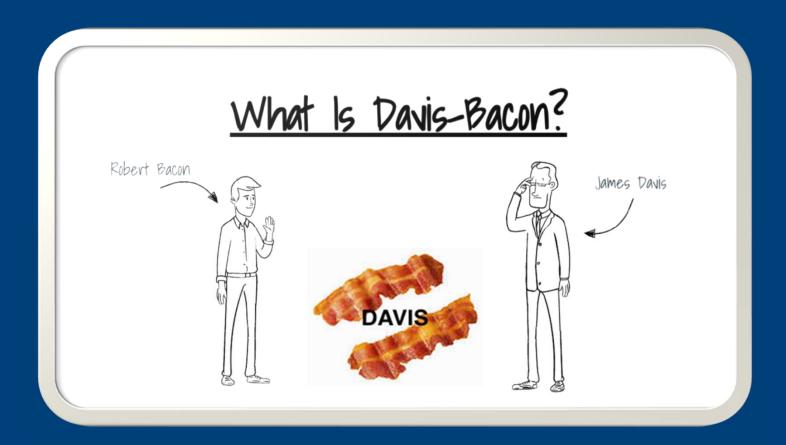
DAVIS-BACON ACT

(PREVAILING WAGES)







- The Act was established in 1931 by its sponsors James J. Davis & Robert L. Bacon and amended in 1935 & 1964.
- Required on all government-funded construction project/contracts in excess of \$2,000.



DAVIS BACON ACT

WHO? WHAT? WHERE? WHEN?

- Laborers & mechanics doing physical work.
- Must be paid fair wages, benefits, and overtime also known as "Prevailing Wage" as determined by U.S. Department of Labor
- Employed directly on the site of work
- Paid at least on a weekly basis





WAGE & FRINGE BENEFITS

- "Wages" & "prevailing wages" include:
 - Basic Hourly Rate (BHR) & Fringe Benefits (FB)
- The prevailing wage obligation may be satisfied by:
 - Paying the hourly rate and fringe entirely as cash wages; or
 - By a combination of cash wages and employer provided fringe benefits
 - Prevailing wages, including fringe benefits, must be paid on all hours worked on the site of work.

• BHR	\$14.00
• <u>FB</u>	\$ 1.00

- Total prevailing wage \$15.00
- The contractor may comply by paying:
 - \$15.00 in cash wages
 - \$14.00 in cash wages plus \$1.00 for FB
 - \$12.00 in cash wages plus \$3.00 for FB



RESIDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- Review General Decision (Wage Rates)
- Have Contractor Request Missing Project Specific Classifications in Elation
- Review & Approve Certified Payroll Reports
- Review Prompt Payment
- Conduct Labor Site Interviews
- Check Contractor Bulletin Board



GENERAL DECISION WAGE RATES

- A list of classifications and wages must be in the contract bid book to show the prevailing wage rates to be paid for each worker classification.
- General Decision(s) should also be in Elation.
- Federal General Decisions can be found at: https://sam.gov/content/wage-determinations



ADDITIONAL CLASSIFICATIONS

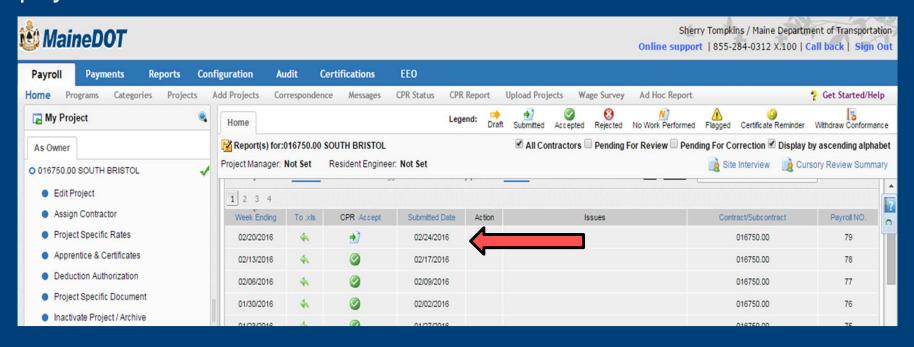
- The General Decision doesn't always list all classifications and wage rates.
- The prime contractor must request missing classifications in Elation.
 - Sub can submit request to prime contractor who then submits to MaineDOT.

PROJECT SPECIFIC WAGE RATE REQUEST

- MaineDOT will review and tentatively approve the contractor's request in Elation, then forward the request to U.S. Department of Labor.
- Once US DOL sends back either approval or denial, the results will be sent to the contractor and project resident via e-mail and uploaded in Elation.
- US DOL decision must be posted on the job-site bulletin board immediately.

CERTIFIED PAYROLL REPORTS

- Certified Payroll Reports (CPRs) must be checked regularly.
 - Elation will perform basic checks, but there is no substitute for on-site observations.
- Duties performed and hours worked by covered workers must be consistent with contractor CPRs and with what workers report in payroll interviews.



PAYROLL DISCREPANCIES



- indicates that there is a discrepancy in the rate of pay for a worker.
- ullet indicates that there was a calculation error.
- Should payrolls having either of these symbols be approved?



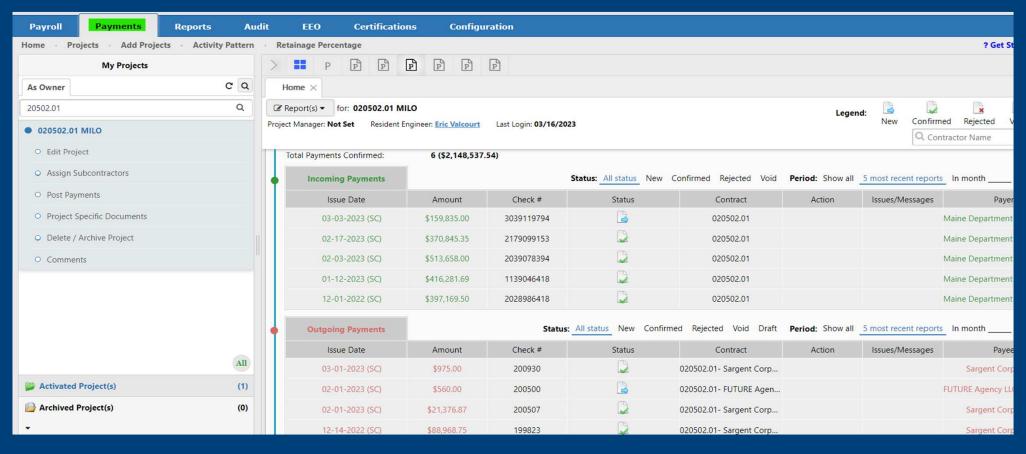
PAYROLL DISCREPANCIES



- No payrolls should be approved until the issues causing these symbols have been corrected.
- The contractor/subcontractor should make necessary corrections.
- Notes to the payroll, restitution payments and verification uploads.
- Any questions or concerns, please reach out.



PROMPT PAYMENT



Payment Tab – If payments are in the system with a blue arrow, they are pending to be approved. The resident should remind the contractor to confirm payment and tell all subs to do the same.



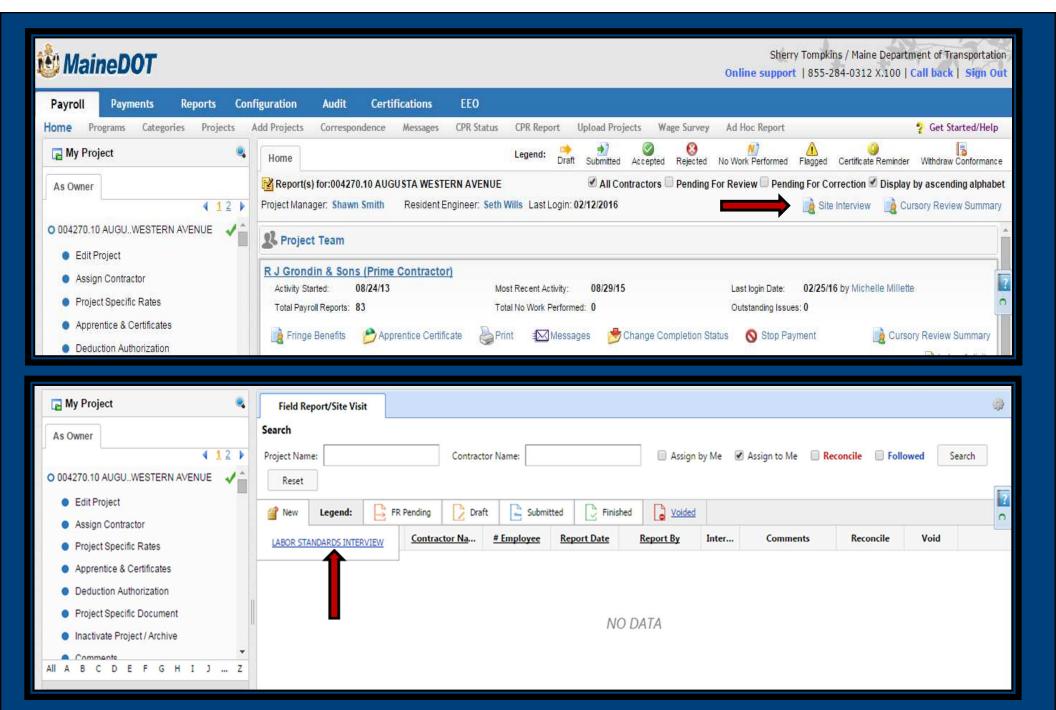
LABOR SITE INTERVIEWS

- Conducted every 90 days with 2 workers
 - from prime contractor and every subcontractor
 - on site 5 or more days during a 90-day period
 - Does not have to be consecutive days
- Interviews are confidential & voluntary. They should be conducted in person, on the job site.
- Both parties must sign the form.



LABOR SITE INTERVIEW

- Compare information gathered.
- Address any apparent discrepancies immediately.
- Contact the MaineDOT Civil Rights Office for assistance or clarification, if needed.







- Above: Enter information in the yellow boxes.
- Below: If you are having workers fill out the form on-site, be sure to upload the form by clicking "Attach File".







THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT!

- Much easier! Eliminate Paper! No more uploading!
- Signatures can be done with your finger or a stylus.
- Can be used on your cell phone or tablet/iPad.
- Available for both Apple and Android devices.





JOB SITE BULLETIN BOARD

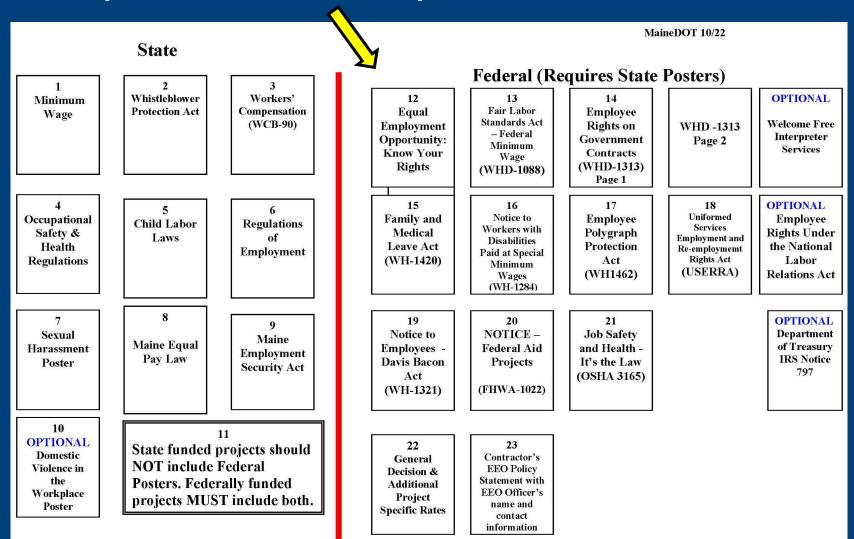
- Must be put up by first day of construction activity.
- Must be accessible to workers and public, 24/7.
- Usually kept outside the field office or similar place.
- Must remain readable throughout a project.





https://www.maine.gov/mdot/civilrights/sfp/

As of October 17, 2022, poster #12 is new. The "Know your Rights" poster replaces the "It's the Law" poster.





CONTRACTOR'S GUIDE TO DBA

CIVIL RIGHTS OFFICE WEBSITE:

http://www.maine.gov/mdot/civilrights/

- Click on Davis-Bacon Act & Labor Compliance
- Scroll to MaineDOT Contractor's Guide to Davis Bacon
- Choose either PDF or Word



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