

SF 1444 Instructions

Request for Additional Classification and Wage Rate Form

Attached is a copy of the federal standard form 1444, Request for Authorization of Additional Classification and Wage Rate. This form must be submitted when a wage classification is not listed on the applicable wage decision. The classification and wage rate submitted on the form should bear a reasonable likeness to similar skill classifications listed in the federal wage determination.

The prime contractor is responsible for the completion and submission of this form. The following are the procedures for the completion and submission of the form:

1. Check "Construction Contract" in the upper right-hand corner.
- Box 2. Insert the following information:
Water Infrastructure Finance Authority of Arizona (WIFA)
100 N 15th Ave, Suite 103
Phoenix, AZ 85007
- Box 3. Prime contractor's name.
- Box 4. Date the prime contractor submitted the form to WIFA.
- Box 5. Contract number.
- Box 6. Date the bid was opened, if applicable.
- Box 7. Date the contract was awarded.
- Box 8. Actual date the contractor will be starting or started work.
- Box 9. (This box is not applicable.)
- Box 10. List all subcontractors that will utilize the labor classification listed in box 13a. If none, enter "N/A."
- Box 11. Project title and a brief description of the project.
- Box 12. Include both the city and county, as well as Arizona.
- Box 13. Federal "General Decision Number" (e.g. AZ00009) and the date.
- Box 13a. List all classifications not covered by the federal wage determination, which are utilized by either the prime or the subcontractor(s).
- Box 13b. The wage rate should bear a reasonable likeness to the category classification wage rates (equipment operators, laborers, truck drivers, etc.) listed in the federal wage determination.
- Box 13c. The fringe rate should bear a reasonable likeness to the category classification fringe rates (equipment operators, laborers, truck drivers, etc.) listed in the federal wage determination.
- Box 14. If there is a subcontractor listed on line 10, its representative signs on this line.
- Box 15. The prime contractor's representative must sign on this line.
- Box 16. If the contractor has a specific employee who will be performing the labor classification(s) listed in box 13a, or if the employees' have legal representation (union, etc.), they should sign this line and include their title. If no specific employee is identified to perform work under the listed classification(s), then write "unknown" in the box. The "Agree" or "Disagree" boxes are checked by anyone signing in boxes 14, 15, and 16.

The contractor will make a copy of the completed signed form and submit the original to WIFA (not required to be in quadruplicate).

WIFA will complete the section below the heavy line TO BE COMPLETED BY CONTRACTING OFFICER and submit it to DOL and EPA. Typically DOL responds in 30 days. WIFA will send the borrower a copy of the approved wage classification.