

## **OLIVEHURST PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT**

### **WASTEWATER OPERATOR-IN-TRAINING**

#### **DEFINITION**

Under direct supervision of the Chief Plant Operator or licensed Operator Grade 3 or above, the positions in this class perform a variety of duties in the operation of a wastewater treatment plant and related facilities and in the maintenance and repair of mechanical equipment and systems involved in wastewater treatment and associated processes.

#### **EXAMPLE OF DUTIES**

- Under direct supervision help maintain the operation of the wastewater treatment facility and assure compliance with all safety and regulatory requirements.
- Under direct supervision reviews Supervisor Control And Data Acquisition (SCADA), process control computer alarms and reports
- Under direct supervision, maintain process controls to comply with NPDES standards.
- Under direct supervision, perform lubrication, packing, cleaning, adjusting and the making of repairs to pumps, valves, gear cases, reduction units, and other mechanical equipment as required.
- Reviews analytical data for trend analyses.
- Responds to customer/citizen complaints and comments both verbally and in writing.
- Maintains positive public relations with emphasis on customer service.
- Performs other duties and assumes other responsibilities as apparent or as delegated.

#### **DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS**

Knowledge of:

- The principles of wastewater treatment plant operations and maintenance; operating principles of valves, pumps, motors, motor control panels, and other plant equipment.
- Basic laboratory tests for wastewater and sludge analyses.
- Safety and hazards associated with wastewater treatment including confined space entry and chemical hazards.
- Regulatory requirements, e.g. Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, California Code of Regulations.

Skill in:

- Recognize, prioritize, and accomplish needed tasks.
- Respond quickly and effectively in difficult situations.
- Effectively work with other employees; problems or concerns.

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.
- Stay abreast of new products and procedures.
- Use a personal computer and job-related software applications.

## **JOB QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

Minimum requirements:

- Possession of a Grade I OIT Certificate for the Olivehurst Wastewater Treatment Facility issued by the state of California within 60 days (OPUD Chief Plant Operator will assist with obtaining this Certificate).
- High School diploma or equivalent.
- Possession of valid California Drivers License.
- Must be insurable by District's auto liability insurer.

Preferred qualifications

- Possession of Class B or above license.

## **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.

**Olivehurst Public Utility District is an equal opportunity employer. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the District will provide reasonable accommodation to qualified individuals with disabilities.**