

SEWER MAINTENANCE WORKER I

DEFINITION

Under general supervision, to perform maintenance, operations, and repair work on the City's sewer and storm collection and distribution systems including motors, pumps, sewer lift stations, sewer lines and sewer mains, meters, and other equipment; to perform a variety of operations, monitoring, maintenance, and repair work on pumps, sewer lift stations, and associated equipment; and to do related work as required. Serves as Disaster Service Worker. FLSA Status: Non-exempt. Bargaining Group: Miscellaneous Unit.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

This is the first working level in the Sewer Maintenance Worker class series. Incumbents perform maintenance, operations, and repair work on the City's sewer and storm collection and distribution systems and also perform a variety of monitoring, maintenance, operations, and repair work on the City's wastewater, storm water, and sewer and storm pump systems. It is distinguished from Sewer Maintenance Worker II by performing less complex work. There is considerable similarity in assignments between Sewer Maintenance Worker I and II, with the skill and knowledge differences based on the level required of incumbents. Incumbents in this class are subject to twenty-four hour "call out" and standby.

REPORTS TO

Sewer Division Supervisor, Sewer Maintenance Worker III, Sewer Maintenance Worker II, or as assigned.

CLASSIFICATIONS SUPERVISED

This is not a supervisory class.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Controls and operates heavy-duty rooting machines, hydra flush trucks, and the roter/vacuum trucks to remove roots, grease, grit, and debris that clog sewer lines and drains; inspects sewer and storm drain lines with closed circuit television equipment; cleans and services rock wells, catch basins and drain lines, and wet wells at lift stations; responds to emergencies involving wastewater overflows and restores service; operates pumping equipment during emergency bypass operations; repairs and replaces sewer lines, storm lines, catch basins, and rock wells; completes work report sheets and records time for work projects insuring that information is properly recorded; cleans and services tools and equipment; uses tripods, cranes, harnesses, hazardous gas/air sensor equipment, and ladders to enter confined spaces; sets up barricades,

safety cones, flag stands, signs, and arrow boards for directing traffic; operates trucks, dump trucks, backhoes, loaders, rollers, and other equipment as required; installs, operates, maintains, and repairs pumps, motors, booster pumps, and control panels; does miscellaneous minor repair and maintenance on automotive equipment, small engine, and equipment; performs street sweeper duties as needed; and performs related duties and responsibilities as required. May be assigned to assist other departments or divisions with maintenance and repairs as needed.

TYPICAL PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Occasionally sit; frequently stand, walk, bend, stoop, kneel, crawl, and crouch; normal manual dexterity and eye-hand coordination; ability to lift and move objects weighing 75 lbs.; corrected hearing and vision to normal range; verbal and written communication; use a variety of hand and power equipment and testing equipment used in the utility system maintenance, construction, and operations; use a computer and telephone.

TYPICAL WORKING CONDITIONS

Work is performed outdoors in varying temperatures and weather conditions; some assignments may be performed in a shop or office; exposure to hazardous materials, smoke, gasses, and fumes; exposure to hazards such as moving machine parts and electrical current; constant contact with other staff.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of:

- Function and characteristics of gravity/pressure on sewer and storm collection systems and their related structures.
- Terminology, materials, methods, and equipment used in construction, maintenance, and repairs of sewer and storm collection systems.
- Operations and maintenance of technical equipment used for sewer/storm collection systems work.
- Confined space entry procedures required to comply with CAL-OSHA standards.
- Safe work practices.

Ability to:

- Operate a variety of complex technical equipment specialized for maintenance of sewer/storm collection systems.
- Understand, follow, and complete oral and written instructions.
- Perform a variety of skilled maintenance and construction tasks requiring prolonged standing, walking, bending, climbing, and/or lifting up to 75 pounds.
- Work in confined spaces and follow confined spaces entry/egress procedures.
- Perform duties in all weather conditions and at any time as needed including nights, weekends, and holidays.

- Work independently or in a crew situation to investigate and resolve sewer and storm complaints using good judgment and tact with irate citizens/customers.
- Establish and maintain cooperative working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.
- Learn first aid and CPR.
- Maintain mental capacity, which allows the capability of making sound decisions and demonstrating intellectual capabilities.
- Maintain physical condition appropriate to the performance of assigned duties and responsibilities.
- Maintain effective audio-visual discrimination and perception needed for making observations, communicating with others, reading, writing, and operating assigned equipment.
- Know and follow laws, rules, regulations, and environmental requirements applicable to operations and maintenance of sewer/storm collection and distribution and pumping systems.

Training and Experience:

- One (1) year of increasingly responsible work experience in operations, monitoring, testing, maintenance, repair, and construction work comparable to Sewer Maintenance Worker I with the City of Atwater.
- Possession of a certificate of completion in the operations and maintenance of wastewater collection systems issued by California State University Sacramento may be substituted for six (6) months of the required experience.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- Possession of a certificate of completion in the operations and maintenance of wastewater collection systems issued by California State University Sacramento, or ability to obtain within six (6) months of appointment.
- Possession of certifications and licenses to meet federal or state regulations as mandated.
- Possession of valid first aid and CPR certification.
- Possession of, or ability to obtain, appropriate certifications and licenses as designated by the City of Atwater.

Education:

- Equivalent to graduation from high school.

License:

- Possession of a valid California Commercial Class "B" driver's license with appropriate endorsements, or ability to obtain within six (6) months of appointment.

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