


CERTIFICATION OF PREVAILING HOURS OF LABOR AND  
WAGE RATES IN AITKIN, COOK, CARLTON, ITASCA,  
LAKE, ST. LOUIS AND STEARNS COUNTIES FOR ALL  
CLASSES OF LABOR AND MECHANICS COMMONLY EMPLOYED  
IN HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION.

CERTIFIED PURSUANT TO LAWS OF MINNESOTA 1973 CHAPTER 724

TO: MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

FROM: MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY

CERTIFIED BY:

  
HARRY D. PETERSON, COMMISSIONER

DATE: December 17, 1979

PREVAILING HOURS OF LABOR

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BASIC WAGE  
RATE PERHOURH & WVAC.PENSIONTRNG.Code No. and ClassificationLaborers

381	Flagperson	6.35	.35	-	.20	-
417	Pipelayer	8.70	.35	-	.15	-
463	Unskilled Laborer	8.25	.35	-	.15	-

Power Equipment Operators

503	Asphalt, bituminous stabilizer plant operator	8.79	.35	-	.20	-
507	Bituminous spreader & finishing operator (power)	8.49	.35	-	.20	-
508	Bituminous spreader & bituminous finishing machine operator (helper) (power)	8.49	.35	-	.20	-
519	Crushing plant operator (gravel & stone) or gravel washing, crushing & screening plant operator	8.49	.35	-	.20	-
539	Front end loader operator, all types 30 h.p. and over	10.25	.70	-	.55	.05
541	Grader or motor patrol, finishing earthwork and bituminous	8.79	.35	-	.20	-
557	Mechanic or Welder	8.49	.35	-	.20	-
565	Power shovels and/or other equip- ment with shovel type controls, up to 3½ cu. yards	11.35	.70	-	.55	.05
576	Roller operator, over 6 tons for bituminous finishing and/or wearing courses	8.49	.35	-	.20	-
579	Rubber-tired farm tractor, back hoe attachment	6.75	-	-	-	-
581	Shouldering machine operator (power) (Aspco or similar type)	7.83	.35	-	.20	-
588	Tractor operator, D2, TD6, or similar h.p. with power takeoff	7.00	-	-	-	-
589	Tractor operator, over D2, TD6, or similar h.p. with power takeoff	11.13	.70	-	.55	.05

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Power Equipment Operators (cont.)

591 Tractor operator, over 50 h.p. without power takeoff	7.29	.35	-	.20	-
593 Power Actuated Augers & Boring Machine	10.25	.70	-	.55	.05

Truck Drivers

611 Greaser & truck serviceman	7.83	.35	-	.20	-
626 Self-propelled Packer Operator	7.83	.35	-	.20	-
633 Tractor Operator (wheel type used for any purpose)	8.16	.35	-	.20	-
662 Single axle or 2 axle unit	8.47	.65	-	.50	-
663 Tandem axle or 3 axle unit	6.00	-	-	-	-
664 Four axle unit	7.83	.35	-	.20	-
665 Five axle unit	7.83	.35	-	.20	-

Special Crafts

*721 Carpenters	12.23	-	-	-	-
*731 Cement Masons	12.13	.40	-	-	-
*752 Ironworkers, reinforcing	11.55	.50	-	.80	.02

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS, WAGE DETERMINATIONS

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<u>Code No. and Classification</u>		<u>BASIC WAGE RATE PER HOUR</u>				
		<u>H &amp; W</u>	<u>VAC.</u>	<u>PENSION</u>	<u>TRNG.</u>	
<u>Laborers</u>						
305	Bituminous, raker, floater and utility man	9.48	.40	.50	.45	-
363	Dumper	9.23	.40	.50	.45	-
381	Flagperson	7.88	.40	.50	.45	-
417	Pipelayer	9.48	.40	.50	.45	-
463	Unskilled Laborer	9.13	.40	.50	.45	-
<u>Power Equipment Operators</u>						
507	Bituminous spreader & finishing operator (power)	11.13	.70	-	.60	.05
508	Bituminous spreader & bituminous finishing machine operator (helper) (power)	10.25	.70	-	.60	.05
530	Front end loader operator up to & including 1 cu. yd.	10.25	.70	-	.60	.05
539	Front end loader operator, all types 30 h.p. and over	11.13	.70	-	.60	.05
541	Grader or motor patrol, finishing, earthwork and bituminous	11.35	.70	-	.60	.05
542	Grader operator (motor patrol)	10.25	.70	-	.60	.05
557	Mechanic or Welder	11.13	.70	-	.60	.05
573	Roller operator, self-propelled roller for compaction including stabilized base	10.25	.70	-	.60	.05
576	Roller operator, over 6 tons for bituminous finishing and/or wearing courses	11.13	.70	-	.60	.05
577	Scraper, 32 cu. yds. & over	11.23	.70	-	.60	.05
579	Rubber-tired farm tractor, back hoe attachment	11.13	.70	-	.60	.05
588	Tractor operator, D2, TD6, or similar h.p. with power takeoff	10.25	.70	-	.60	.05
589	Tractor operator, over D2, TD6, or similar h.p. with power takeoff	11.13	.70	-	.60	.05
591	Tractor operator, over 50 h.p. without power takeoff	11.13	.70	-	.60	.05

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	<u>RATE PER HOUR</u>	<u>H &amp; W</u>	<u>VAC.</u>	<u>PENSION</u>	<u>TRNG.</u>
<u>Truck Drivers</u>					
663 Tandem axle or 3 axle unit	9.85	.65	-	.50	-
664 Four axle unit	9.95	.65	-	.50	-
665 Five axle unit	10.35	.65	-	.50	-
<u>Special Crafts</u>					
721 Carpenters	10.93	.40	.50	.40	-
*731 Cement Masons	12.13	.40	-	-	-

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		<u>RATE PER</u>				
		<u>HOURLY</u>				
<u>Laborers</u>						
381	Flagperson	7.88	.40	.50	.45	-
463	Unskilled laborer	8.00	-	-	-	-
<u>Power Equipment Operators</u>						
519	Crushing plant operator (gravel & stone) or gravel washing, crushing & screening plant operator	11.43	.70	-	.55	.05
538	Front end loader operator (under 30 h.p. rubber tired)	11.43	.70	-	.55	.05
539	Front end loader operator, all types 30 h.p. and over	10.27	-	-	-	-
542	Grader operator (motor patrol)	10.55	.70	-	.55	.05
573	Roller operator, self-propelled roller for compaction including stabilized base	10.55	.70	-	.55	.05
579	Rubber-tired farm tractor, back hoe attachment	10.27	.70	-	.55	.05
589	Tractor operator, over D2, TD6, or similar h.p. with power takeoff	11.43	.70	-	.55	.05
<u>Truck Drivers</u>						
663	Tandem axle or 3 axle unit	9.85	.65	-	.50	-
<u>Special Crafts</u>						
	Boilermakers	12.77	1.275	.25	1.00	.05
*721	Carpenters	10.58	.40	.75	.50	-
*731	Cement Masons	12.13	.40	-	-	-
773	Plumbers	9.00	-	-	-	-

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		<u>HOUR</u>	<u>H &amp; W</u>	<u>VAC.</u>	<u>PENSION</u>	<u>TRNG.</u>
<u>Laborers</u>						
381	Flagperson	6.60	.41	-	.28	-
417	Pipelayer	9.43	-	-	-	-
463	Unskilled Laborer	7.00	-	-	-	-
<u>Power Equipment Operators</u>						
503	Asphalt, bituminous stabilizer plant operator	10.63	.55	-	.50	.05
507	Bituminous spreader & finishing operator (power)	9.35	.41	-	.28	-
508	Bituminous spreader & bituminous finishing machine operator (helper) (power)	9.35	.41	-	.28	-
519	Crushing plant operator (gravel & stone) or gravel washing, crushing & screening plant operator	11.13	.70	-	.55	.05
539	Front end loader operator, all types 30 h.p. and over	11.35	.70	-	.55	.05
541	Grader or motor patrol, finishing earthwork and bituminous	11.35	.70	-	.55	.05
542	Grader operator (motor patrol)	10.25	.70	-	.55	.05
546	Greaser (truck & tractor)	8.65	.41	-	.28	-
557	Mechanic or Welder	11.13	.70	-	.55	.05
561	Oilers (power shovel, crane, dragline)	9.75	.70	-	.55	.05
565	Power shovels and/or other equipment with shovel type controls, up to 3½ cu. yds.	11.71	.70	-	.55	.05
572	Mole operator including power supply	11.35	.70	-	.55	.05
575	Roller operator, up to & including 6 tons for bituminous finishing and/or wearing courses	10.25	.70	-	.55	.05
576	Roller operator, over 6 tons for bituminous finishing and/or wearing courses	11.13	.70	-	.55	.05



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<u>Power Equipment Operators (cont.)</u>						
577	Scraper, 32 cu. yds. & over	11.23	.70	-	.55	.05
579	Rubber-tired farm tractor, back hoe attachment	7.00	-	-	-	-
585	Turnapull operator (or similar type)	11.13	.70	-	.55	.05
588	Tractor operator, D2, TD6, or similar h.p. with power takeoff	6.25	-	-	-	-
589	Tractor operator, over D2, TD6, or similar h.p. with power takeoff	11.23	.70	-	.55	.05
591	Tractor operator, over 50 h.p. without power takeoff	8.07	.41	-	.28	-
594	Truck crane operator	11.35	.70	-	.55	.05
<u>Truck Drivers</u>						
601	Bituminous Distributor Driver	8.10	.35	-	.20	-
662	Single axle or 2 axle unit	4.00	-	-	-	-
663	Tandem axle or 3 axle unit	9.85	.65	-	.50	-
665	Five axle unit	9.02	.41	-	.28	-
<u>Special Crafts</u>						
721	Carpenters	11.03	.40	.30	.50	-
731	Cement Masons	11.45	.40	-	-	-
741	Electricians	11.81	4%	-	6%	1½%
752	Ironworkers, reinforcing	11.55	.50	-	.80	.02

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		<u>HOUR</u>	<u>H &amp; W</u>	<u>VAC.</u>	<u>PENSION</u>	<u>TRNG.</u>
<u>Laborers</u>						
372	Drill runner	9.43	.40	.50	.45	-
381	Flagperson	7.88	.40	.50	.45	-
417	Pipelayer	9.48	.40	.50	.45	-
423	Powderman	9.63	.40	.50	.45	-
463	Unskilled Laborer	9.13	.40	.50	.45	-
<u>Power Equipment Operators</u>						
546	Greaser (truck & tractor)	10.05	.70	-	.55	.05
557	Mechanic or Welder	11.43	.70	-	.55	.05
577	Scraper, 32 cu. yds. & over	11.52	.70	-	.55	.05
579	Rubber-tired farm tractor, back hoe attachment	11.43	.70	-	.55	.05
589	Tractor operator, over D2, TD6, or similar h.p. with power takeoff	11.43	.70	-	.55	.05
	Blaster	11.43	.70	-	.55	.05
	Skidder	10.93	.70	-	.55	.05
<u>Truck Drivers</u>						
663	Tandem axle or 3 axle unit	9.85	.65	-	.50	-
665	Five axle unit	10.35	.65	-	.50	-
<u>Special Crafts</u>						
721	Carpenters	10.58	.40	.75	.50	-
731	Cement Masons	11.845	.40	-	-	-
773	Plumbers	11.00	-	-	-	-

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<u>Laborers</u>					
367 Dumper	9.13	.40	.50	.45	-
305 Bituminous, raker, floater and utility man	9.48	.40	.50	.45	-
315 Bottom man or ditchman	9.23	.40	.50	.45	-
347 Concrete shoveler, tamper and puddler	9.23	.40	.50	.45	-
372 Drill runner	9.43	.40	.50	.45	-
374 Drill runner wagon drill or churn drill	9.43	.40	.50	.45	-
376 Drill runner helper	5.00	-	-	-	-
381 Flagperson	7.88	.40	.50	.45	-
384 Formsetter, curb, walk and pavement	9.23	.40	.50	.45	-
394 Jackhammer	6.57	-	-	-	-
417 Pipelayer	9.48	.40	.50	.45	-
423 Powderman	9.63	.40	.50	.45	-
426 Power Buggy Operator	9.23	.40	.50	.45	-
463 Uncommon Laborer	9.13	.40	.50	.45	-
<u>Power Equipment Operators</u>					
501 Air compressor operator	8.97	.70	-	.55	.05
503 Asphalt, bituminous stabilizer plant operator	9.68	.41	-	.28	-
507 Bituminous spreader & finishing operator (power)	9.50	.70	-	.55	.05
508 Bituminous spreader & bituminous finishing machine operator (helper) (power)	8.97	.70	-	.55	.05
519 Crushing plant operator (gravel & stone) or gravel washing, crushing & screening plant operator	9.50	.70	-	.55	.05
538 Front end loader operator (under 30 h.p. rubber tired)	8.97	.70	-	.55	.05

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<u>Power Equipment Operators (cont.)</u>					
539 Front end loader operator, all types 30 h.p. and over	9.50	.70	-	.55	.05
541 Grader or motor patrol, finishing, earthwork and bituminous	9.72	.70	-	.55	.05
542 Grader operator (motor patrol)	8.97	.70	-	.55	.05
543 Power Actuated Horizontal boring machine over 6"	11.15	.50	-	.55	-
553 Loader Operator (Barber Green or similar type)	9.50	.70	-	.55	.05
556 Master Mechanic	9.72	.70	-	.55	.05
557 Mechanic or Welder	9.50	.70	-	.55	.05
561 Oilers (power shovel, crane, dragline)	8.57	.70	-	.55	.05
564 Power shovels and/or other equipment with shovel type controls, 3½ cu. yds. & over	10.37	.70	-	.55	.05
565 Power shovels and/or other equipment with shovel type controls, up to 3½ cu. yds.	9.72	.70	-	.55	.05
567 Pugmill Operator	9.50	.70	-	.55	.05
573 Roller operator, self-propelled roller for compaction including stabilized base	8.97	.70	-	.55	.05
576 Roller operator, over 6 tons for bituminous finishing and/or wearing courses	9.50	.70	-	.55	.05
579 Rubber-tired farm tractor, back hoe attachment	9.50	.70	-	.55	.05
585 Turnapull operator (or similar type)	9.50	.70	-	.55	.05
588 Tractor operator, D2, TD6, or similar h.p. with power takeoff	8.97	.70	-	.55	.05
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591 Tractor operator, over 50 h.p. without power takeoff	9.50	.70	-	.55	.05
593 Power Actuated Augers and Boring Machine	8.97	.70	-	.55	.05
594 Truck crane operator	9.72	.70	-	.55	.05
599 Power Actuated Jacks	10.15	.50	-	.55	-
Sandblasting Operator	13.75	-	-	-	-
Bituminous Grinder	10.05	.55	-	.50	.05
<u>Truck Drivers</u>					
601 Bituminous Distributor Driver	8.65	.41	-	.28	-
603 Bituminous Distributor Driver (one man operation)	9.85	.65	-	.50	-
611 Greaser & truck serviceman	8.20	.41	-	.28	-
662 Single axle or 2 axle unit	9.65	.65	-	.50	-
664 Four axle unit	9.95	.65	-	.50	-
663 Tandem axle or 3 axle unit	9.85	.65	-	.50	-
665 Five axle unit	10.35	.65	-	.50	-
<u>Special Crafts</u>					
*721 Carpenters	11.53	.40	.30	-	-
731 Cement Masons	12.13	.40	-	-	-
741 Electricians	11.81	4%	-	6%	1½%
*752 Ironworkers, reinforcing	11.55	.50	-	.80	.02
761 Painters	11.00	-	-	-	-

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<u>Laborers</u>						
	Mulching Machine	8.20	.60	.40	.35	-
315	Bottom man or ditchman	9.60	.55	.40	.35	-
372	Drill runner	8.57	-	-	-	-
384	Formsetter, curb, walk and pavement	8.90	.55	.40	.35	-
417	Pipelayer	9.95	.55	.40	.35	-
418	Pipehandler	9.60	.55	.40	.35	-
463	Unskilled laborer	8.85	.55	.40	.35	-
463	Unskilled laborer (sod layer)	7.75	.60	.40	.45	-
<u>Power Equipment Operators</u>						
502	Crane Operator with 135' Boom, excluding jib	10.37	.70	-	.55	.05
507	Bituminous spreader & finishing operator (power)	8.00	-	-	-	-
508	Bituminous spreader & bituminous finishing machine operator (helper) (power)	9.00	-	-	-	-
517	Dragline and/or other similar equipment with shovel type controls, 3 cu. yds. & over mfg. rated capacity	9.72	.70	-	.55	.05
530	Front end loader operator up to and including 1 cu. yd.	7.50	-	-	-	-
539	Front end loader operator, all types 30 h.p. and over	9.50	.70	-	.55	.05
541	Grader or motor patrol, finishing, earthwork and bituminous	8.50	-	-	-	-
542	Grader operator (motor patrol)	11.43	.50	-	.55	-
553	Loader Operator (Barber Green or similar type)	9.72	.70	-	.55	.05
557	Mechanic or Welder	8.00	-	-	-	-
561	Oilers (power shovel, crane, dragline)	8.57	.70	-	.55	.05

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		BASIC WAGE RATE PER HOUR	H & W	VAC.	PENSION	TRNG.
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<u>Power Equipment Operators (cont.)</u>						
573	Roller operator, self-propelled roller for compaction, including stabilized base	6.50	-	-	-	-
576	Roller operator, over 6 tons. for bituminous finishing and/or wearing courses	8.00	-	-	-	-
577	Scraper, 32 cu. yds. & over	11.43	.50	-	.55	-
579	Rubber-tired farm tractor, back hoe attachment	8.50	-	-	-	-
588	Tractor operator, D2, TD6, or similar h.p. with power takeoff	11.43	.50	-	.55	-
589	Tractor operator, over D2, TD6, or similar h.p. with power takeoff	8.50	-	-	-	-
593	Power Actuated Augers & Boring Machine	8.97	.70	-	.55	.05
594	Truck crane operator	9.05	.35	-	.20	-
	Sandblasting machine	9.00	-	-	-	-
	Forklift (sod laying)	5.75	-	-	-	-
<u>Truck Drivers</u>						
626	Self-propelled packer operator	5.20	.15	-	.15	-
662	Single axle or 2 axle unit	8.47	.65	-	.50	-
663	Tandem axle or 3 axle unit	7.50	-	-	-	-
663	Tandem axle or 3 axle unit (sod laying)	7.50	.65	-	.50	-
664	Four axle unit	7.50	-	-	-	-
665	Five axle unit	7.10	-	-	-	-
<u>Special Crafts</u>						
721	Carpenters	9.08	.35	-	.20	-
731	Cement Masons	10.25	-	1.00	.25	-
741	Electricians	10.00	7%	10½%	6%	3/4%



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	<u>RATE PER</u>	<u>H &amp; W</u>	<u>VAC.</u>	<u>PENSION</u>	<u>TRNG.</u>
	<u>HOUR</u>				
<u>Special Crafts (cont.)</u>					
752 Ironworkers, reinforcing	9.08	.35	-	.20	-
753 Ironworkers, structural	9.08	.35	-	.20	-
761 Painters	11.00	-	-	-	-

NOTICE TO BIDDERS, WAGE DETERMINATIONS

The wage determinations include classifications which the Commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industry has determined to be the classes of labor and mechanics commonly employed in highway construction work. Additional classifications may develop between certifications by the Commissioner. Therefore, no inference may be drawn from the omission of classifications which have local usage. Further, the State will not be liable for increased labor costs if and when additional classifications are subsequently required or wage rates increase prior to the awarding of contracts.

PREVAILING HOURS OF LABOR

The "prevailing hours of labor" for all classes of laborers and mechanics to be employed on State contract highway construction work are eight hours per day and forty hours per calendar week.