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**TRENTON** – The New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development (NJDOL) reached a settlement with Solidframe LLC of Union City after issuing two stop-work orders against the contractor on April 10, 2026 for multiple labor law violations affecting workers on public works projects at Island Beach State Park and the New Jersey State Library. The employer paid all liabilities owed, and both stop-work orders were subsequently lifted as of April 23.

### Stop-Work Order #1:

**Work Location:** The Nature Center at Island Beach State Park

**Nature of Work:** Upgrades

**Violations:** Unpaid wages/late payment; failing to properly classify employees; improper classification of construction workers; failure to pay prevailing wage; inaccurate certified payroll records; Earned Sick Leave violations.

**Workers Affected:** 7

### Stop-Work Order #2:

**Work Location:** New Jersey State Library in Trenton, N.J.

**Nature of Work:** Interior upgrades

**Violations:** Unpaid wages/late payment; failing to properly classify employees; improper classification of construction workers; failure to pay prevailing wage; inaccurate certified payroll records; Earned Sick Leave violations.

**Workers Affected:** 2

“The violations found at these state sites are exactly why NJDOL’s stop-work order authority exists,” **said Assistant Commissioner for Wage and Hour Compliance Joseph Petrecca**. “We will not allow workers on public projects to be shortchanged, and the swift resolution of this case demonstrates that these enforcement tools work.”

NJDOL has issued 217 stop-work orders since these powers were expanded in July 2019.

Stop-work orders are initiated by NJDOL to halt work being performed in a manner that exploits workers or is otherwise noncompliant with state laws and regulations. An employer may appeal a stop-work order, in which case NJDOL has seven days to schedule a hearing.

NJDOL continues to monitor locations where stop-work orders have been issued and can assess civil penalties of \$5,000 per day against an employer conducting business in violation of the order. The stop-work order may be lifted if and when any remaining back wages and penalties have been paid and all related issues have been resolved.

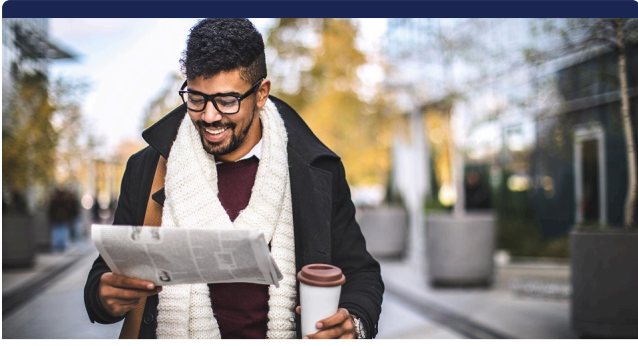
NJDOL maintains a [record of registered public works contractors](#) that should be consulted by any government agency or entity before hiring for a public works project. Doing so can help avoid unnecessary project delays and extra costs to businesses, schools, government entities and taxpayers. The list contains thousands of businesses, and is searchable by name, address, registration date, and certificate number.

In addition, registered public works contractors are required to participate in Registered Apprenticeship programs, which ensure that public funds contribute to the training of New Jersey workers in the construction sector.

For more information on worker benefits and protections, please visit [myworkrights.nj.gov](https://myworkrights.nj.gov).

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