

FIELD SERVICES WORKER III

DEFINITION

Under direction, performs skilled manual labor in the maintenance and repair of public works including water distribution, drainage, roadways and sewers and/or leads the work of a crew engaged in such work or refuse disposal; performs related duties as required.

DITINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

This class is distinguished from Field Services Worker II by its responsibility to lead the work of others engaged in major public works maintenance projects involving City streets, water delivery systems and substances, or refuse collection; the level of expertise required to perform the work or operate equipment; and the amount of supervision received in the performance of regular assignments.

REPRESENTATIVE DUTIES

The duties listed below are examples of the work typically performed by employees in this class. An employee may not be assigned all duties listed and may be assigned duties which are not listed below.

1. Performs and/or leads the work of others engaged in patching and paving streets, signs and markings, maintaining the water distribution system, sewers, pump stations, storm drains, refuse collection, or traffic signal/street light maintenance in at least one area of specialization as noted below:
 - a. Inspects and cleans sewer lines; makes service connections to water and sewer mains; installs and repairs sewer water mains, water meters and fire hydrants; aligns and sets pipe; installs joint in sewer pipes; installs and checks back flow devices; takes water purity readings and chlorinates water supply; and performs routine cement work.
 - b. Maintains and repairs pump and lift station equipment; trouble shoots electrical problems with equipment and machinery.
 - c. Collects commercial and residential refuse; performs special collection tasks; leads and trains others; assists supervisor in meeting route deadlines and resolving service complaints; and evaluation of potential hazards and problem collection locations.
 - d. Repairs roadways and other asphalt surfaces; skillfully operates and trains/leads others in the use of heavy equipment; lays asphalt and chip or slurry seal; and leads a crew engaged in roadway repair.
 - e. Maintains street markings and signs; conducts traffic counts; and leads crew in operation and maintenance of equipments.
2. Operates light and heavy equipment in the performance of regular assignments which may include vector trucks, slide/front loader refuse trucks, street sweeper, skip loader, dump truck, telemetry equipment, grader, back hoe, liner striper, lift truck and similar equipment.

3. Works with blueprints, work sketches, and/or simple maps; prepares and submits records and reports concerning work performed utility production, water quality and materials used.
4. Ensures work crew is performing in a safe and efficient manner; trains others in skilled operations and work methods.
5. Assists in emergency service and special projects outside area of specification or assignment; provides temporary and vacation relief in similar occupational field as necessary.

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS

Education and/or Experience

Two years of experience in the area of specification (asphalt, sewer, water production, traffic signal maintenance, and/or refuse), performing the full range of duties with the specialty or any combination of training and experience that provides the desired knowledge and abilities.

Knowledge of:

Equipment operation, techniques and methods used in the area of specification; lead supervision and training techniques.

Ability to:

Lead the work of others engaged in the area of specialization; operate equipment used in work performed; read and interpret blueprints, work sketches and specialized maps; prepare records and routine reports; establish and maintain cooperative working relationships; understand and follow verbal and written directions; work safely and efficiently.

Special Requirements

Possession of valid California Driver's License Class B.

Certification in area(s) of specialization may be required.

Physical Demands

Strenuous physical work. Physical demands include frequent lifting of objects over 50 lbs., often combined with bending, twisting, working above ground or on irregular surfaces.

WORKING CONDITIONS

Continuous exposure to unpleasant elements such as dust, fumes, and odors, hazardous materials, dampness, raw sewage, high noise levels, and outside weather conditions. Travel throughout the area is required. Some positions may require use of self-contained breathing apparatus and entering confined spaces.

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