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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO AWARDING BODIES & OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES REGARDING THE RECOGNIZED HOLIDAYS IN THE DIRECTOR'S GENERAL PREVAILING WAGE DETERMINATIONS

Dear Public Official/Other Interested Parties:

Assembly Bill 268 (Stats. 2025, ch. 358) amended Government Code Section 6700 to add the following holiday:

> The 15th day of the month of Kartik in the Hindu lunar calendar of each year, known as "Diwali."

Consistent with the court's decision in *SF Taxpayers' Association et al. v. Newsom et al.,* Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 25WM000231, Diwali will not be enforced as a recognized holiday under prevailing wage determinations that references Government Code Section 6700 in their holiday provisions, pending further judicial review.

Pursuant to California Labor Code Section 1773, when a prevailing rate is not based on a collectively bargained rate, the holidays upon which the prevailing rate shall be paid shall be as provided in Section 6700 of the Government Code.

Please be advised that this notice does not apply to prevailing wage determinations with holidays provisions that are not based on Government Code Section 6700. Please consult the holiday provisions for the applicable craft/classification, county and determination index for further information.