

**OLIVEHURST PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT**  
**WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM OPERATOR APPRENTICE**

**DEFINITION**

Under the direction of the Collection System Operator 1 or 2, participates in the activities of wastewater collection system. Performs manual, semi-skilled, and skilled work using mechanical equipment and related tools in the servicing/cleaning, maintenance, inspection, repair and construction of wastewater collection systems and related service activities.

**EXAMPLES OF DUTIES**

Duties may include but are not limited to the following:

- Assist in Maintaining wastewater collection system lines.
- Assist in Cleaning wastewater collection system; open clogged lines; clean manholes, wet wells and lift stations.
- Participate in the operation of line locating and the use of video inspection equipment.
- Assist in Responding to various wastewater related emergencies in the districts infrastructure.
- Operate a variety of heavy equipment including backhoe/loader, dump truck and vacuum truck and have the ability to perform preventative maintenance on the same.

**DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS**

Knowledge of:

- Uses and purposes of general construction equipment.
- Preventative maintenance techniques and procedures.
- Operational characteristics of a wastewater collections system.
- Tools and equipment used in the maintenance of wastewater collection system.
- Safe work practices and regulations.

Ability to:

- Work any shift, holidays, and weekends. Willingness to work overtime.
- Carry out policies of the District.
- Keep abreast of new and changing technology relevant to this position.
- Use initiative and independent judgment.

- Recognize, prioritize, and accomplish needed tasks.
- Respond quickly and effectively in difficult situations.
- Stay abreast of new products and procedures.
- Establish and maintain cooperative working relationships with other employees and the public.
- Communicate clearly and concisely both orally and in writing.
- Obtain California Water Environmental Association Collection System Maintenance Certificate, Grade I.

## **REQUIREMENTS**

- Must have a current and valid class A or B California driver's license with tank endorsement.
- Must be insurable by the District's auto liability insurer.
- Must reside within 20 miles of the OPUD Business Office.
- Meets the physical requirements necessary to safely and effectively perform required duties.

## **SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**

Essential Duties require the following physical skills and work requirements: Working conditions in the field are subject to variations in temperature, and may include wind, rain, and other elements. Requires the ability to differentiate colors, shapes, textures, odors; the ability to maintain mental capacity, which allows the capability of exercising sound judgment and rational thinking under varied circumstances; the ability to see; the ability to communicate orally; requires sufficient hand/eye coordination to perform repetitive movement. Requires ability to work safely out-of-doors in all weather, lift and carry equipment alone frequently weighing up to 50 lbs. and up to 75 lbs with assistance; stand and walk for extended periods, climb, bend, and stoop, grasp and hold objects or tools with full range of motion in wrists and arms; work/traverse on slippery and uneven surfaces; hearing capacity sufficient to understand conversations. Also includes exposure to chemicals, biohazards, heights, confined spaces, weather exposure, trip/fall hazards, power tools, and animals. Requires the ability to operate a motor vehicle.

<p><b>Olivehurst Public Utility District is an <u>equal opportunity employer</u>. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the District will provide reasonable accommodation to qualified individuals with disabilities.</b></p>
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