

## AASHTOWare Project Civil Rights & Labor™ Quick Reference Guide for TDOT

# 7 | Agency Review for Payrolls

Additional contractor payroll Quick Reference Guides and Computer Based Training files are available from TDOT.

## **Background:**

- This process is applicable to TDOT Office Staff in AASHTOWare Project Civil Rights & Labor.
- A payroll is a vendor's reporting of wages paid to employees for a given period of time for a specific agency contract.
- Payroll exceptions are irregularities discovered in a contractor's certified payroll. The first time a certified payroll is put in 'Under Agency Review' status, the system runs a series of validation checks to verify that the data in the payroll is valid. If one of these validations is not met, the system generates a payroll exception.
- An employee mismatch is a payroll exception due to a mismatch between a payroll employee record and its corresponding reference employee record.
- A payroll record can be progressed and returned as many times as necessary, with as many modifications created as needed. The previous payroll records are kept as historical records.
- If TDOT rejects a payroll from a subcontractor, it is returned directly to the subcontractor. From there, the subcontractor can:
  - Create a modification and submit for the prime contractor to review and return to the agency; or,
  - Provide an explanation for the payroll being correct and send it to TDOT for review again.

## **Review Payroll Status:**

- 1. Log on to AASHTOWare Project Civil Rights & Labor.
- 2. From the Home page, in the Unapproved Payrolls **Quick Find** search box, type the **Contract ID**.
- 3. Locate the payroll you want to review. Click the **Contract** link.
- 4. On the **Certified Payroll Status** page, there may be a few sections to review: **Transitions**, **Exceptions** and / or **Employee Mismatches**.
- 5. Determine whether this payroll record is correct and needs to be approved with an explanation, or if this payroll is not correct and needs to be rejected.

#### **Review Payroll Exceptions:**

This step should be repeated for each payroll exception as applicable.

- 1. On the **Certified Payroll Status** page, locate the **Exceptions** section.
- Click the Expand/Collapse button for the appropriate listed exception.
- 3. In the **Agency Comments** field, type comments related to the payroll exception.
- 4. Select the **Vendor Notified** check box to allow contractors to view this payroll exception.
- 5. In the **Exception Resolution Date** field, click the calendar icon and select the date the payroll exception was resolved.
- 6. In the **Resolution Comments** field, type comments related to the payroll exception resolution.
- 7. Click the **Save** button.

## **Generate Report**

- 1. On the **Certified Payroll Status** page, click the component **Actions** button.
- 2. In the **Reports** section, select a report such as **Payroll Exceptions**, or **Payroll Summary**.
- 3. Wait until the system displays step 4 of 5.
- 4. Click the **Execute** button.
- 5. If needed, save or print the report.

## **Approve a Payroll:**

Applicable to payrolls in the "Under Agency Review" phase.

- 1. On the **Certified Payroll Status** page, in the Transitions section, click the **Approve** button.
- 2. In the **Comments** field, type an explanation as applicable.
- 3. Click the **Save** button.

# Reject a Payroll:

Applicable to payrolls in the "Under Agency Review" phase.

- 1. On the **Certified Payroll Status** page, in the Transitions section, click the **Reject** button.
- 2. In the **Comments** field, type an explanation for rejecting the payroll.
- 3. Click the **Save** button.

# **Key to Actions buttons:**







System **Actions** button (At the top of the screen)

Component **Actions** button (On the heading)

Row **Actions** button (On the row)