

MPAC Worksheet

Title: Construction Career Pathways Project

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Purpose/Objective

In greater Portland, there is a lack of diversity in the construction trades. People of color and women face multiple barriers in accessing and sustaining family-wage construction careers. To address these challenges, the Construction Career Pathways Project (C2P2) is bringing public and private stakeholders together across the region to learn more about the problem and identify strategies to provide reliable career pathways – from pre-apprentice and apprentice to journey level – for people of color and women in the construction trades.

Specifically, we hope to:

- inform MPAC about C2P2 and solicit feedback on the project
- share Section 1 (current construction labor pool) findings from the Regional Construction Workforce Market Study and discuss takeaways

We expect to engage MPAC members at a future date to share additional market study findings and takeaways and to discuss policy recommendations that come out of the study.

Action Requested/Outcome

No action is required to take for members at this meeting.

Our intention is to engage MPAC members on the project's background and direction, and solicit feedback on findings from Section 1 – current construction labor pool – of the market study.

Questions for members:

- What questions or feedback do you have on the project's direction?
- What questions do you have on takeaways from the current construction labor pool data?

What has changed since MPAC last considered this issue/item?

This is the first touch point for MPAC members to learn about and discuss the Construction Career Pathways Project.

What packet material do you plan to include?

Included in the packet for the August 9 meeting are the following materials:

- Summary of observations and findings of current construction labor pool from the market study team.