

CLASS TITLE: Water Worker III

ACCOUNTABLE TO: Public Works Director

PRIMARY OBJECTIVE OF POSITION: Under general supervision, performs a variety of skilled and semi-skilled tasks to install, maintain, and repair the water distribution system and the sanitary and storm water systems. Work varies, individual judgment within prescribed standards and procedures required.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS: Must become an Operator in Training within the first six months of employment and become a Certified Operator at the earliest permissible date. Certification must be a Montana Class II Water Distribution and Class III Water Treatment. Physical requirements include bending, stooping, walking, climbing, and lifting up to 100 lbs. May perform work in uncontrollable working conditions of heat, cold, and dampness. May be exposed to some chemicals. Must possess a valid Montana Operator's License.

MAJOR AREAS OF ACCOUNTABILITY AND PERFORMANCE: Performs work that includes: maintenance and repair of pipelines, taps, fittings, pumps, storage tanks, control valves, and fire hydrants in the potable water system; maintenance and repair of pipelines, taps, fittings, and manholes for sanitary and storm water system; operates backhoe, front end loaders, and other equipment as appropriate in the excavation, installation, maintenance and repair of systems; makes periodic inspection to detect and then correct leakage, corrosion, faulty fittings, and any malfunctions of mechanical units, meters, and gauges; cleans storage tanks; removes and installs equipment, pumps, valves, and risers; calculates and mixes chemicals and treats water to disinfect or decontaminate pipelines; locates, marks, and records underground facilities; performs other duties that may be assigned.

Maintains daily record of activities and system inventories; responsible for facilities and equipment requiring normal care to prevent damage or injury; contacts with the public are occasional and are incidental to the performance of duties; Physical requirements include bending, stooping, walking, climbing, and conditions of heat, cold, and dampness; May be exposed to some chemicals; work performed often requires care and use of proper safety equipment and procedures to prevent injury.

SUPERVISION – RESPONSIBILITY FOR WORK OF OTHERS: May occasionally supervise the work of others as directed.

EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS: High school diploma or its equivalent supplemented with training related to water work and/or construction. PLUS five years related experience. Must become an Operator in Training within the first six months of employment and become a Certified Operator at the

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earliest permissible date and maintain such Certification. Certification must be a Montana Class II Water Distribution and Class III Water Treatment; Must possess a valid Montana Operator's License.

EXAMPLES OF PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND EXPECTATIONS:

Performs maintenance and repair of pipelines, taps, fittings, pumps, storage tanks, control valves, and fire hydrants in the potable water system.

Makes periodic inspections to detect and then correct leakage, corrosion, faulty fittings, and any malfunctions of mechanical units, meters, and gauges;

Recommends measures to improve methods, equipment, performance, and quality of product;

Locates, marks, and records underground facilities;

Performs other duties that may be assigned.