



Public Works Waste Water Treatment Plant Operator I

Responsible for conducting the operation and maintenance activities within the general areas of wastewater treatment plant, sewer collection system, sewer lift stations and other public facilities as needed.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS AND MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES

- Monitor, test, adjust and maintain the wastewater treatment plant in working order.
- Make periodic rounds to check the general operations of the plant; unplug and clean pumps; remove debris; check operation of pumps.
- Take and record plant operation readings according to prescribed schedules.
- Collect samples for lab analysis; perform lab analysis as required.
- Perform wash down of chambers and clarifiers regular schedule.
- Maintain and operate lift stations and wells.
- Maintain daily logs; report unsafe conditions; record plant operating data as required.
- Provide yard maintenance in watering, mowing and weeding grounds.
- Maintain building in clean and sanitary condition; wash floors and walls; perform light maintenance.
- Perform related duties as assigned

SPECIFIC JOB KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

- Knowledge of laws, regulations, policies and procedures applicable to assigned tasks.
- Knowledge of physics and chemistry related to pumping and chemical tests.
- Knowledge of wastewater treatment plant instrumentation.
- Knowledge of mechanical and piping systems including valves, line-ups, gauges and meters.
- Knowledge of mathematics and chemistry relating to wastewater treatment.
- Knowledge of methods and precautions in storing and handling chlorine and other industrial chemicals.
- Knowledge of self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) maintenance and use.
- Knowledge of record-keeping techniques, computers and data entry techniques.
- Knowledge of health and safety regulations and technical aspects of field of specialty.
- Knowledge of the requirements of maintaining wastewater treatment plant and related facilities in safe and proper working conditions.
- Ability to operate and maintain the wastewater treatment plant and assure plant processes are in compliance with local, state and federal discharge limits and the NPDES Permit.
- Ability to protect the health and safety of personnel, the public, and the environment.
- Ability to operate a variety of hand tools, machinery, vehicles and equipment.
- Ability to communicate technical information clearly and concisely both orally and in writing.
- Ability to maintain accurate log readings and operating information.
- Ability to recognize and respond quickly to operational information.
- Ability to perform plant maintenance and housekeeping work.
- Ability to interpret, analyze and apply new technical information.
- Ability to perform moderately, strenuous physical tasks.
- Ability to read blueprints regarding piping.
- Ability to establish and maintain cooperative and effective working relationships with others.
- Ability to work independently with little direction and to determine appropriate action within clearly defined guidelines.
- Ability to observe health and safety regulations.
- Ability to maintain records and prepare reports.
- Ability to work courteously and tactfully with customers and employees.
- Possess good interpersonal skills and the capacity for teamwork.
- Possess a WA. State Driver's License.
- Possess a valid WA. State Class B Commercial Driver's License (*or within 6 months of employment*).
- Possess a valid WA. State DOE Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator–Group 1 Cert. of Competency.

EDUCATION AND/OR EXPERIENCE

Graduation from high school supplemented by course work in wastewater subjects.

EXCELLENT BENEFITS \$3,278 to \$4,107 *Medical *Dental *Vision *PERS Retirement *Sick leave *Paid Vacation *Paid Holidays *Longevity (after 2 years) *40-hr Vacation cash-out per year

HOW TO APPLY Complete job description and application are available at City Hall or www.cityoftoppenish.us. (1) Application, (2) cover letter, and (3) resume must be submitted to Human Resources 21 West First Ave, Toppenish, WA 98948 no later than 5:00 PM 2/23/18. E-mail applications will not be accepted.

The City of Toppenish is an equal opportunity employer. Women and minorities strongly encouraged to apply.