



City of Klamath Falls

Position Description

Position: Street Equipment Operator I	Group: AFSCME
Department/Div.: Public Works/Streets and Equipment	FLSA: Non-Exempt/Represented
Evaluated by: Streets and Equipment Supervisor	Salary Grade: 111

Summary

An employee in this position works under direct supervision and is expected to perform duties based on instructions or specific objectives received from designated Lead, Streets and Equipment Supervisor, or Streets and Equipment Manager. An employee in this position performs skilled work in operating light to medium equipment, involving considerable manipulative skills. Work assignments are generally given verbally for the more routine duties; special tasks may be accompanied by written work orders. The work is generally performed independently and is checked for compliance with instruction, observation of safe practices, and care of equipment. Must be able to work any shift or hours assigned, including overtime, weekends, on-call periods, and holidays. This is a non-supervisory position.

Distinguishing Career Features

The Street Equipment Operator I may display an eagerness to learn how to operate and maintain various types of vehicles and equipment. Advancement from this position to Street Equipment Operator II requires all “Qualifications” listed on that job description.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Operates vehicles and pieces of equipment including man basket truck (aerial platform), street sweeper, single axle truck, dump body/flatbed with sanders and plows, forklift with man basket, grade tractor (front), front end loader IT (integrated tool carrier) with all attachments except blower, mobile concrete mixer trailer, asphalt recycler, bumper mounted crack seal pot, asphalt tack pot trailer, signs and barricade trailer and air compressors, jack hammer, sand blaster pot.
- Performs minor preventative maintenance and makes minor repairs to equipment and necessary adjustments to controls.
- When necessary, assists an Equipment Operator II in repainting or maintaining traffic markings including thermo plastic applications.
- Generally, operates light to medium equipment used in right-of-way maintenance and repair. Including, but not limited to, manually operated, gas powered, pneumatic powered, and electric powered hand tools and equipment required for maintaining a street right of way.
- Performs work necessary to assist working crews when not actively engaged in vehicle preparation.

- Performs other duties as assigned that support the overall objective of the position.

Qualifications

▪ Knowledge and Skills

The position requires knowledge of light to medium equipment; preventative maintenance and repair of equipment. Setting up and maintaining a safe traffic control plan and work zones. Basic understanding of road construction and pavement maintenance in and out of the right of way, concrete forming, placement and finishing (preferred). Basic understanding of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD); basic computer skills (preferred), to include knowledge of current system(s) used by Streets and Equipment Division. Knowledge of Tapco sign system, Word, Excel, and other basic computer software. Requires skills to safely operate basic hand and power tools and/or construction equipment.

▪ Abilities

Read and interpret documents in the English language, such as safety rules, operating and maintenance instructions, and procedure manuals; write, in English, routine reports and correspondence; add, subtract, multiply, and divide in all unites of measure, using whole numbers, common fractions, and decimals; apply common sense understanding to carry out instructions furnished in written, oral, or diagram form; effectively present information in one-on-one and small group situations to customers, clients, and other employees of the organization; and deal with problems involving several concrete variables in standardized situations. Learn and use basic computer systems for word processing, spreadsheet, data base programs and similar. Must be able to work any shift or hours assigned, including overtime, weekends, on-call periods, and holidays, as directed.

▪ Physical Abilities

The physical demands 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 qualified individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is frequently required to lift and/or move up to 80 pounds and on occasion up to 100 pounds. Frequently to continuously required to sit, use hands and fingers, handle or fell objects, tools, or controls; reach with hands and arms; and talk or hear. Frequently to occasionally required to stand and walk; stoop, kneel, climb, balance, crouch or crawl. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus.

▪ Education and Experience

The position requires a High School diploma or General Equivalency Degree (GED) and at least one (1) year of experience in the operation of power or construction equipment used in electric, street, water, sewer, and/or concrete work.

▪ Licenses and Certificates

Must obtain a Commercial Driver's License, Class B, with airbrake and tanker endorsements within six (6) months of hire date. Must have current medical examiner certification. Must possess and maintain an Oregon Flagger certification and forklift certification.
Preferred: Oregon Commercial Driver's License Class A or B with Tanker's endorsement.

- **Working Conditions**

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable qualified individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. While performing the duties of this job, the employee continually works near moving mechanical parts and is frequently exposed to dirt, dust, fumes or airborne particles, machinery vibrations, traffic hazards and toxic or caustic chemicals, and/or biohazards. An employee in this position must withstand exposure to variable weather conditions, wet, cold, heat and wind. The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate to loud.

- **Pre-Employment**

Job offers for this position are contingent on the individual passing a pre-employment drug screen and a fit-for-duty exam.

The City of Klamath Falls is an Equal Opportunity Employer. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the City of Klamath Falls will provide reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities and encourages both prospective and current employees to discuss potential accommodations with the employer.