

GROUNDWORKER - IRRIGATION

Classification: Groundswoker - Irrigation

Location: Facility Operations

Reports to: Maintenance Supervisor/Facilities Manager

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

Bargaining Unit: OSEA

This is a standard position description to be used for positions with similar duties, responsibilities, classification and compensation. Employees assigned to the position description may or may not perform all of the essential functions indicated in this position description.

This job description does not constitute an employment agreement between the employer and employee and is subject to change by the employer as the needs of the employer and requirements of the job change.

Part I: Position Summary:

Serves as an irrigation maintenance specialist responsible for operation, installation, inspection, and repair and maintenance of irrigation systems.

Part II: Supervision and Controls over the Work:

Work is performed under the direction of the Grounds Lead. Trade work is performed independently and in conformance with local city, county, and state codes and standards of the profession. Work is reviewed for timeliness, completeness, appearance, code compliance, safety, and established priorities.

Part III: Major Duties and Responsibilities (depending on specific assignment):

Duties include, but are not limited to the following:

1. Reviews blueprints and plans prior to installing and repairing irrigation systems.
2. Plans for irrigation installation and repair including determination of parts and materials and taking action to assure parts and materials are available when needed.
3. Installs, inspects, upgrades, and maintains irrigation systems.
4. Installs, tests, troubleshoots, irrigation booster pumps, and control devices.
5. Sets, programs, and adjusts computerized and electronic components to accomplish a planned irrigation schedule.
6. Cleans, adjusts, and repairs irrigation heads, plastic pipes, and devices.
7. Excavates and refills trenches and drainage areas to install and repair irrigation systems.
8. Coordinates with grounds staff and coaching to assure appropriate sequencing and scheduling.

9. Performs routine grounds maintenance work.

Performs other duties as assigned.

Part IV: Minimum Qualifications:

Incumbents must have successful experience in working with culturally diverse families and communities, or have otherwise demonstrated a commitment to strengthening engagement of a diverse community and skill in communicating with a diverse population.

- Graduation from high school or equivalent.
- Minimum of two years of experience in irrigation system maintenance and repair.
- Ability to utilize office technology to document assigned work, control inventories, initiate service orders, etc.
- Initiative and ability to work with minimal direction; sound judgment and decision making capabilities are essential.
- Knowledge of local codes for irrigation systems.
- Ability to utilize power equipment, heavy equipment, and hand tools appropriate to irrigation work.
- Must possess a valid driver license and a safe driving record and be able and willing to operate district owned vehicles.

Part V: Desired Qualifications:

- Bilingual and bicultural skills.
- Experience in coordinating projects and working with contractors.
- Knowledge about confined space and permit confined spaces.

Part VI: Physical and Environmental Requirements of the Position:

- The physical demands and work environment described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.
- While performing the duties of this job, the employee is frequently required to bend, sit, stoop, twist, reach, talk, move about, hear and speak. Employee is routinely exposed to outdoor weather conditions.

- The employee must occasionally lift, carry, push, and/or otherwise move up to 50 pounds and greater than 50 pounds using appropriate equipment.
- Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus and work with close tolerances.
- Employee is required to update knowledge and properly use safety equipment for the work to prevent injury to self or others.
- Employee may be exposed to toxic fumes and spills from use of chemicals.