

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS

Craft-Maintenance Division State of California Unit 12
Locals 3, 39 & 501, AFL-CIO

IUOE Unit 12 representatives meet for the second time with the new CalPIA General Manager, Scott Walker about the GFMR Program and our demand to end it – October 15, 2019

Since CalPIA rolled out its nightmare GFMR Program nearly two years ago, under the previous General Manager Chuck Pattillo, it has done nothing but create problems and friction between CDCR Plant Operation staff, particularly the painters and the CalPIA Industrial Supervisors (Maintenance and Repair). From its inception it has been fraught with lies, deception, and failure.

Throughout the entire two years of the program, the union has been constantly lied to and misled about the mechanics of how it would work, the scope of the work, and what would happen at the end of the two-year pilot program.

Given all of this bad past history, we must however give credit where credit is due. The new General Manager, Scott Walker seems to be a straight shooter and listens to our concerns and seems to be leaning towards termination of the program. We are hoping that we can put this chapter behind us and move forward and have a better relationship with CalPIA in the future.

One of the areas we will be looking at in our upcoming Unit 12 negotiations is improving the salaries for all of the CalPIA Industrial Supervisors. In talking with the department, they seem to be having some problems with recruitment and retention which can simply be resolved by increasing the wages for that classification series.

UNION STRONG!

Steve Crouch
Director of Public Employees