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Memorandum

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DEPUTY DISTRICT DIRECTORS, Construction To: **DEPUTY DIVISION CHIEF, Structure Construction** CONSTRUCTION MANAGERS SENIOR CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERS **RESIDENT ENGINEERS**

MARK LEJA From: Chief **Division of Construction**

Subject: Worker Certification Requirements

Section 7-1.01, "Laws to Be Observed," of the *Standard Specifications* requires contractors to be fully informed of and to comply with all laws, regulations, and ordinances affecting the labor, materials, or conduct of the work. This requirement includes any necessary certifications for workers such as crane operators, industrial hygienists, or electricians.

The responsibilities of resident engineers and field staff regarding the contractor's observance of laws, regulations, and ordinances are described in Section 3-701, "Laws to Be Observed," of the *Construction Manual*. The requirements of Section 3-701 are not intended to require engineers to enforce laws in instances where the Department of Transportation has no legal authority to do so. If the engineer learns that a contractor has violated a work-related law or regulation, the engineer must bring the matter to the contractor's attention in writing. Requests for verification of documents should occur only when an apparent violation comes to the attention of the resident engineer or field staff.

If you have questions or comments regarding this directive, please contact Angela Shell, Division of Construction at (916) 654-3501.