a subcontractor is not signatory to a labor agreement, there shall be a pre-job conference between the Local Union, a representative of the District Council, the Contractor, the subcontractor, and the Association if affected. The parties will attempt to reach agreement regarding this Section before the subcontractor performs any work on the project.

**6.1c** In order to comply with this Article, the Union may make available an agreement for the duration of the project or subcontract to cover only the subcontracted work.

**6.2** In the event an Employer is unable to find qualified competitive union Minority Business Enterprise-Women Business Enterprise-Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (MBE-WBE-DBE) subcontractors when the Employer is obligated to satisfy MBE-WBE-DBE recruiting requirements, the Union and the Employer shall waive this Article provided that the applicable portions of Section 7.1b, 7.1c or Section 7.3 are complied with by the Employer and the Union.

**6.3** When the general contractor receives bids that show the non-union subcontractor five percent (5%) or more lower than the union subcontractor, the Employer and the Union shall waive this Article, provided however, the pre-job conference referred to in Section 7.1b above is utilized, the Union and the Employer shall review the prices submitted before signing the non-signatory subcontractor.

**6.4** A vendor who makes delivery of materials, supplies or equipment and who, incidental to or as part of the furnishing or delivery of material, supplies, or equipment, does any work at the job site, shall be a party to a collective bargaining agreement with the Union, containing the full terms of this Agreement. In the event a vendor is not a party to such an agreement, he/she shall not perform any job site work except that deliveries may be made by such vendor to the job site.

**ARTICLE 7  
MUTUAL RECOGNITION AND UNION MEMBERSHIP**

**7.1** The Association recognizes the Union as the sole collective bargaining agent for all works and employees falling with the jurisdiction of this Agreement and the Union recognizes the Association as the sole bargaining agent for its members as listed on Schedule "B" hereof and supplements thereto. The jurisdiction of this Agreement shall not include employees of the Employer as defined and excluded by the Labor Management Relations Act of 1947, as amended, or their transportation (it is further understood that the employees so listed as excluded from this Agreement shall not be employed to the us the tools of the craft or to perform the work covered by this Agreement).

**7.2** All employees employed by the Employer to perform work within the properly determined craft jurisdiction of the Union involved shall become members of such Union not later than the eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) day following the beginning of such employment or since the inception of this Agreement, and thereafter shall maintain membership in good standing in said Union as a condition of employment subject, however, to the provisions of Sections 7.3 and 7.4 of this Article. To "become members of the Union as a condition of employment" shall mean an employee's payment or tender of initiation fees and membership dues to the Union. To "maintain their membership in good standing in the Union" shall mean an employee's payment or tender of fees or dues as required by this Agreement.

**7.3** The Union accepts all obligations for the continued membership of its members as provided in Section 7.2 of this Article, and for the collection of their initiation fees and dues. There shall be no stoppage or slow-up of work because of disciplinary action on the part of the Union, except that the Union shall have the right to require the removal of employees for failure to pay or tender initiation fees and dues as required by this Agreement.

**7.4** All requests by the Union for removal of an employee for nonpayment of or failure to tender initiation fees and dues shall be made to the contractor in writing, in which event, the Employer agrees to remove the employee involved at the end of the shift. Removal in this Article shall be within five (5) working days under any circumstances.

**ARTICLE 8  
HIRING**

**8.1a** There shall be no unlawful discrimination by the Employer or the Union with respect to the hiring, tenure, or discharge of any worker or employee, and any requirements as to membership or non-membership in any Union shall be in accordance with the National Labor Relations Act of 1947 as amended, and the appropriate Executive Orders.

**8.1b** The Employer and the Union recognize that they are required by law not to discriminate against any person with regard to employment or Union membership because of age, race, religion, color, sex, national origin, or ancestry and hereby declare their acceptance and support of such laws. This shall apply to hiring, registration for employment, placement for employment, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, lay-off or termination, and application for admission to Union membership.

**8.1c** The Employer and the Union recognize that an Employer should not lose jobs because of Government requirements, which are in conflict with the hiring hall. Therefore, when a government contract or Government Agency requires a different hiring hall arrangement to meet Federal or State requirements, the hiring hall arrangement will be modified to meet the demands of those requirements. It is understood that the hiring hall will be followed as closely as possible without being in conflict with the government requirements.

**8.1d** The Employer will notify the Union in advance of the commencement of the job of the Government requirements, and upon request will provide the Union with a copy of pertinent provisions.

**8.1e AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA):** The parties to this Agreement recognize the mandate to accommodate the disabled and agree that, other provisions of the Agreement notwithstanding, the Contractor may take reasonable actions as necessary to accommodate an individual who is or may be disabled. The Union agrees that it will conduct the affairs of its operations consistent with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. It is also further understood and agreed that this section is not intended to create jobs where none exist.

**8.2** Employees covered by this Agreement have certain accrued rights or benefits for themselves and their dependents and Health and Welfare and Pension Plans which accrue to them by virtue of length of employment with

Employers party to this Agreement, and such rights are generally continuous while under employment and remain effective until a certain period of time after lay-off or discharge.

**8.3a** The Employer will call upon the Local Union in whose territory the work is to be accomplished to refer qualified applicants for work in the classifications herein contained. In requesting applicants for work, the Employer shall notify the Local Union office either in writing or by telephone, stating the location, starting time, type of shift schedule (i.e., 5 days at 8 hours or 4 days at 10 hours), approximate duration of the job, the type of work to be performed and the number of employees required.

1. All qualified applicants referred for work to an Employer shall provide to the Employer when reporting to work two (2) pieces of identification, one of which has a picture of the applicant.

2. All qualified applicants shall complete, and sign W-4 and I-9 forms as requested by the Employer.

3. An applicant who fails or refuses to submit this information or who provides false information when referred to an Employer shall be registered on the bottom of the appropriate out-of-work list for which the applicant qualifies.

4. An applicant who, upon subsequent referral to an Employer, fails or refuses to submit this information shall be denied use of all hiring facilities within the area of this District Council, unless the applicant enters into a written agreement that the applicant will submit the information to the Employers.

**8.3b Pre-Job Conference:** Upon request by the Union or Employer, a pre-job conference shall be held regarding any project on which the Employer anticipates five (5) or more employees will be employed. However, if an Employer conducts a pre-job conference with any other craft on work that will employ one (1) or more employees, the Union will be notified. Such pre-job conference shall be held at the AGC or at a location on or near the project.

**8.3c Composite Crew:** Employers may establish for a project or job a crew, or crews known as a "composite" which will consist of the required crafts in such proportions as are respective to the type of work to be performed. In performing its work, the "composite crew" shall be allowed relaxation from strict craft jurisdiction, provided the employees from each craft are assigned to their craft's jurisdiction as far as practical and possible, but not inconsistent with the provisions of this Agreement.

The aforementioned provision shall first be arranged at the pre-job conference or subsequent meetings of the Employer and crafts involved. Any disagreement over this provision may be appealed to the chief representatives of the respective five crafts and the AGC. If a pre-job conference is not held between the Employer and the involved crafts, the "composite crew" provisions will not exist.

**8.4a** Any Joint Venture shall have the rights of any of its component individual Employers, and any reorganized company shall retain the privileges of its former position under this 8.4a section.

The individual Employer (owner or project superintendent) shall have the right to request key workers on specialty crews (such as tunnel, fencing, guard rail, paving) and other workers represented by this Agreement by name who have been previously employed by said Employer as a Laborer under the jurisdictional territory of the District Council of Laborers provided said worker is registered at the Union Hall and not on the payroll of another Employer. Workers hired under subsection 9.4a, except specialty crews as noted above, shall not constitute more than fifty percent (50%) of the Laborers employed on each project.

**8.4b** An Employer shall be allowed to transfer an unlimited number of specialty workers from one local's jurisdiction to another local's jurisdiction with the State of Oregon and five and one half (5 ½) counties of southwest Washington. The Employer shall also have the right to transfer no more than fifty percent (50%) of its other laborers from one local's jurisdiction to another local's jurisdiction with the State of Oregon and five and one half (5 ½) counties of southwest Washington. Layoff procedures shall maintain the fifty percent (50%) ratio.

**8.4c** The Employer and the Union shall mutually agree on a reasonable number of persons to be brought into the territorial jurisdiction of the Local Union for each job and such persons may be employed without reference to the hiring provisions of Article 8 and such persons shall register with the Local Union.



**8.4d** Notwithstanding Section 8.4a above, the individual Employer (owner or project superintendent) shall have the right to request any Laborer who was employed by said Employer as a Laborer on work within the jurisdiction of a Local Union for work within the jurisdiction of the same Local Union.

**8.5** All Laborers, except as noted in Section 8.4 of this Article, shall be hired and/or rehired in accordance with the length of service with Employers in the collective bargaining unit from the following four (4) groups:

**GROUP A** Effective January 1, 2003, Group A shall consist of:

All Laborers who have previously qualified for Group A list status under the terms of this Agreement.

Laborers who have successfully completed the apprenticeship program, which consists of three hundred twenty (320) hours of training and four thousand (4,000) hours of covered employment or Laborers that registered in the Apprenticeship program after June 1, 2012 who have successfully completed the Apprenticeship program which consists of four hundred (480) hours of training and six thousand (6,000) hours of covered employment.

Laborers who have been rated by the New Entrant Assessment (NEA) process as Journey Level Construction Craft Laborers.

Laborers who have worked at least four thousand (4,000) hours under the terms of an agreement with a District Council herein defined and have achieved a passing score at a level established by the NEA on the "Knowledge Assessment" portion of the assessment or a "Classification Specific Knowledge Assessment" that is approved by the Training Trust.

All other Laborers who have worked at least four thousand (4,000) hours under the terms of an agreement with a District Council will qualify for Group A list status only in the classification(s) for which they have demonstrated proficiency through a history of employment.

**GROUP B** Effective January 1, 2003, Group B shall consist of:

Individuals who are registered with and have been qualified by the JETC subcommittee and are signatory to a training agreement with the JATC. Such individuals shall register at the Training Office with the subcommittee. The area JATC shall determine the number of individuals accepted into the new entrant training program upon the recommendation of the subcommittee.

Individuals that do not successfully complete their apprenticeship will be denied use of all hiring halls within the District Council for a period of twelve (12) months from the date of their termination from the Program. Hours worked during their apprenticeship will not count towards any list status.

If at any time the indenturing of Apprentices causes the Training Trust to be out of compliance with Affirmative Action requirements, the Training Trust will indenture additional Apprentices from their pool of eligible individuals, at the earliest opportunity, to get the Local Union area back into compliance.

**GROUP C** Effective January 1, 2003, Group C shall consist of:

All Laborers who have previously qualified for Group C list status under the terms of this Agreement.

Laborers who have worked at least two hundred (200) hours under the terms of an agreement with this District Council.

**GROUP D** All other individuals who are seeking employment and who are physically fit. Any individual who has previously failed to pass or complete the Pre-Construction Training (PCT) shall not be eligible to register on the "D" list.

**8.6** Registration or re-registration of applicants for referral shall be accepted by the Union at any time during its customary office hours. All applicants shall be registered in the order of time and date of registration. To remain on the registration list, an applicant for referral must renew **their** registration not later than thirty (30) days from the date of **their** last registration or re-registration.

**8.7a** Upon the request of an Employer for Laborers, the Union shall refer qualified Laborers to that Employer in sufficient number required by the Employer in the manner and under the conditions specified in this Agreement from the list in the following order of referral:

Applicants shall be referred from Group A, as qualified, in successive order as their names appear on the out-of-work list. Additionally, each Employer may request by name, regardless of their respective position in Group A, one (1) individual for each one (1) Laborers hired. This provision will apply to Group A registrants only. When Group A has been exhausted:

Dispatching of Group B Apprentices shall be in successive order as registered on the out-of-work list. When Group B has been exhausted:

Applicants shall be referred from Group C, as qualified, in successive order as their names appear on the out-of-work list. When Group C has been exhausted:

Dispatching of Group D Registrants shall be in successive order as registered on the out-of-work list.

**WORK DEFINED:** By a single crew or on a crew-by-crew basis, and not to the job as a whole.

(1) The above ratio is subject to the availability of Apprentices.

(2) When Employers wish to transfer Apprentices from one project to another resulting in the need to transfer from one local union to another covered by this Agreement, they must have permission of both local JATC subcommittees.

(3) In the housing industry, Apprentices may be employed at the ratio of one (1) for each journeyman. For the purpose of this section, housing shall be defined as not to exceed four (4) story-walk-up type apartments.

(4) If at any time a contractor requests that a named individual be indentured into the apprenticeship program, that individual must first have been ranked by the new entrant assessment program and passed the Pre-Construction Training (PCT) course.

**8.7b** Any Employer who violates the hiring provisions of this Agreement may be denied further use of new entrant Apprentices or preferential dispatching of Group A registrants.

**8.7c** Any applicant who is dispatched from the hiring hall in which work is provided for must re-register at the bottom of the appropriate list for **their** group, unless Employer submits request for short-term job only. If Employer submits request for one (1) day work, the applicant, after the one (1) day, will retain **their** position on the appropriate list for **their** group. The local may establish a definition of "short term job" which would be uniformly applied to all applicants registering within their local union hiring hall.

Any applicant who turns down two (2) consecutive job referrals may be re-registered at the bottom of the appropriate list for **their** group. If an applicant accepts a job referral from the Union and does not accept the job, **they** may be re-registered at the bottom of the appropriate list for **their** group.

**8.7d** Should the Union be unable to refer qualified workers for employment to the Employer within twenty-four (24) hours from the time of receiving the Employer's request (Saturdays, Sundays and holidays excepted) or at the time mutually agreed upon at time of request, or if a worker fails to report to the job site in the agreed time, the Employer shall be free to secure the workers from any source. The Employer shall notify the Local Union promptly of the names, social security numbers and the date of hire of such employees.

**8.7e** Any employee employed by the Employer in violation of this Article shall forfeit all priority rights, including Section 8.4 of this Article, shall be removed from the job and re-registered at the bottom of the appropriate list for **their** group. Should the Employer fail to terminate such employee after receipt of written notice, the Union may take any economic action against the Employer and shall not be in violation of this Agreement.

**8.8 The Employers acknowledge and support the LIUNA Code of Performance, dated 5/14/2010, as an effort to increase competitiveness by improving the quality and performance of the workforce. To assist the Union with implementation of this Code of Performance, the Employers agree to designate discharges “for cause” in writing, when appropriate. This clause is intended only to assist the Union in implementing its Code of Performance with future referrals under the Union’s hiring hall procedures. Otherwise, this clause does not create any new or additional rights for the workers or additional responsibility for Employers under this Agreement.**

**8.9 Whenever an employee is discharged for cause, including failure to pass a substance abuse test, not able to perform the assigned work due to lack of skills or as unsatisfactory, the Employer agrees to send a **written** termination notice (on Company letterhead) or within an email, within fifteen (15) working days to the Union, stating the reasons for termination. If no notice of cause is provided, the individual shall be eligible for rehire without exception. **Timely Written termination notice shall include all jurisdiction covered by the Oregon-Columbia Chapter of the Associated General Contractors of America and the Washington and N. Idaho District Council of Laborers.****

**8.10 General Termination: When a registrant has been terminated as unsatisfactory or has been discharged for cause by at least three (3) Employers within a twenty-four (24) month period, they shall be denied further use of all hiring halls covered by the District Council provided the Employers have furnished the Local Unions in writing the reasons for such terminations or discharges. Members wishing to demonstrate that corrective action has been taken by them, and therefore they should be allowed access to the hiring hall facilities, may petition the District Council’s Executive Board for an opportunity to appear and give their position. The members’ petition to the District Council’s Executive Board shall be filled within one year from the date they have been denied further use of the hiring halls covered by the District Council. A member may petition twice for the restoration of their use of the hiring hall facilities covered by the District Council. The burden is on the petitioning member to demonstrate that corrective action has been taken to remedy the issue(s) outlined in the termination letters. The District Council’s Executive Board shall be the sole judge as to whether such corrective action is sufficient for reinstatement. Upon reinstatement the Member will agree and sign a “Last Chance” agreement with Washington and N. Idaho District Council of Laborers’ and all affiliated Locals.**

**8.11 When a registrant has been terminated for lack of possessing the necessary skills to perform the assigned duties by at least three (3) employers within a twenty-four (24) month period, satisfactory completion of additional training will be required before hiring hall privileges are restored in the classification in question.**

**8.12 The following provision applies only to those Employers using the AGC-Labor Substance Abuse Program or one that has been jointly negotiated with the Union. In order to protect the privacy of all employees, termination notices for failure of the drug test must be sent “Personal & Confidential” to:**

Business Manager  
Washington & Northern Idaho District Council of Laborers  
12101 Tukwila International Blvd., Suite 300  
Seattle, WA 98168

When a registrant has been terminated and/or is deemed ineligible for rehire for failure to pass a substance abuse test, the individual shall be registered on the bottom of the appropriate out-of-work list for which **they** qualify. Should the registrant be terminated and/or deemed ineligible for rehire a second time within a twenty-four (24) month period, for failure to pass a substance abuse test, the registrant shall be denied use of all hiring facilities within the area of the District Council until **they have** successfully completed a State certified drug/alcohol program or has been released for employment purposes by a State certified counselor, and continues to remain free of all prohibited substances as defined in the AGC-Labor Substance Abuse Program.

In order to determine compliance with this Section, prior to having all hiring privileges restored, the registrant must sign a privacy release to allow the Union to discuss and to exchange with the drug/alcohol program or counselor any necessary information pertaining to the registrant’s case.

**ARTICLE 9**  
**SHIFTS-HOURS OF WORK-OVERTIME**

(The official time for the purposes of this Agreement shall be applicable legal time)

**9.1** The hours of work per week or month shall be as regulated by the particular contract which the Employer has to perform and shall be arranged to meet the requirements of the Employer as best suits the calendar time allowed by the contract for completion.

**9.2a** The workweek shall be forty (40) hours, Monday through Friday, and the workday shall not exceed eight (8) hours per day. All time worked in excess of the foregoing shall be paid for at the rate of time and one-half (1½X). Work performed on Saturdays shall be paid for at the rate of time and one half (1½X). Sunday, holiday, and work in excess of twelve (12) hours in any workday shall be paid for at the rate of double time (2X).

Notwithstanding the above, Heavy Highway work will only be paid double time (2X) for work after twelve (12) hours if other crewmembers are receiving double time (2X).

**9.2b** Four-ten (4-10) hour shifts at the straight time rate may be established either Monday through Thursday, or Tuesday through Friday. In the event the job is down due to weather conditions, equipment breakdown or holiday, then Friday on a Monday through Thursday schedule, or Saturday on a Tuesday through Friday schedule on a voluntary basis may be worked as a make-up day. The Employer shall notify the Union in writing prior to establishing (4-10) hour shifts.

On work that is entirely federally funded, the workweek shall be forty (40) hours, Monday through Friday. All work in excess of forty (40) hours in one (1) week, or ten (10) hours in one (1) day shall be paid for at the rate of time and one-half (1½X). The Contractor shall not employ a second crew to circumvent overtime pay after forty (40) hours. This shall not prohibit the Employer and the Union from negotiating "rolling" four-ten (4-10) hour shifts on a project-by-project basis.

In the event the job is down due to equipment breakdown or weather conditions, Monday through Friday, then Saturday may be worked as a voluntary make-up day at the straight time rate. Four-ten (4-10) hour shifts at the straight time rate may be established either Monday through Thursday, or Tuesday through Friday. In the event the job is down due to weather conditions, equipment breakdown or holiday, then Friday on a Monday through Thursday schedule, or Saturday on a Tuesday through Friday schedule may be worked as a VOLUNTARY make-up day.

**9.3a SINGLE SHIFT:**

**HEAVY HIGHWAY**

Eight (8) hours work per day between the hours of 5:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and five (5) days per week, Monday through Friday, shall be the normal working time of all employees covered by this Agreement. Starting and quitting times may be expanded by mutual consent.

**BUILDING**

Eight (8) hours work per day between the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and five (5) days per week, Monday through Friday, shall be the normal working time of all employees covered by this Agreement. Starting and quitting times may be expanded by mutual consent.

**9.3b TWO SHIFT OPERATION:** On a two (2) daylight and consecutive shift operation, no shift penalty is involved for work performed in either of these two (2) shifts. Each shift must be scheduled for at least eight (8) hours except as provided for in the Reporting Pay/Minimum Pay requirements of this Agreement.

**9.3c** As an exception to the provisions of paragraphs (a) and (b) above, a starting time earlier than 5:00 a.m. may be established by mutual Agreement between the Employer and the Union, which shall be confirmed in writing and copies filed with representatives of both parties.

**9.3d THREE-SHIFT OPERATIONS:** On a three (3) shift operation, the first shift of eight (8) hours (exclusive of meal period) shall start between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m., and eight (8) hours work shall constitute the first shift for which eight (8) hours will be paid. The second shift shall consist of seven and one-half (7½) hours for heavy-highway-utility work and seven (7) hours for building work (exclusive of meal period) for which eight (8) hours at the straight time rate shall be

paid. The third shift shall be seven (7) hours (exclusive of meal period) for which eight (8) hours at the straight time rate shall be paid. Thirty-five (35) hours shall constitute a week's work on the third shift.

**9.3e SPECIAL SHIFT:** A special shift may be established at any time, at the option of the Employer, on any job or project. Said shift shall not be started until the Union has been notified. There shall be no premium or penalty for working a special shift.

**9.3f** On new building construction there shall be three (3) or more consecutive days work (exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays and holidays) for each shift, provided, however, that in the event of any emergency where an extra single shift is necessary to prevent delay in the scheduled progress of work, such as the completion of forms for pouring concrete or the completion of a concrete pour, such single shifts will be permitted upon prior notice to the Union, and providing such shift must be worked the full shift time of seven and one-half (7½) hours for eight (8) hours pay.

**9.3g** For the purposes of this Article, a full shift shall be considered the regularly scheduled hours of work established for each shift, and the second and third shifts shall be considered as a part of the working day on which the first shift started. The total allowable time for a two or three-shift operation shall not be in excess of twenty-four (24) hours from the regular starting time of the first shift. The regularly scheduled shift hours shall not be changed during the workweek without two (2) days prior notice and not more than once during the workweek.

**9.3h** Should an Employer elect to start a shift before the regular starting time, the applicable overtime rate shall be paid until the regular starting time, and the eight (8) hours of continuous employment (exclusive of meal period) following the regular starting time shall be at the regular straight time rate and/or in accordance with Section 10.2 of this Article. Should an Employer elect to start an employee prior to **their** regularly scheduled hours of work, such employee shall receive the applicable overtime rate up to **their** regularly scheduled hours. When an employee has worked **their** regular shift and/or overtime, all additional hours shall be at the applicable overtime rate until such time as the employee has had a break of eight (8) hours or more.

**9.3i LUNCH PERIOD:** A regular lunch period of not less than one half (1/2) hour or more than one (1) hour shall be established within one (1) hour of mid-shift but in no event longer than five (5) hours from the beginning of the shift. If an employee is required to work more than five (5) hours from the beginning of the shift without a lunch period, **they** shall be paid a half (1/2) hour at the applicable overtime rate and in addition given adequate time to eat **their** lunch. If the employee is not given adequate time to eat, **they** shall then receive an additional half (1/2) hour at the applicable overtime rate.

Employees who have been given sufficient time to eat during the regular shift may be allowed to work twelve (12) hours without a second lunch period penalty. If the employee works over twelve (12) hours, **they** shall be paid one half (1/2) hour penalty at the applicable overtime rate. If the employee is not given sufficient time to eat **their** lunch during **their** regular shift, an additional one half (1/2) hour penalty shall be paid if required to work longer than ten (10) hours.

**9.3j REST PERIODS:** Paid rest periods of ten (10) minutes shall be provided during each work period or major part thereof. The rest period may not be added to the usual meal period or deducted from the beginning or end of the work period to reduce the overall length of the total work period. The ordinary nature and circumstances of construction work may not allow for a fixed regular schedule. However, effort shall be made to have rest periods taken approximately in the middle of each work period.

**9.3k** The Employer shall furnish, when necessary, heated change rooms of ample size equipped for drying clothes and with benches. They will be situated as close as practical to the work area and will not be used for storage of material or equipment. The determination as to necessity shall be made by Agreement of the Employer and the business representative of the Local Union concerned.

**9.4 (Applies to heavy-highway-utility work only.)** Moving of all equipment from job to job, set-up and tear-down work, and servicing and repair work done by operating crews on Sundays and holidays shall be paid for at one and one-half (1½X) times the straight time rate provided for the classification concerned.

**9.5 (Applies to heavy-highway-utility work only.)** When it is necessary to keep flaggers or other non-production or non-operating employees on duty on Saturdays and Sundays when no other activities (other than such maintenance

work which is being done by other crafts) are in progress, such employees shall be paid at the overtime rate of one and one-half (1½X) times the basic rate of wages.

**9.6 Emergency Starting Time.** When it is mutually agreed that an emergency exists, such as earthquakes, floods or fires, starting time for the shift may be made to fit the emergency and eight (8) hours in any twenty-four (24) hour period may be worked at straight time when mutual Agreement with the Union is received in writing.

**9.7** Foremen or employees from other crews cannot be used to complete a job or work assignment which continues or requires over-time work. Nothing in this section shall prevent the expansion or reduction of **the** work crew by the Employer.

## **ARTICLE 10 REPORTING PAY, MINIMUM PAY, STANDBY PAY AND PAID SICK LEAVE (PTO)**

**10.1 IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT (IRCA).** Any referral unable to qualify for employment under the provisions of the IRCA shall not be eligible for employment and the attendant benefits therein.

**10.2 REPORTING EXPENSE.** When qualified workers report for work as directed and for whom no work is provided, they shall be paid **four (4) hours pay** unless prevented from working by causes not under the control of the Employer. Any applicant who travels more than fifty (50) miles from the above-named dispatch points to the job site and is not put to work shall be paid eight (8) hours at the dispatch rate of pay plus fringe benefit contributions. It being understood that the above reimbursements are for the inconvenience of reporting to the job site and are not to be construed as wages for work performed and that workers entitled to reporting expense shall not be required to remain on the job site except as provided below.

**10.3 MINIMUM PAY.** Employees who work less than four (4) hours shall be paid for four (4) hours and if worked more than four (4) hours shall receive pay for the actual time worked unless they are working directly with the Cement Masons and then they will receive eight (8) hours pay if worked in excess of four (4) hours.

If an employee leaves or quits of **their** own volition, **they** shall be paid for actual time worked at applicable straight and overtime rates. If a new hire is put to work and judged by the Employer to be unsatisfactory, that person shall be paid only for the actual time worked.

**10.4 STAND BY.** On rain sensitive work such as Dirt Work, Slab Work, Asphalt Work or in such cases as equipment breakdown, the Employer may request the employees to remain on the job for up to two (2) hours on a stand-by basis. If not put to work during this two (2) hour period, the employee shall receive two (2) hours wages plus fringes but shall not receive the fifty dollars (\$50.00) reporting expense. If put to work, employees shall receive pay for actual hours worked in accordance with the minimum pay requirement of this Article.

**10.5 CALL BACK.** When employees have completed their scheduled shift; and have left the job site; and are "called back" to perform work of a casual, incidental, or irregular nature, they shall receive a minimum of two (2) hours pay at the applicable daily overtime rate.

### **10.6 PAID/SICK LEAVE**

**A. The parties to this Agreement acknowledge that given the nature of the construction industry, paid sick leave is not appropriate and hereby expressly waive the provisions of any city, state or county ordinance, rule or regulation granting paid sick leave to the employees under the jurisdiction of this Agreement, assuming that said ordinance, rule or regulation allows for such a waiver.**

**B. The Parties to this agreement will implement, as soon as practicable, a Paid Time Off fund (hereinafter "PTO fund") that is fully compliant with the Washington Paid Sick Leave provisions in RCW 49.46.180 – 49.46.830, and the federal requirements of the EO-13706 Fully Federally Funded jobs and their implementing regulations. The PTO fund must also constitute an express waiver of those sick leave provisions in accordance with RCW 49.46.180(1)(c). The PTO fund must be defined as 'usual benefits' to be included in the prevailing wage and include protections should the sick leave law be changed to disallow pre-payment of sick leave benefits.**

C. The purpose of the PTO fund is to provide employees with paid time off including, but not limited to vacation and sick leave. Employees are authorized to use paid sick leave for the reasons provided in RCW 49.46.210, as amended.

D. The Employer agrees to contribute an amount equal to 2.5% of the employee's normal hourly wage rate for each hour worked when covered by this Agreement to the PTO fund. In the event that additional funds are needed to maintain compliance with the laws stated above, new funds shall be reallocated from the current package. PTO amounts are a fringe benefit and not to be compounded in overtime. Should this program be found to not meet the construction exemption of RCW 49.46 by rule, amendment, direction, decree, or order from an arbitrator, or a court of competent jurisdiction, Washington's Department of Labor and Industry, the State, or any Local government or agency, the obligation to contribute under this program will immediately cease and the Parties will bargain for an alternative solution.

E. All applicable rules, accrual, and pay, per any paid sick leave law shall be subject to the grievance set forth in Article 31.

**ARTICLE 11  
NON-RECURRING WORK**

11.1 When an Employer does not have regular employees available at the job site, **they** may employ without regard to craft jurisdiction when the following conditions exist:

- a. Unexpected vacancies cause by sickness or other unavoidable absences beyond the control of the Employer and/or
- b. Where less than one (1) day's work must be performed and members of this Union are not immediately available.

11.2 In such cases the employee shall be paid the rate for the classification of the work which **they are** required to do, or the rate for the classification under which **they are** working immediately prior to the temporary assignment; whichever rate is higher.

11.3 In no event will the above conditions be permitted beyond one (1) day nor will the temporary assignment be considered as a permanent assignment of work. Employers found violating this Article shall be considered in breach of contract and subject to Settlement of Non-Jurisdictional Disputes, Article 32.

**ARTICLE 12  
HOLIDAYS**

12.1 HOLIDAYS shall be:

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| New Year's Day   | Memorial Day                   |
| Fourth of July   | Labor Day                      |
| Thanksgiving Day | Day following Thanksgiving Day |
| Christmas Day    |                                |

Should any of these holidays fall on Sunday, the following Monday shall be considered a legal holiday. If a holiday falls on Saturday, the previous Friday shall be considered a legal holiday. **No work shall be performed on Labor Day, except: to protect life and property or by mutual agreement of the Union and the Employer.**

Should an employee be required to work on Presidential Election Day, arrangements shall be made to allow **them** ample time to vote. However, the Employer will not be required to pay for any time not worked.

**ARTICLE 13  
PAYDAY**

**13.1 Employees shall be paid in full once each week (on the same day), but in no event shall more than five (5) days' (Saturday, Sunday and holidays excluded) wages be withheld.**

**a. If a regular payday falls on a holiday, the employees shall be paid on the last regular workday before the holiday. The check must be dated for the last regular workday before the holiday.**

**b. The Employer will have the following options of making payment: 1.) negotiable check made on a local bank, paid prior to quitting time at the job site; 2.) direct deposit, into employee's bank account; or by mail, at the election of employee, in writing at the time of hire or with ten (10) days advance notice of a change. If paid by mail, the check shall be postmarked no later than two (2) business days prior to the established payday.**

**c. No employee shall be discharged, laid off, disciplined, replaced, transferred, or have any other adverse action taken against them for refusing to use the direct payroll deposit or mail option.**

**d. The Employer shall furnish to each employee, at the time of payment of wages, an itemized statement showing the pay bases (i.e., hours or days worked), rate or rates of pay, gross wages and all deductions from that pay period. In addition, the name, address, and phone number of the Employer shall be indicated.**

**An itemized pay statement means a separate written statement from the paycheck issued to employees on each payday. Pay periods shall be identified on the pay statement by month, day, year, and payment date.**

**The pay statement may be furnished or made available electronically provided each employee has access to receive and copy it on payday. If an employee cannot receive an electronic pay statement at work or at home on the established payday, the Employer must provide a written pay statement to the employee on the payday.**

**e. No adjustment of the disputed pay will be made unless the employee or the Union make a claim in writing to the Employer's representative within fifteen (15) days from the pay period in question.**

**13.2 Employees who quit shall be paid no later than the next regular pay period.**

**13.3 Employees who are laid off or discharged shall be paid no later than the end of the next regular business day. If the employee is on direct deposit payment, payment shall be deposited into the employee's bank account within two (2) business days.**

**13.4 If the payment is not made expressly as provided in this Article, then the employee shall be paid four (4) hours pay at the appropriate hourly wage rate for each twenty-four (24) hour period (Saturday and Sunday excepted; holidays shall be excepted unless the regular payday falls on a holiday and the check is not dated for the last regular workday before the holiday), thereafter until payment is made. In the case of payment by mail, the postmark on the envelope will serve as the cutoff date for any penalty. Employees must notify the Union within three (3) working days after the payday, layoff, or discharge to be eligible for penalty pay.**

**13.5 Non-Sufficient Funds: In the event an employee receives a non-sufficient funds (NSF) check, the payment shall then be made by money order or certified check. In addition, any documented bank fees or charges incurred by the employee as a result of receiving an NSF check payment will be reimbursed to the affected employee. If requested, a letter of explanation will be sent to the employees' bank and any creditors that may have been affected. If an employee receives an NSF check for the second time in any four (4) week period, the make-up checks and all subsequent payments shall be made by money order or certified check.**



## **ARTICLE 14 WAGE SCALES**

**14.1 OLD WORK PROTECTION.** All private sector work in progress or bid, which was covered by the scope of the previous agreement, shall be guaranteed the protection of the appropriate wage and fringe benefit rates in effect in the previous agreement, except that the contribution for Health and Welfare shall be the same as established in the Master Labor Agreement.

Protection of the appropriate wage and fringe benefit rates shall also apply to any private work in progress or bid from any wage reopeners or extensions negotiated during the term of this Agreement, except that the contribution for Health and Welfare shall be the same as established in the Master Labor Agreement.

Private Work bid after June 1, **2024**, shall be at the new wage and benefit rates as provided in Schedule "A."

Private work bid under this agreement, which extends beyond May 31, **2027**, shall be guaranteed the protection of the appropriate wage and fringe benefit rates in effect under this agreement for twenty-four (24) months from the award of the bid, except that the contractor will pay all Health and Welfare increases.

Public Work performed under the provisions of a prevailing wage statute shall be administered in accordance with Article **27**, Public Works Wages.

**14.2a** The classifications of employment, wage scales, Health and Welfare, Pension, Training and Credit Union as set forth in this Agreement and Schedule "A" attached shall be applicable for the period covered as set forth in Article **4**.

**14.2b** Monetary increases in the total wage and fringe packages for the life of this **three (3)** year agreement are effective as indicated in Schedule "A"

**14.3** Additions of classifications and applicable wage scales for the purpose of clarification or supplying omissions may be made from time to time when signed by the parties hereto and shall be confirmed by written supplements to the attached Schedule "A".

## **ARTICLE 15 TRANSPORTATION-CAMP REQUIREMENTS**

**15.1** No travel time, transportation reimbursement, or subsistence is payable under this Agreement except as provided in this Article 16. The Employer agrees to pay only those toll fees on bridges and ferries which the employee must use in traveling the shortest route to and from the job from the nearest dispatch point of zone pay reference point provided the employee furnishes said daily receipts to the Employer.

However, if employees of other basic crafts, who have agreements with the Employer, receive reimbursement for toll fees those employees with like circumstances (i.e. live in the same area and travel the same route) shall also be reimbursed for their toll fees and ferry charges.

**15.2** Any employee engaged in the transportation of material or machinery on long hauls and held away from his home terminal overnight, shall be paid the cost of his lodging and meals, or a reasonable allowance, provided that the employee shall furnish receipts for same.

**15.3** Where and when standard camp facilities or trailer court facilities are provided by the Employer at or near the job site the Employer and the Union will mutually agree on cost to the employee and the hourly wage rate will prevail. The Employer will be the sole judge as to where and when job circumstances justify the establishment or discontinuance of camp facilities.

**15.4 JOB SITE TRANSPORTATION:** Whenever, because of remoteness of parking areas, hazardous road conditions, or security restrictions, it is necessary for the Employer to furnish transportation for employees within the job site to the place of their work, the project management and representative of the Union shall meet to discuss any special conditions surrounding such man-haul operations. When the Employer furnishes such transportation to the employee without cost to **them**, the equipment shall include seats and protection from the elements and definite pick-up and discharge points

shall be determined. If there is more than thirty (30) minutes in time consumed from pick-up points to work site, the employee shall be paid for any time over thirty (30) minutes. If there is more than thirty (30) minutes time consumed from work site to pick-up points, the employee shall be paid for the full amount of time spent in travel from work site to pick-up point at his regular rate.

**15.5** If the Union and the Employer, by mutual agreement, determines lodging at a hotel, motel or work camp is necessary, employees may elect to receive zone pay or per diem at the rate set by the General Service Administration (GSA) of the location of the hotel, but not both.

**ARTICLE 16  
HEALTH & SAFETY  
DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING**

**16.1** Labor and Management agree that it is in the best interests of all to promote an alcohol and drug-free working environment and pledge both to work within their own areas of influence and to cooperate to that end.

**16.2** The Employer has the right to screen employees for alcohol and drugs as a condition of employment, as long as the above is in compliance with state and federal laws. Drug and Alcohol Testing is permitted under the conditions as outlined in paragraph **16.3** and **16.4** of this article.

**16.3** Testing will be conducted in accordance with the Construction Industry Drug-Free Workplace Program (CIDFWP). All testing will be paid by Employer contributions to the CIDFWP. If test results are negative, the employee will be paid fifty dollars (\$50.00) by the program and will be issued a Drug Card.

**16.4** Notwithstanding section **16.3** above, a signatory contractor may choose to not participate or pay the contribution for the CIDFWP, provided employees are covered by a Department of Transportation approved program. The Employer shall submit a copy of their DOT approved program to the union for review.

**16.5 PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEES/MEMBERS** - Prospective employees/members who test negative for a Drug and Alcohol Test conducted in compliance with the aforementioned policy, will be reimbursed fifty dollars (\$50.00) for taking such test. This expenditure is not for time worked, but for the undetermined amount of expense by the prospective employee/member prior to being put on the employer's payroll.

**16.6** The parties agree that all contractors and the subcontractors, regardless of tier, shall participate in a Drug & Alcohol testing program equal to or better than the CIDFWP.

**ARTICLE 17  
HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**17.1** In addition to the wage scales listed in Schedule "A" herein, all persons, firms and corporations as listed on Schedule "B"; who are signatory parties to this Agreement, shall pay into the existing trust fund, Northwest Laborers-Employers Health and Security Trust Fund, or its successor, for the purpose of providing health and welfare benefits to all eligible employees covered by this Agreement, such payment to be made in accordance with the requirements of the trust agreement. The applicable provisions of the existing trust document are hereby adopted for the period covered by this Agreement, and the fund established by prior contributions under former agreements between the parties shall be recognized as a fund held in trust and therefore an appropriate depository for the contributions referred to herein above. The Employers accept, as their representatives, the Employer Trustees presently serving on said fund's Board of Trustees and their duly appointed or elected successors.

**17.2** It is further agreed that the trust fund established for the purpose of providing health and welfare benefits shall be one that is jointly established and equally administered by trustees from the Association and the Union.

**17.3** After due notice to the individual Employer involved (and if a member of the Association also to the Association) by the Union it shall not be deemed a violation of this Agreement for employees covered by this Agreement to refuse to work for and to take economic action against the individual Employer who has failed to make proper contributions to the Health and Welfare Fund in accordance with this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 18  
PENSION**

**18.1** In addition to the wage scales listed in Schedule "A" herein, all persons, firms or corporations as listed in Schedule "B" who are signatory parties to this Agreement, shall pay into the existing trust fund, Western Washington Laborers-Employers Pension Trust Fund, or its successor, for the purpose of providing pension benefits for all eligible employees covered by this Agreement, such payment to be made in accordance with the requirements of the Trust Agreement. The applicable provisions of the existing trust document are hereby adopted for the period covered by this Agreement, and the fund established by prior contributions under former agreements between the parties shall be recognized as a fund held in trust and therefore an appropriate depository for contributions as referred to herein above. The Employers accept, as their representatives, the Employer Trustees presently serving on said fund's Board of Trustees and their duly appointed or elected successors.

**18.2** It is further agreed that the trust fund established for the purpose of providing pension benefits shall be one that is jointly established and equally administered by Trustees from the Association and the Union.

**18.3** After due notice to the individual Employer involved (and if a member of the Association also to the Association) by the Union it shall not be deemed a violation of this Agreement for employees covered by this Agreement to refuse to work for and to take economic action against the individual Employer who has failed to make proper contributions to the Pension Fund in accordance with this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 19  
CREDIT UNION**

**19.1** It is agreed that all Employers employing employees within the geographic area covered by this Agreement shall subtract a sum, as listed in Schedule "A" from each employee's net paycheck (after taxes), for each hour worked by its employees performing work covered by this Agreement regardless of union membership. Said contributions will be made to a Credit Union. Contributions will be made on the same form as Health and Security payments and that the pro-rata costs of such forms and the collection and accounting thereof will be paid by the Union to the fringe benefit administrator.

**19.2** After due notice to the individual Employer involved (and if a member of the Association also to the Association) by the Union, it shall not be deemed a violation of this Agreement for employees covered by this Agreement to refuse to work for and to take economic action against the individual Employer who has failed to make proper contributions to the in accordance with this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 20  
TRAINING**

**20.1** In addition to the wage scales listed in Schedule "A" herein, all persons, firms or corporations as listed in Schedule "B", who are signatory parties to this Agreement, shall pay into the Northwest Laborers-Employers Training Trust Fund, or its successor, for the purpose of training Laborers for work in the classifications covered by this Agreement. The applicable provisions of the existing trust document are hereby adopted for the period covered by this Agreement, and the fund established by prior contributions under former agreements between the parties shall be recognized as a fund held in trust and therefore an appropriate depository for contributions as referred to herein above. The Employers accept, as their representatives, the Employer Trustees presently serving on said fund's Board of Trustees and their duly appointed or elected successors.

**20.2** It is further agreed that the trust fund established for the purpose of providing training shall be one that is jointly established and equally administered by trustees from the Associations and the Union. Each Trustee appointed by the Union shall be a member of the Union or a regular paid employee of the Union and each Trustee appointed for the Employers shall be a member of an affiliated signatory firm of the chapters of the AGC that has a history of hiring Laborers within the area of the Trust.

**20.3.** After due notice to the individual Employer involved (and if a member of the Association also to the Association) by the Union it shall not be deemed a violation of this Agreement for employees covered by this Agreement to refuse to

work for and to take economic action against the individual Employer who has failed to make proper contributions to the Laborers Training Trust Fund in accordance with this Agreement.

**20.4a** The parties will design procedures to identify and set three (3) year goals to continually improve all journeyman upgrade and apprenticeship training programs; and work on the development of safety training program(s), etc.

**20.4b Training for Journeymen.** The Association and Union jointly agree that increased available training for the Laborer work force is a goal during the life of this Agreement. This joint endeavor is conditional upon available training resources and is intended to be attained without unreasonable cost burdens to the Training Trust. These Training goals are categorized as follows:

**20.4c Specialized Training.** When the Employer has a need for **Specialized** Journeyman training, consistent with the semi-annually published Laborers' Program schedule of classes, training will be provided at no cost to the Employer when a sufficient number of employees are available for classes and a program curriculum exists. In those circumstances where a program curriculum does not exist, the Employer may request through the Training Board of Trustees (Laborers-Employers Training Trust), that consideration be given to the development of an industry program.

**20.5 Foreman Training.**

**a. Foreman Supervisory Skills.** The Association, the Union and the respective training affiliates agree to commence efforts on Journeyman upgrade training programs, which focus on Foremen's supervisory skills and responsibilities.

**b. Premium for Foreman.** An increased Foreman's premium of thirty-five cents (\$.35) will be provided for:

1. Individuals who successfully complete a jointly agreed upon annual Foreman's Training Curriculum; and
2. When the individual is assigned as a Foreman by **their** employer.

**ARTICLE 21  
RECIPROCITY**

**21.1.** A signatory employer shall make fringe benefit contributions to the trust fund(s) and at the state's applicable rates, in the state where the work is performed.

**21.2** Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph **21.1**, such contributions shall be transferred by the receiving trust fund(s) to the home trust fund(s) of the applicable employee provided that the employee: (1) is properly cleared by the local union who has jurisdiction over the work and (2) has executed a *Money Follows the Man Agreement* or a *Keyman Agreement*.

**ARTICLE 22  
LIGHT DUTY RETURN TO WORK**

**22.1** The Employer may return an injured employee to light duty status when allowed by the employee's doctor. When such light duty work is available, light duty functions may not be work of another craft or work under classifications covered by the Master Laborers Agreement.

**22.2** At no time will the employee's total earnings be less than **their** full-time loss compensation under industrial insurance. Further, the employee will be provided with a full fringe package, as per the collective bargaining agreement, over and above total remuneration.

**22.3** Should the employee on light duty have to be laid off due to no work available, the Employer will not adversely affect **their** ability to continue to receive loss time benefits from the Industrial Insurance Division of Labor and Industries (including self-insured employers provided they are still medically eligible).

**ARTICLE 23  
UNION CONTRACTOR GROUP (UCG)**

**23.1** Effective June 1, 2000, Union **Contractor** Group shall be established within the AGC by virtue of this Agreement and shall continue in full force and effect during the term of this Agreement. All Employers signatory to this Collective Bargaining Agreement, or who become signatory, or otherwise come under the scope of this Agreement, shall contribute the sum of five (\$0.05) cents per hour worked by employees covered under this Agreement into said fund. Contributions will be made on the same form as other Trust payments.

**ARTICLE 24  
NORTHWEST LABORERS-EMPLOYERS COOPERATION AND EDUCATION TEAM**

**24.1** The Employer and the Union recognize that they must confront many issues of mutual concern, which are more susceptible to resolution through Labor-Management Cooperation than through collective bargaining. To seek resolution of these mutual concerns and to advance mutual interests through Labor-Management Cooperative efforts, the Employer and the Union agree to participate in the **Northwest Laborers'-Employers' Cooperation and Education Team (NWLECET)** described herein which is established in accordance with Section 302(C)(9) of the Taft-Hartley Act.

**24.2** The parties agree that the Employers shall contribute to NWLECET an amount provided in Schedule "A" for each employee covered by this Agreement. Said contribution shall become effective for hours worked starting June 1, 2024, and for each month thereafter for the term of this Agreement.

**24.3** Contributions will be made in the same form as the Health and Security payments in the amount of \$0.15 per hour. The pro-rata costs of such forms, collection and accounting will be paid by the NWLECET to the fringe benefit administrator.

**24.4** This Article will sunset May 31, 2027, unless the parties to this contract mutually agree to continue the contributions to NWLECET or to reallocate for another purpose.

**ARTICLE 25  
SAFETY-SANITATION**

**25.1** The Employer and the employee will conform to all Federal and State health and safety regulations applicable to work covered by this Agreement and shall have adequate shelters available where necessary, with heat, where the employees can change and dry their clothes and store their tools. On all projects covered by this Agreement, there shall be provided by the Employer at all times during construction, sanitary facilities consisting of a reasonable number of toilets and urinals, on tunnel projects separate showers for men and women. Fresh drinking water will be available to the employees.

**25.2** This Agreement is not intended to and shall not be construed as creating, imposing, or adopting on the Union or representatives any state common-law duties in areas of safety.

**ARTICLE 26  
GOVERNMENT REQUIREMENTS**

**26.1** The Union and the Employer recognize that an Employer should not lose jobs because of Government requirements, which are in conflict with the provisions of this Agreement. The Union and the Employer pledge their mutual cooperation in complying with provisions in any contract, which the Employer may bid for or enter into with any public or quasi-public or governmental body for the performance of work covered by this Agreement. If the Employer believes that a government requirement is in conflict with the Agreement, they shall request a pre-job meeting with the Union to seek alternatives. The Union will not withhold agreement unnecessarily.

**ARTICLE 27**  
**PUBLIC WORKS WAGES**  
**PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT DAVIS-BACON ACT AND RELATED STATUTES**  
**RCW 39.12.010 to 39.12.900**

**27.1** In the event an individual Contractor bids a public job or project being awarded by a federal, state, county, city or other public entity which is to be performed at a predetermined and/or prevailing wage rate established or established by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Labor (pursuant to the Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C. § 3141 et seq., whose regulations are contained in 29 CFR Parts 1,3,5, 6 and 7, and which determinations are published in The Federal Register), or by the Director of the Washington Department of Labor and Industries (pursuant to RCW 39.12.010 to RCW 39.12.900). The total published predetermined wage and fringe package shall apply, except as provided in Section 30.2 below, for the first twenty-four (24) months of the project from the date of the initial notice to proceed.

**27.2** The total published predetermined wage and fringe package at the time of the bid may be allocated to reflect the current fringe benefit rates in the Master Labor Agreement, with the remainder being allocated to wages. If the Health and Welfare contribution increases during the twenty-four (24) month period, the contractor shall pay the additional contribution without deduction elsewhere in the total package.

**27.3** At the end of the twenty-four (24) months, the contractor shall pay the predetermined total package in effect at that time. The fringe benefit contribution rates for Health and Welfare only shall be those established and maintained by the Master Labor Agreement.

**27.4** In the event a Contractor utilizes this Article on a job or project, whose duration is longer than the duration of this Agreement, the Contractor shall enter into a project agreement for the duration of the job or project. The project agreement shall incorporate the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

**27.5** The predetermined wage rates for apprentices shall be those maintained in the current Master Labor Agreement.

**ARTICLE 28**  
**PRESERVATION OF WORK**

**28.1** The parties signatory hereto understand and agree that a primary purpose of this Agreement is to preserve to the bargaining unit employees covered by this Agreement work which has traditionally been performed by them.

**ARTICLE 29**  
**AUTHORIZATION**

**29.1** In accordance with the provisions of Article 4, this Agreement shall become effective when signed by the Oregon-Columbia Chapter, of the Associated General Contractors of America and by the authorized representatives of the Washington & Northern Idaho District Council of Laborers, affiliated with the Laborers' International Union of North America, as set forth in Schedule "C" attached hereto.

**29.2** The Association has attached hereto Schedule "B" setting forth the names of its members subscribing to this Agreement at the date of signing this Agreement. The name of any new Employer subscribing to the Agreement shall be **periodically** filed by the Association with the Union, as a supplement to Schedule "B", and with such filing, such new Employer automatically becomes bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

**29.3** The Union shall file with the Association promptly the name of any Employer who subscribes to the terms and conditions of this Agreement. It shall be understood that any dispute settled between the Union and any such non-member Employer shall in no way be binding on the Association signatory hereto nor to be interpreted as establishing an area practice unless the signatory Association is represented in and a party to such settlement.

**29.4** The Union, signatory hereto, agrees that any new Local Union established within the territory and jurisdiction covered by this Agreement, as long as it shall be effective, will automatically become bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement from the official date of its charter. The Association shall be notified of the establishment of such new Local Union.

The Union shall also notify the Association if any Local Union is discontinued and/or merged with another Local Union. Such action by the Union shall not adversely affect the Employer's rights under the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

### **ARTICLE 30 STRIKES AND LOCKOUTS**

**30.1** It is mutually agreed that there will be no strikes or lockouts, or cessation of work, by either party, for the duration of this Agreement, and all disputes arising under this Agreement shall be submitted to the procedures for the settlement of disputes as provided in this Agreement. The parties agree that there will be no cessation or stoppage of work because of jurisdictional disputes.

**30.2** The Union will not recognize an unauthorized picket line. It shall not be a violation for the Union to refuse to cross a picket line established by a building trades craft when approved by the authorized building trades labor body and the Washington & Northern Idaho District Council of Laborers, or a non-building trades craft if approved by the Washington & Northern Idaho District Council of Laborers.

### **ARTICLE 31 JURISDICTIONAL DISPUTES**

**31.1** Employers shall make all work assignments as follows:

- a.** In accordance with the terms of an existing labor agreement providing for such work.
- b.** In accordance with the terms of any International and/or Local Agreements and/or Memorandum of Understandings between the signatory Union and any other Union.
- c.** In accordance with area practices of local building trades.

**31.2** If the Employer has complied with the provisions of Section 31.1 and receives written notification of two (2) or more Unions contesting the work assignment, the Employer shall maintain his work assignment until the dispute has been resolved in accordance with the following procedure:

- a.** Contesting Unions and the contractor shall attempt to resolve disputes. If unable to do so within forty-eight (48) hours (Saturday, Sunday and holidays excluded) then;
- b.** The parties to this Agreement shall meet for the purpose of resolving the dispute. If unable to resolve said dispute within forty-eight (48) hours (Saturday, Sunday and holidays excluded) then;
- c.** The parties to this Agreement shall have exhausted their internal remedies and may then seek resolution through the NLRB and/or the courts. No legal action may be initiated before such internal remedies are exhausted.

**31.3** The parties agree that there will be no cessation or stoppage of work because of jurisdictional disputes. Failure to follow the above procedures shall be a breach of contract.

### **ARTICLE 32 SETTLEMENT OF NON-JURISDICTIONAL DISPUTES**

**32.1** In cases of violation, misunderstandings, or differences in interpretation of this Agreement, there shall be no cessation or stoppage of work. Both parties pledge their immediate cooperation to eliminate the above-mentioned possibilities, and the procedure in Section 32.2 is outlined for this purpose.

**32.2** Procedure for Settlement of Disputes:

**A. Step One:** In the event that a dispute arising on the job cannot be satisfactorily adjusted on the job between the representative of the Union involved and the Employer, the dispute shall promptly (not later than fifteen (15) working days), be referred to the Business Manager of the Local Union involved and the Employer's authorized representative who is vested with decision making authority. Should they fail to reach a settlement, the matter shall proceed to Step Two.

**B. Step Two: Board of Conciliation:** The dispute shall be referred to the District Council and the Employer's authorized representative who is vested with decision making authority for a Board of Conciliation within fifteen (15) working days. This Board shall consist of two (2) people who have no direct involvement in the dispute, appointed by each party. If these four (4) people cannot affect a settlement within seven (7) days after the dispute has been referred to them, the matter shall proceed to Step Three. Either party may waive their right to a Board of Conciliation in Step Two. However, if this step is waived, mediation in Step Three shall become mandatory. At no time will more than twenty (20) working days pass between the conclusion of Step One and the decision to waive the right to Step Two.

**C. Step Three: Mediation:** Except as provided in Step Two, by mutual agreement, the issue may be referred to mediation. The parties shall request a mediator from the Federal Mediation & Conciliation Service or other mutually acceptable service. This person shall serve as the mediator to resolve the dispute. The expense of employing the mediator shall be borne equally by both parties and each party shall be responsible for their own attorney fees and costs. Should mediation be waived, or the parties fail to reach agreement, the matter shall proceed to Step Four.

**D. Step Four: Arbitration:** The parties shall request a list of seven (7) arbitrators from the Federal Mediation & Conciliation Service or other acceptable service and shall alternately strike names until only one name remains. This person shall serve as the arbitrator to resolve the dispute. The expense of employing the arbitrator shall be borne by the non-prevailing party and each party shall be responsible for their own attorney fees and costs.

Any decisions shall be within the scope and terms of this Agreement. It may also provide retroactivity not exceeding sixty (60) days and shall state the effective date. Decisions by the Board shall be rendered within twenty (20) days or at their discretion after the dispute is referred to them, and such decision shall be final and binding upon all parties. By mutual agreement, the aforementioned time frames in this Article may be waived or extended.

### ARTICLE 33 UNION ADMISSION TO JOB

**33.1** The Business Manager of the Local Union or **their** Field Representative having jurisdiction and the Business Manager or **their** Field Representative of the District Council will be permitted to visit any project at any time **after checking in with the project superintendent, prior to proceeding to the project** to solicit **their** membership, collect dues, investigate conditions and work with the authorized representative of the Employer to correct violations existing on any job at any time, but **they** shall in no way unnecessarily delay the work on the job site **or approach any employees of a qualified non-signatory employer while on the job site.**

**33.2** Should the Employer refuse the authorized representative admission to the job at any time, the Business Manager of the appropriate District Council of Laborers of the Union is free to take any economic action against such Employer it deems necessary and such action shall not be considered a violation of this Agreement.

**33.3** On projects which are under security regulations, the Employer will cooperate with the Union officials in this regard as far as regulations permit.

**33.4a** There will be no discrimination against any employee because of past or present union activities. However, no employee, unless **they have** been designated as the steward on the job, is to use the Employer's time for union activities. The Employer shall be informed in writing of the names of the appointed stewards. Working steward shall be required to have permission from **their** foreman to leave **their** work and will not interrupt others at work except in cases of emergencies involving life, limb or property. The Union shall select one or more of its members to be recognized as Shop/Job Steward. The Union maintains the right to appoint Stewards for each shift being utilized per the contract on a specific project.

**33.4b** The appointed Steward shall be granted the appropriate time as determined by the Steward to conduct their business while on the payroll of the company. The authority of the Job Steward shall be limited to the investigation of complaints which may be in violation of this collective bargaining Agreement. The Steward shall perform **their** duties the same as any other worker and shall not be discharged for Union activities. **They** shall present such findings to the Union Agent for processing.



**33.4c** When an Employer or superintendent deems it necessary to discharge an appointed working steward during the course of a job, **they** will, to maintain harmony, inform the Union forty-eight (48) hours beforehand of the necessity of such action except for terminations for just cause.

**ARTICLE 34  
UNION DUES DEDUCTION**

**34.1** Upon presentation of a proper authorization form executed by the individual employee, the Employer agrees to deduct Union dues from net pay after taxes and remit same to the Union in accordance with applicable law. It is understood the Employers will remit each month the Union dues deducted in accordance with this Article on the transmittal forms used for fringe benefit contributions and that the pro rata costs of such forms and the collection and accounting thereof will be paid by the Union to the fringe benefit administrator.

**34.2** The authorization forms shall be supplied by the Union and the Employer is under no obligations to solicit employees for authorization.

**34.3** The Union guarantees that the Union dues to be deducted shall be the uniform amount applicable to all members of the Union covered by this Agreement as established by the membership through their duly elected delegates in accordance with the Union constitution. The Union guarantees that the Union dues collected in this manner shall not be used as a strike fund against the employer's party to this Agreement. Should the Union violate either provision of this paragraph this Article shall be null and void for the remaining period of this Agreement.

**34.4** This procedure shall not be applicable to initiation fees, fines or readmission fees.

**ARTICLE 35  
SPECIAL AGREEMENTS**

**35.1** Special agreements and/or job agreements may be negotiated by the parties hereto by mutual consent.

If the Union negotiates special agreements for any work covered by this Agreement with any other Employer or Employer Association, all provisions of such agreements shall be made available and apply to any Employer signatory to this Agreement for the specific work and specific area covered by such special Agreement only.

A Memorandum of Understanding dated June 1, 2000, is incorporated as a supplement to this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 36  
MUTUAL GUARANTEE**

**36.1** It is mutually agreed that both the Association's and the Union's participation in this Agreement is based on the guarantee that each will use its best efforts to enforce the terms and conditions hereof upon the parties to this Agreement on all construction work performed by the Employer within the territory covered by this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 37  
ADOPTION OF ADDENDA**

**37.1** The signatory parties adopt as a part of this Agreement any attached addenda or supplements negotiated between the District Council and The Associated General Contractors.

**ARTICLE 38  
SAVING CLAUSE**

**38.1** Should any part or any provision of this Agreement be rendered or declared invalid by reason of any existing or subsequently enacted legislation or by any decree of a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidation of such part or provision of this Agreement shall not invalidate the remaining parts or provisions hereof, provided however, upon such invalidation the parties agree to meet without delay and negotiate such part or provision affected within thirty (30) days unless mutually extended. The remaining parts or provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

38.2 The aforementioned section shall apply in the event of relevant actions by FASB.

**ARTICLE 39  
GUARANTEE OF AUTHORITY**

39.1 The individuals signing this Agreement in their official capacity hereby personally guarantee and warrant their authority to act for and bind the respective parties or organizations whom their signatures purport to represent.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, this Agreement has been executed by the parties hereto and ratified and accepted by the signatory members of the Oregon-Columbia Chapter, of The Associated General Contractors of America, Inc., subscribing to this Agreement and by the Washington & Northern Idaho District Council of Laborers on behalf of its respective Local Unions, this 1st day of June **2024**, at Vancouver, Washington.

NOTE: - This Agreement is being signed as a single contract for the Washington & Northern Idaho District Council of Laborers.

**FOR THE UNION:**

**WASHINGTON & NORTHERN IDAHO DISTRICT COUNCIL OF LABORERS**

By /s/ DocuSigned by:  
*Stacy J Martin*  
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Stacy Martin, Business Manager & Secretary-Treasurer

By /s/ DocuSigned by:  
*Justin Sellers*  
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Justin Sellers, Business Manager Local #335

**FOR THE ASSOCIATION:**

**OREGON-COLUMBIA CHAPTER, THE ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF AMERICA**

By /s/ DocuSigned by:  
*Chris Gregg*  
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Chris Gregg, Chairman, Collective Bargaining

By /s/ DocuSigned by:  
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Mike Salsgiver, Executive Director, AGC

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Kris Fix, Director of Labor Relations, AGC

**SCHEDULE "A"**

**SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON LABORERS**

**WAGE SCALES**

**June 1, 2024 THROUGH May 31, 2027**

**HEAVY, HIGHWAY, UTILITY AND BUILDING  
CONSTRUCTION WORK**

**TERRITORY** – This Agreement shall cover the following areas in the State of Washington: The counties of Klickitat, Skamania, Clark, Cowlitz, Wahkiakum and that portion of Pacific County should of a straight line made by extending the north boundary line of Wahkiakum County west to the Pacific Ocean, and the Pacific Ocean bordering this Agreement within the territorial boundaries of the United States.

**EFFECTIVE DATES** – This Agreement shall become effective June 1, **2024**, and through May 31, **2027**(See Article **4** for details)

**TIME:** Official time for the purpose of this Agreement shall be applicable legal time

**NOTE: HOD CARRIERS** - With respect to building construction work as defined in Article **2** (Work Affected Defined) for the duration of this Agreement, the wage scale applicable to Hod Carriers contained or to be contained in the labor contracts covering Oregon and S.W. Washington between the Laborers organizations involved and the Mason Contractors Association and the Contracting Plasterers Association shall be recognized and abided by the parties hereto when hiring Hod Carriers.

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS:**

- (1) Any Laborer working in LIVE SEWERS shall receive forty dollars (\$40.00) PER DAY in addition to his regular pay.
- (2) There must be at least one (1) employee of the contractor on each project that holds a first aid card.
- (3) HIGHEST RATE FOR HALF OR FULL DAY: When a laborer is put to work at a higher classification in any day, the laborer shall be paid for that day:
  - (a) the higher classification rate for four (4) hours if the laborer works at the higher classification for four (4) hours or less, and the balance of his day at the lesser rate; or
  - (b) the higher classification rate for the full day if **they** work at the higher classification for more than four (4) hours.
- (4) Isolated workers will be contacted periodically by a supervisor or other employee (of any craft or management representative).
- (5) All special safety equipment required for the performance of the work will be furnished by the Employer and the employee will be responsible for, and take care of, such equipment until the employee is terminated. If the employee does not return the equipment to the Employer in good condition, subject to normal wear and tear, the employee will be required to pay for such items at cost.

**WAGES AND FRINGE BENEFITS (Per Hour)**  
**EFFECTIVE: JUNE 1, 2024 THROUGH MAY 31, 2027**

NOTES: 1) See Schedule "A" for classification Groups.  
 2) See Schedule "A" for Zone Wage Scale Information.

**TOTAL ANNUAL INCREASES:****Effective June 1, 2024: \$3.50****Effective June 1, 2025: 5.26%****Effective June 1, 2026: 4.58%**

It shall not be a violation of this Agreement for the Employer to pay above the classification listed in this Agreement to key personnel.

**WAGE RATES EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024:**

GROUP	Zone A	Zone B	Zone C	Zone D	Zone E
		<b>(\$.85)</b>	<b>(\$1.25)</b>	<b>(\$2.00)</b>	<b>(\$4.00)</b>
<b>1-Landscape</b>	<b>\$30.84</b>	<b>\$31.69</b>	<b>\$32.09</b>	<b>\$32.84</b>	<b>\$34.84</b>
<b>2-Flaggers</b>	<b>\$38.34</b>	<b>\$39.19</b>	<b>\$39.59</b>	<b>\$40.34</b>	<b>\$42.34</b>
<b>3-Gen Laborer</b>	<b>\$41.66</b>	<b>\$42.51</b>	<b>\$42.91</b>	<b>\$43.66</b>	<b>\$45.66</b>
<b>4-Demolition</b>	<b>\$42.46</b>	<b>\$43.31</b>	<b>\$43.71</b>	<b>\$44.46</b>	<b>\$46.46</b>
<b>5-Asbestos</b>	<b>\$43.07</b>	<b>\$43.92</b>	<b>\$44.32</b>	<b>\$45.07</b>	<b>\$47.07</b>
<b>6-Concrete/Saw</b>	<b>\$43.58</b>	<b>\$44.43</b>	<b>\$44.83</b>	<b>\$45.58</b>	<b>\$47.58</b>

**Foreman Premium: Two dollars and seventy-five cents (\$2.75)** per hour above the highest classification supervised.

Accredited Foreman Premium, an additional two dollars (\$0.35) (See Schedule "A" for details)

**General Foreman:** When Laborer has been assigned to supervise two or more foremen, **they** shall be designated to act as General Foreman and shall receive ten percent (10%) per hour above the highest classification supervised.

<b>FRINGE BENEFIT PACKAGE</b>	<b>6/1/24</b>	<b>6/1/25</b>	<b>6/1/26</b>
Health & Welfare	<b>\$8.20</b>		
Pension	<b>\$5.80</b>		
Training	<b>\$1.00</b>		
CIDFWP	\$0.13		
<b>NWLECET</b>	<b>\$0.15</b>		
UCG	\$0.05		
<b>PTO**</b>	<b>SEE NOTE BELOW</b>		

**DEDUCTIONS:** From net pay after taxes (effective June 1, 2024):

	<b>6/1/24</b>
Credit Union	\$1.05
<b>PTO**</b>	
Union Dues	<b>\$2.20</b>

**\*\*PTO-** The Employer shall contribute an amount equal to 2.5% of the employee's normal hourly wage rate for each hour worked when covered by this Agreement to the PTO fund. Amounts are not to be compounded as overtime. PTO is in addition to the hourly wage and is to be separate line item on the check

**WAGES AND FRINGE BENEFITS (Per Hour)**  
**EFFECTIVE: June 1, 2024 THROUGH May 31, 2027**

**Economic Adjustment**

The allocation to Health and Welfare will not exceed forty cents (\$0.40) per year.

**APPRENTICESHIP:**

The parties signatory hereto agree to establish an apprenticeship program. This would be accomplished by enlarging the existing training program into a full indentured training program. The rate of pay shall have increments as a percentage rate of journeyman scale, as listed below.

**APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM:**

**Section 1** Recognizing the need for an adequate supply of qualified Laborers, the Association and the Union mutually agree to actively promote and participate in a joint training program designed to meet this need.

**Section 2** Such programs, which exist or are developed to achieve this end are supported in whole or in part from funds derived from this agreement and shall:

- a. Be jointly administered by equal representation of management as appointed by the Association and labor as appointed by the Union.
- b. The employment of Apprentices shall be in accordance with the ratios as outlined in Schedule "D".
- c. Provide wages in accordance with the following defined classifications:

**Apprenticeship Rates**  
**(PERCENTAGE COMPUTED ON CURRENT GROUP I RATES)**  
**June 1, 2024 THROUGH May 31, 2027**

Apprentices registered beginning June 1, 2012, will participate in the 6,000-hour program:

**APPRENTICESHIP RATES EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024:**

		Zone A	Zone B	Zone C	Zone D	Zone E
			<b>(\$0.85)</b>	<b>(\$1.25)</b>	<b>(\$2.00)</b>	<b>(\$4.00)</b>
0-1000 hrs.	60%	<b>\$25.00</b>	<b>\$25.85</b>	<b>\$26.25</b>	<b>\$27.00</b>	<b>\$29.00</b>
1001-2000 hrs.	70%	<b>\$29.16</b>	<b>\$30.01</b>	<b>\$30.41</b>	<b>\$31.16</b>	<b>\$33.16</b>
2001-3000 hrs.	80%	<b>\$33.33</b>	<b>\$34.18</b>	<b>\$34.58</b>	<b>\$35.33</b>	<b>\$37.33</b>
3001-4000 hrs.	85%	<b>\$35.41</b>	<b>\$36.26</b>	<b>\$36.66</b>	<b>\$37.41</b>	<b>\$39.41</b>
4001-5000 hrs.	90%	<b>\$37.49</b>	<b>\$38.34</b>	<b>\$38.74</b>	<b>\$39.49</b>	<b>\$41.49</b>
5001-6000 hrs.	95%	<b>\$39.58</b>	<b>\$40.43</b>	<b>\$40.83</b>	<b>\$41.58</b>	<b>\$43.58</b>

Notes: At no time will apprentice wage rates exceed those of journeyman for the same classification of work. The fringe benefit contribution rates for apprentices shall be the same as for the journeyman.

**June 1, 2024 THROUGH May 31, 2027  
CLASSIFICATIONS**

**GROUP 1**

Landscaping or Planting & Irrigation  
**Window washer/cleaner**

**Watchman**

**GROUP 2**

Confined Space/Hole Watch  
Final Clean-up<sup>1</sup>  
Fire Watch

Pilot Car  
Traffic Flaggers  
**Fence Builders**

**GROUP 3**

Includes General Laborers and the following:

Asphalt Plant Laborers  
Asphalt Spreaders  
Batch Weighman  
Brick Pavers (dry)  
Broomers  
Brush Burners and Cutters  
Car and Truck Loaders  
Carpenter Tender  
Change-House Man or Dry Shack Man  
Choker Setters  
Clean-up Laborers  
Curing, Concrete  
Demolition, Wrecking and Moving Laborers  
Dry Stack Walls  
Dumpers, road oiling crew  
Dumpmen (for grading crew)  
Elevator Feeders  
Erosion Control Specialist  
Guard Rail, Median Rail, Reference Post  
Guide Post, Right-of-Way Marker, Fine Graders  
Fine Graders  
Form Strippers (not swinging stages)  
Leverman or Aggregate Spreaders (Flaherty and similar types)

Loading Spotters  
Material Yard Man (including electrical)  
Powderman Tender  
Pittsburgh Chipper Operator or similar types  
Railroad Track Laborers  
Ribbon Setters (including steel forms)  
Rigger/Signalperson  
Rip Rap Man (hand packed)  
Road Pump Tender  
Scaffold Tender  
Sewer Labor  
Signalman  
Skipman  
Slopers  
Spraymen  
Stake Chaser  
Stockpiler  
Timber Faller and Bucker (hand labor)  
Toolroom Man (at job site)  
Traffic Control Laborer  
Weight-Man Crusher (aggregate when used)  
Timber Faller and Bucker (hand labor)  
**Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA)**

Note: All other Laborer work classifications not specifically listed shall be classified as General Laborer Group 3.

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<sup>1</sup> Detailed clean-up such as, but not limited to, cleaning floors, ceilings, walls, windows, etc. prior to final acceptance by the Owner.

#### **GROUP 4**

Includes the following:

Application (including Pot Power Tender for same),  
Applying protective material by hand or nozzle on  
utility lines or storage tanks on project  
Brush (Power Saw)  
Burners  
Choker Splicer  
Chuck Tender  
Clay Power Spreader and similar types  
Clean-up Nozzleman-Green-Cutter(Concrete, Rock, etc.)  
Concrete Crew, Bull Gang  
Concrete Laborers  
Concrete Power Buggyman  
Crusher Feeder  
Demolition: Wrecking & Moving (incl. Charred material)  
Guniting Nozzleman Tender  
Guniting or Sand Blasting Pot Tender

Handlers or Mixers of all materials of irritating nature  
(including Cement & Lime)  
Hand Placed Sand Blasting (wet)  
Pipe Doping and Wrapping  
Post Hole Digger, air, gas or electric  
Pressure Washer  
Ribbon Setter, Head  
Rip Rap Man (Head)  
Stake-Setter  
Tampers  
Tie Back Shoring  
Tool Operators – includes but is not limited to:  
Dry Pack Machine  
Jackhammer  
Chipping Guns  
Paving Breakers  
Traffic Control Supervisor

#### **GROUP 5**

Includes the following:

Asbestos Removal  
Bit Grinder  
Concrete Saw Operator  
Drill Doctor  
Hazardous Waste Worker  
Lead Abatement  
Manhole Building  
Mold Remediation or Removal  
Nippers and Timbermen  
Nuclear Plant Workers – Lead Shield, Power Saw  
Operators (bucking & falling)

Sand Blasting (dry)  
Sewer Timberman  
Track Liners, Anchor Machines, Ballast Regulators  
Multiple Tampers  
Power Jacks  
Tugger Operator  
Water Blaster  
Welder

#### **GROUP 6**

Asphalt Raker  
Concrete Saw Operator (walls)  
Concrete Nozzleman  
Drill Operators, Air Tracks, Cat Drills, Wagon Drills  
Rubber-Mounted Drills and other similar types,  
Including at Crusher Plants  
Grade Checker  
Guniting Nozzleman  
High Scalars, Strippers & Drillers (covers work in swinging  
stages, chairs or belts under extreme conditions  
unusual to normal drilling, blasting, barring down or  
slopping and stripping.

Laser Beam (pipe laying) – applicable when Employee  
Assigned to move, set up, align  
Laser Beam  
Loop Installation  
Pipelayer – all types<sup>2</sup>  
**Vibrating Scream  
Vibrators (all types)**

<sup>2</sup> Including pressurized and non-pressurized ductile pipe, gravity pipe and HDPE (fused and non-fused)

**TUNNELS**

Bullgang (above ground)  
Chuck Tenders  
Miner – Tunnel  
Motorman – Dinky Locomotive  
Muckers, Brakeman

Powderman – Tunnel  
Shield Operator  
Laser Beam (Tunnel) – applicable when employee assigned to move, set up, align

**FOREMAN PREMIUM:** When one of the Laborers is designated to act as foreman, **they** shall receive two dollars and **seventy-five** cents (\$2.75) per hour above highest classification supervised. The contractor shall have the right to determine in **their** sole discretion the need for and the number of Laborer Foremen or Traffic Control Supervisors.

It being further understood that all crews that are made up of a majority of Laborers shall be supervised by a Laborer Foreman.

When a Group 6 Powder Man is designated to act as foreman, **they** shall receive two dollars and **seventy-five** cents (\$2.75) per hour above **their** Group Rate.

**Foreman Training:** An increased Foreman's premium thirty-five (\$0.35) will be provided for:

- Individuals who successfully complete a jointly agreed upon annual Foreman's Training Curriculum; and
- When the individual is assigned as a Foreman by **their** employer.

**General Foreman:** When one of the Laborers has been assigned to supervise two or more foremen, **they** shall be designated to act as General Foreman and shall receive ten (10%) percent per hour above the highest classification supervised.

**ZONE PAY DIFFERENTIAL:**

A. The parties to the Agreement recognize that because of remoteness of area and other reasons, there is a great inequity between the living expenses of an employee providing for **themselves** and **their** family in the major metropolitan areas and those of an employee working in the remote areas within the large geographical area of this Agreement, and therefore, adopt the following provisions for wage scales.

FOR THE FOLLOWING SITES:

Longview, Vancouver or the Employee's Residence

a. All jobs or projects located WITHIN twenty (20) miles of the following addresses: 1525 Broadway St., Longview, WA 98632 (Longview City Hall); 415 W. 6th St., Vancouver, WA (Vancouver City Hall), or the Employee's residence shall receive the basic rate of pay for all classifications (Zone A) as listed in Schedule "A."

b. All jobs or projects located MORE THAN twenty (20) miles and less than forty (40) miles from the sites above mentioned shall receive Zone "B" allowance. The basic rate of pay shall be increased by eighty-five cents (85¢) per hour.

c. All jobs or projects located MORE THAN forty (40) MILES or less than fifty (50) miles from the sites above mentioned shall receive Zone "C" allowance. The basic rate of pay shall be increased by one dollar and twenty-five cents (\$1.25) per hour.

d. All jobs or projects located MORE THAN fifty (50) MILES and less than eighty (80) miles from the sites above mentioned shall receive Zone "D" allowance. The basic rate of pay shall be increased by two dollars (\$2.00) per hour.

e. All jobs or projects located MORE THAN eighty (80) MILES from the sites above mentioned shall receive Zone "E" allowance. The basic rate of pay shall be increased by four dollars (\$4.00) per hour.

NOTE #1: When suitable arrangements for daily transportation of an employee are made by the Employer, at no cost to the employee and the employee avails **themselves** of this opportunity, no zone pay shall be paid.



**B.** It is agreed that for the purpose of determining the proper wage scale under this Agreement:

**1.** All job or project locations shall be computed (determined) on the basis of road miles and in the following manner. A mileage measurement will start at the entrance to the respective city hall, facing the project (if possible), and shall proceed by the normal route (shortest time - best road) to the geographical center on highway, railroad, and street construction projects (end of measurement). On all other project contracts, the geographical center where the major portion of the construction work is located shall be considered the center of the project (end of measurement).

**2.** All related jobs or projects (such as a crusher's location) shall, for the purpose of determining the proper pay zone rates, be considered as a part of the prime job, with the exception of jetties which for the purpose of this Agreement, will have separate locations and may, therefore, have a different pay zone for the quarry and jetty sites.

## **DEFINITIONS**

**A. GENERAL.** In any excavation, other than Item B-Sewers, etc., and Item C-Tunnels, the classifications and rates of Item C-Tunnels shall apply wherever the depth of excavation exceeds twice the largest horizontal dimension.

**B. SEWERS, WATER AND GAS LINES, TELEPHONE AND ELECTRIC UNDERGROUND.** Sewer pipe laying or monolithic sewer construction in open excavation or in completed tunnels (rises or shafts) shall be defined as sewer work.

**C. MANHOLE EXCAVATION AND CONSTRUCTION,** up to six (6) feet in largest horizontal dimension, shall be defined as sewer work, to maximum depth of twenty (20) feet, and defined as tunnel (shaft) beyond twenty (20) feet in depth. Manhole excavation and construction, over six (6) feet in largest horizontal dimension, shall be defined as tunnel (shaft) when the depth is more than twice the largest horizontal dimension.

**D. TUNNELS.** A "Tunnel" shall be defined as a subterranean excavation, lined or unlined, which because of its length necessitates an employee or employees working underground for a distance of ten (10) feet or more. On all work classified as "Tunnel," the tunnel classification and rates shall apply to the entire length of the tunnel, from portal to portal.

A tunnel whose horizontal grade is over thirty percent (30%) and less than sixty percent (60%) shall be defined as a "Raise." A tunnel whose horizontal grade is greater than sixty percent (60%), and whose depth is more than twice its largest horizontal dimension, shall be defined as a "Shaft."

The above definitions of work shall apply also to the work of timbering and lining of tunnels (raises and shafts) as described above.

**E. COFFERDAM WORK.** Where workers are required to work inside cofferdams, which are confined areas without easy means of escape and where extreme hazards abnormal to ordinary operating conditions exist, the workers shall receive premium pay of **one dollar (\$1.00)** per hour above their regular rate.

## **COMPRESSED AIR WORK PROJECTS WAGE RATES AND CONDITIONS**

On any compressed air work that may arise during the term of this Agreement, it is agreed that a Special Job Agreement will be negotiated prior to the bid or the start of the project between the Union and the Association.

**SCHEDULE "B"**

**List of signatory contractors to the Oregon & Columbia Chapter of AGC**

(as of 06/17/24)

A.C. Schommer & Sons  
ASI Structures, LLC  
Cascade Tower and Rigging  
Chick of All Trades, LLC  
Coffman Excavation  
Columbia River Contractors, Inc.  
Coral Construction Company  
DeWitt Construction, Inc.  
Gonzales Boring & Tunneling, Inc.  
Goodfellow Bros. LLC  
JE Dunn Construction Company  
LaRusso Concrete Company

Marion Construction Company  
MB Structures, LLC  
McClone Construction Company  
McDonald Excavating, Inc.  
P & C Construction  
Pence/Kelly Concrete, LLC  
Perlo Structures  
RDF Builders  
Turner Construction  
Ward-Henshaw Construction Co.  
Whitaker/Ellis Builders

**SCHEDULE "C"**

**Labor Unions Signatory to the 2024-2027 Southwest Washington Laborers Agreement**

**WASHINGTON LABORERS**

Washington & Northern Idaho  
District Council of Laborers  
Seattle, WA 98168  
(425) 741-3556

Local No. 335:  
Vancouver, Washington  
(360) 695-3318

## SCHEDULE "D"

An employer employing one (1) or more Journey-level Laborers may employ Apprentices on a one-to-one ratio.

NOTE: Employers who are signatory to this collective bargaining agreement shall sign a Training Agent Agreement approved by the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries per the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries Apprenticeship guidelines. Employers' signatory to this Agreement may only employ Laborer apprentices registered through the Northwest Laborers-Employers Training Trust. Employers may lose their training agent status with the State of Washington if they are found to be in violation of the established ratios.

- A. The apprentice to journey-level worker shall never exceed a one to one (1:1) ratio.
- B. The proper ratio of journeymen to apprentices will be maintained when reducing the workforce and when transferring employees from project to project.
- C. When performing overtime or emergency work, Journeyman Laborers will be given preference.

WORK DEFINED: By a single crew or on a crew-by-crew basis, and not to the job as a whole.

- D. When Employers wish to transfer apprentices from one project to another resulting in the need to transfer from one local union to another covered by this Agreement, they must have permission of both local JETC subcommittees.

NOTE: Apprentices may not be transferred outside the area of the subcommittee's jurisdiction except when done in accordance with this Section D.

- E. At no time will apprentices' wage rates exceed those of Journeyman for the same classification of work.
- F. Apprentices shall be indentured in accordance with the Northwest Laborers Apprenticeship Committee Standards of Apprenticeship.
- G. When an apprentice is required to attend training necessary for maintaining and/or upgrading **their** status in the apprenticeship program, and such training necessitates the absence of the apprentice from a job, the Employer shall grant the apprentice leave from the job to satisfy the training requirement and restore **their** status on the job when the training is completed, provided a position is available.

The Washington & Northern Idaho District Council of Laborers

**Fax Numbers**

District Council Office: 425-741-2787

Local 335 Vancouver: 360-699-6142

**Project Name/Location:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Employer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Member's Name;** \_\_\_\_\_

**Last Day Worked:** \_\_\_\_\_, **20**\_\_\_\_\_

**Reason for Separation:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Not Eligible for Rehire**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Lack of Work** **Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Failure to Report** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Quit** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Safety/Policy Violation** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Unsatisfactory Worker**

**Supervisor Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contractor:** It is important that we know why a Laborer is being returned to the hall. By completing this form you help us provide you with the best Laborers available.