Job Location – Chariton, IA

Description

The Wastewater Operator will report to the Project Manager. The Wastewater Operator will be responsible for various activities in support of the wastewater treatment plant, collection system and lift stations. The Wastewater Operator performs manual labor and semi-skilled work in the maintenance, operation, repair and construction of the treatment plant and collection system. Duties are performed under the direct supervision of the Wastewater Superintendent.

Wastewater Operator:

• Assists with the O&M of the facilities
• Monitors equipment, meters, gauges and document readings
• Cleans and maintains tools, sampling equipment and lab equipment.
• Assists in keeping site and grounds at plants clean and neat.
• Performs daily equipment checks.
• Responds to emergency calls at all hours.
• Performs work safely in accordance with departmental safety procedures and operates equipment safely. Reports any unsafe work condition or practice to supervisor.
• Performs other related and non-related duties as assigned.

Facility Description

Wastewater treatment plant is a two-stage trickling filter (biotower) plant, pretreatment, primary clarification, solids contact tank, final clarification, UV disinfection, and two stage aerobic digestion, Collection system consists of 150,000 lineal feet of sewer main, six lift stations, and 16,000 lineal feet of force main.

Qualifications

MINIMUM TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE REQUIRED TO PERFORM ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

High school Graduate or GED; Valid Iowa Grade I Wastewater License with the ability to obtain a Grade II within a year. Prior work experience in a mechanical or laboratory setting highly desirable. Operating or working alongside jet truck, tractor or related material handling equipment experience also highly desirable.

Required Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

Knowledge of basic construction and maintenance techniques and practices concerning wastewater operations; Ability to follow oral instructions promptly and accurately; Ability to work in disagreeable conditions; Ability to perform strenuous physical labor; Ability to work as an effective team member; Ability to complete projects in a timely manner.

Work Environment

Work is performed primarily in an outside environment or in shop areas. There is exposure to high equipment noise, chemical fumes, and potential electric and machinery hazards. Field conditions outdoors are varying weather conditions, with varying low to high equipment noise; walking on changing ground surfaces; and there is some driving in various weather conditions.

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