

HUMAN RESOURCES



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LABOR II - SEWER

Position # 404
Work location: Public Works
Reports to: Supervisor
Rate of Pay: \$12.25 – \$14.25 per hour
Full Time, Non-Exempt. Eligible for overtime

SUMMARY: Under general supervision, perform skilled labor supporting the installation, maintenance, operation and repair of the City's wastewater collection system and performs a variety of related duties, as assigned. This is the full journey-level position within the Wastewater Collection System Labor series. Employees within this position are distinguished from the Wastewater Collection System Labor I by the performance of the full range of duties as assigned. Employees at this level receive only occasional instruction or assistance as new or unusual situations arise, and are fully aware of the operating procedures and policies of the work unit. Positions at this level are flexibly staffed and are normally filled by advancement from the Wastewater Collection System Labor I level.

Essential Functions:

- Perform maintenance and inspection duties on the City's wastewater collection system and lift stations, including, but not limited to, collection lines, junctures, pumps and motors; locate leaks and complete repairs.
- Clean wastewater collection system: operate hydrovacuum truck to flush collection system, open clogs in lines, clean manholes, wet wells and lift stations.
- Operate and maintain line inspection and video equipment to survey lines; televise underground sewer lines, storm drains and sewer laterals; identify blockage and other issues; review plans and specifications for location of lines; perform confined space entries as an entrant, attendant and supervisor; use equipment to determine concentration of hazardous gases and oxygen deficiencies in manholes and other confined spaces.

- Inspect, maintain and operate a variety of heavy construction and maintenance equipment including a dump truck, skiploader, backhoe, trencher, water tank truck, and other related equipment; participate in training staff in the operation of said equipment.
- Inspect and maintain a variety of hand and power tools, assigned equipment, and work vehicles.
- Repair, maintain, and ensure the security of manholes and pump stations; monitor and record lift station operations including flow rates, pump hours, electrical and telemetry problems and SCADA; prepare and maintain a variety of reports.
- Conduct wastewater collection system locates; use locating equipment; accurately read and interpret maps, specifications, drawings, and blueprints.
- Transport wastewater biosolids to appropriate disposal sites; work with disposal site staff to coordinate disposal of material.
- Perform concrete work; raise and perform asphalt patching around manholes; forms, pours and finishes concrete; repair infiltration, sealing and grouting.
- Maintain detailed and comprehensive records related to collection system installation, repair and maintenance activities.
- Oversee and assist contractors accessing the collection system.
- Utilize proper safety precautions related to all work performed.
- Removed weeds and debris from lift stations, storm drains, easements and grounds; spray pesticides or herbicides as needed in collection system.
- Assist plant operations, bypass operations, and cleaning operations in wells, traps, lines, etc.
- Use proper traffic control techniques to provide a safe working environment when working in heavy traffic areas.
- Respond to customer inquiries and complaints regarding sewer overflows and stoppages; provide information to customers regarding the City's policies and procedures related to the duties being performed.
- Requisition maintenance supplies, materials, and equipment.
- Perform related duties as required.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- High school diploma or GED equivalent
- Must possess valid Louisiana driver's license (CDL PREFERRED)
- Basic verbal and better than average writing skills
- Knowledge of all city service lines

Knowledge of:

- Operational characteristics and hydraulics of wastewater collection systems.
- Wastewater collection system preventative maintenance techniques and procedures.
- Tools and equipment used in the maintenance and repair of wastewater collection systems including jet rodder, televising equipment, and hydrovacuum truck.
- Traffic control practices and procedures.
- Procedures to safely enter and perform required duties in confined spaces.
- Hazardous materials identification and proper disposal methods.

- Occupational hazards and standard safety precautions.
- Customer service practices.
- City policies and procedures related to wastewater collection system maintenance and repair.

Ability to:

- Perform complex and difficult tasks supporting the maintenance of the City's wastewater collection system.
- Use and operate hand tools, mechanical equipment and power tools and equipment.
- Read and interpret basic maps and blueprints.
- Operate and maintain sophisticated video inspection equipment.
- Perform heavy manual labor using a variety of mechanical equipment.
- Safely use a variety of insecticides and herbicides.
- Adhere to safe work practices including working with hazardous materials.
- Work nights, weekends, stand-by and emergency call-ins, as needed.
- Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.
- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS (WITH OR WITHOUT ACCOMODATION):

- In field environment, travel from site to site; work in water, underground, in confined spaces and around traffic and heavy equipment; exposure to noise, toxic gases, waste and infectious materials and inclement weather conditions.
- Essential and marginal functions may require maintaining physical condition necessary for moderate to heavy lifting and carrying; bending, stooping, kneeling, crawling; climbing with both legs and arms; standing for prolonged periods of time; and operating motorized equipment and vehicles.
- See in the normal visual range with or without correction; vision sufficient to read computer screens and printed documents.
- Hear in the normal audio range, with or without correction.
- Ability to dig with a shovel or use a rake for at least one uninterrupted hour.
- Ability to reach overhead, in front and downward.
- Ability to lift and carry and load onto a truck or trailer the equivalent of 80-100lb bag of cement or sand.
- Ability to carry and lift overhead so as to put in a dumpster, the equivalent of a full yard size trash bag weighing up to 40lbs.
- Ability to use hand tools such as hammer, screwdrivers, pliers, wrenches, etc.
- Ability to operate power tools such as drills, saws, limb trimmers, etc.
- Ability to sit on and ride/operate a tractor, backhoe, mower, grader, truck, forklift, excavator, for two continuous hours.
- Ability to carry and operate gas powered leaf blowers, weed trimmer, and edger.
- Ability to load equipment such as tractors, backhoes, excavators, mowers, dozers, graders onto trucks and trailers.
- Ability to lift, pull and twist electric cord and hoses for distance of 100 feet.

- Ability to hand write and verbally communicate.
- Ability to ascend and descend a 10 foot ladder and perform jobs while on the ladder such as changing light bulbs, repairing or installing water and sewer lines and drain lines.
- Ability to stoop to read meters, repairs or install water and sewer lines and drain lines.
- Ability to pull the sewer hose for 100 feet.
- Ability to lift 90-120 pounds of pipe to shoulder level.
- Must be able to work in small tight areas such as manholes.

This job description does not necessarily cover every task or duty that might be assigned. Employees may be assigned additional responsibilities as necessary.

To apply for this position, please complete an application of employment referencing [Position #404](#) and email to eleggio@covla.com.

This position will remain open until June 10, 2022.