EMPLOYMENT PREFERENCE DETERMINATION

(Effective July 1, 2015)

By authority of AS 36.10.150 and 8 ACC 30.064, the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development has determined the entire State of Alaska to be a Zone of Underemployment. A Zone of Underemployment requires that Alaska residents who are eligible under AS 36.10.140 be given a minimum of 90% employment preference on public works contracts throughout Alaska. This hiring preference applies on a project-by-project, craft-by-craft or occupational basis and must be met each workweek by each contractor/subcontractor.

The following classifications require a minimum of 90 percent Alaska resident hire preference:

- Boilermakers
- Bricklayers
- Carpenters
- Cement Masons
- Culinary Workers
- Electricians
- Engineers and Architects
- Equipment Operators
- Foreman and Supervisors
- Insulation Workers
- Ironworkers
- Laborers
- Mechanics
- Milwrights
- Painters
- Piledriving Occupations
- Plumbers and Pipefitters
- Roofers
- Sheet Metal Workers
- Surveyors
- Truck Drivers
- Tug Boat Workers
- Welders

For additional information about the Alaska resident hire requirements, contact the nearest Wage and Hour office.

Please be advised that most public projects are covered. Funding sources are unique for every project. The inclusion of federal funds does not necessarily remove a project from jurisdiction. Ongoing projects that were excluded from the employment preference determination effective August 16, 2013 are not subject to this determination if the bid was submitted prior to July 1, 2015. Ongoing projects subject to the August 16, 2013, determination must comply with the Alaska resident employment preference requirements listed above. If there is any uncertainty about whether the law applies to a particular project, the department requests that you contact the regional Wage and Hour office nearest you for a determination. DOLWD Wage and Hour office contact numbers are as follows: Juneau: (907) 465-4842, Anchorage: (907) 269-4900, Fairbanks: (907) 451-2886.

This determination is effective July 1, 2015 and remains in effect through June 30, 2017.

Heidi Drygas, Commissioner

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Date