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**IMPORTANT NOTICE TO AWARDING BODIES AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
REGARDING A MODIFICATION TO
THE DIRECTOR'S GENERAL PREVAILING WAGE APPRENTICE RATES**

Dear Public Official/Other Interested Parties:

CRAFT: Apprentice Plumber

CLASSIFICATION: Apprentice Plumber, Pipefitter, Steamfitter (All Shifts)

LOCALITIES: All localities within Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Ventura Counties

DETERMINATION: 2026-1

The predetermined increase of \$4.03 scheduled to take effect on September 1, 2026 has been reduced. The correct predetermined increase is as follows:

Shift 1:

Effective September 1, 2026, there is an increase as follows:

Period 1: \$2.58 allocated to wages and/or fringes.

Period 2: \$3.48 allocated to wages and/or fringes.

Period 3: \$3.83 allocated to wages and/or fringes.

Shift 2:

Effective September 1, 2026, there is an increase as follows:

Period 1: \$2.78 to be allocated to wages and/or fringes.

Period 2: \$3.71 to be allocated to wages and/or fringes.

CRAFT: Apprentice Plumber

CLASSIFICATION: Apprentice Plumber, Pipefitter, Refrigeration Fitter (All Shifts)

LOCALITIES: All localities within Inyo, Kern and Mono Counties

DETERMINATION: 2026-1

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Period 1: \$2.78 to be allocated to wages and/or fringes.

Period 2: \$3.71 to be allocated to wages and/or fringes.

CRAFT: Apprentice Plumber

CLASSIFICATION: Apprentice Air Conditioning and Refrigeration (HVAC) Service (All Shifts)

LOCALITIES: All localities within Inyo, Kern and Mono Counties

DETERMINATION: 2026-1

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Period 1: \$2.78 to be allocated to wages and/or fringes.

Period 2: \$3.71 to be allocated to wages and/or fringes.

CRAFT: Apprentice Plumber

CLASSIFICATION: Apprentice Landscape/Irrigation Fitter (All Shifts)

LOCALITIES: All localities within Imperial, Inyo, Kern, Los Angeles, Mono, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties

DETERMINATION: 2026-1

The predetermined increase of \$4.03 scheduled to take effect on September 1, 2026 has been reduced. The correct predetermined increase is as follows:

Shift 1:

Effective September 1, 2026, there is an increase as follows:

Period 1: \$3.45 allocated to wages and/or fringes.

Period 2: \$3.75 allocated to wages and/or fringes.

Periods 3-5: \$4.00 allocated to wages and/or fringes (*see Important Notice dated 8/27/2026 for the modification of the journeyman predetermined increase*).

Shift 2:

Effective September 1, 2026, there is an increase as follows:

Period 1: \$3.67 allocated to wages and/or fringes.

Period 2: \$4.02 allocated to wages and/or fringes.

Periods 3-5: \$4.00 allocated to wages and/or fringes (*see Important Notice dated 8/27/2026 for the modification of the journeyman predetermined increase*).

With the exception of the above modifications, all of the wage rates and other conditions found in the above referenced prevailing wage determinations remain unchanged.