

CITY OF RICHARDSON

TOB TITLE: **HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR** APPROVED
DEPARTMENT: Public Services - Water/Wastewater
CLASS CODE: 06002 EFFECTIVE: 08/08/07
CIVIL SERVICE: X NON-CIVIL SERVICE:
COMPETITIVE: X NON-COMPETITIVE:
EXEMPT: NON-EXEMPT: X
FULL TIME: X PART TIME:

JOB SUMMARY:

Under general direction, drive and operate heavy motorized equipment used in the maintenance of a water distribution and wastewater collection system. Perform other related work as required.

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ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

Drive dump truck with backhoe to job location(s). Operate backhoe's hydraulic jackhammer to break pavement. Uncover water or sewer lines; opens trench(s) to install pipe. Assist crews in repairs when needed. Efficiently and safely operate, care for, and maintain acceptable appearance of assigned equipment. Perform daily preventive maintenance on assigned vehicles and equipment. Follow written and oral job instructions. Use good judgment to work safely and use equipment properly. Hear clearly and interpret hand signals correctly when working around equipment and in street and alley traffic, using proper safety precautions. Lift and/or carry up to 100 pounds; pull, push, and/or drag up to 150 pounds of repair equipment or materials, and while hooking up backhoe or other repair equipment. Work in trenches and confined spaces, using appropriate safety precautions. Climb, crawl, kneel, squat, stoop, and/or bend freely when driving, operating backhoe, and participating in repairs. Sit and/or stand for extended periods of time while driving or participating in repairs. Work indoors and outdoors in extreme temperatures, including heat, cold, temperature swings, and inclement weather. Some exposure to mechanical, electrical, and chemical hazards, dust and odors, using proper safety equipment and precautions. Serve on standby crew for after-hours emergency work as required. Communicate courteously and effectively with other city employees, officials, and the public.

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OTHER JOB FUNCTIONS:

Pick up trash; keep storage areas clean and orderly.

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REQUIRED EDUCATION: DEGREES, CERTIFICATES, AND/OR LICENSES:

High School Diploma or GED required. Texas Commercial Drivers License, Class A, required. Class C Wastewater License preferred.

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EXPERIENCE, TRAINING, KNOWLEDGE, AND SKILLS:

Two years experience required in operating heavy motorized equipment. One year of experience required in water/sewer field operations or utility construction for a municipality. Must demonstrate skill in the safe and efficient operation of heavy equipment, by successfully completing an exercise observed by qualified Heavy Equipment Operators and Supervisors. Must have knowledge of: mechanical operation of heavy equipment; safety procedures to follow when excavating; requirements for proper care of equipment; operating equipment skillfully and safely. Must be able to follow oral and written directions.