# City of La Feria Job Description

Job Title: WasteWater Plant Operator

Reports to: Water and Wastewater Plant Director

**Full-time: Hourly Employee** 

### **Summary and Objective:**

Water Plant Operator shall operate and maintain the City's water treatment plant and participate in the operation of the water treatment and disposal.

#### ESSENTIAL FUNCTION AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The intent of this job description is to provide a representative summary of the major duties and responsibilities performed by a WasteWater Plant Operator. Incumbent employee may be requested to perform job-related tasks other than those specifically presented in this description. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions of this job.

## **Physical Abilities:**

A City of La Feria WasteWater Plant Operator must possess the following physical capacities to perform essential job related tasks:

- Corrected vision in order to make visual observations of pump stations, grounds and equipment.
- Repetitive bending, twisting, standing, sitting, reaching, walking, stopping, kneeling, crouching, and crawling.
- Walking at work sites on unpaved streets, uneven ground and cluttered work areas.
- Physical labor with lifting of heavy equipment or objects is routine.
- Ability to convey and hear detailed instructions accurately, loudly, and quickly to or from other workers when working near loud machinery.
- Ascending and descending ladders, stairs, ramps requiring the use of feet, legs, hands and arms.

#### **Essential Duties:**

- Operates or controls an entire process of system of machines, through the use of control boards to transfer or treat raw water or liquid waste.
- Operates all mowing equipment and is in charge of the maintenance of the wastewater plant and lift stations
- Be involved with water plant operations with other operators when construction is ongoing.
- Be involved in the mechanics troubleshooting of the mowing equipment and pump motors at the water plant.
- Be involved in the repairs and welding jobs for the wastewater plant.

- Inspects equipment, such as filters, chlorine indicators, basins, filtered water basins, and pumps, to detect malfunctions.
- If applicable, must possess the required licensing or certification standards established by applicable regulatory water agencies concerned as well as maintain and keep current all required licenses and certifications while employed.
- On call for any emergency related to the treatment plants when needed.
- Work in all types of weather conditions including hot, cold and severe weather.
- Work with hazardous chemicals and electricity and around noxious fumes, odors, and dust.
- Work in confined spaces above and below ground with loud machinery and moving equipment.
- Operates equipment and utilizes a variety of hand and power tools to operate, maintain and repair the water supply and distribution and sewer collection and conveyance system.
- Maintain safety and quality in all aspects of job performance.
- Maintain neat and professional appearance and customer focused approach at all times.
- Shall adhere to the City of La Feria Personnel Policy Manual.
- Performs other related duties as required.

## MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS:

High School Diploma or GED equivalent; previous experience in related work environment preferred; fluently speaks and writes English; bi-lingual in English and Spanish is preferred; ability to operate heavy equipment; basic computer knowledge and word processing skills.