

# Sewer Department Laborer Sewer Department

## **JOB SUMMARY**

Under general supervision, participates in the maintenance of the City's wastewater collection system; operates and maintains a variety of motorized equipment and power/hand tools; and performs related duties as assigned.

#### **MAJOR DUTIES**

- Repair, maintain, install and clean sewer lines as assigned.
- Flush sewers; hook up hoses to hydrants; jet sewer lines; shovel and lift out sand, gravel, hazardous materials, and debris from manholes and catch basins.
- Assist in building and repairing catch basins; raise and lower manholes as required.
- Service and maintain assigned vehicles; load and unload required equipment and materials.
- Operate a variety of hand tools and equipment used in sewer work including jetting equipment, pumps, air blowers, tractors, and gas and metal detectors; operate a truck.
- Attend various safety and training meetings as required.
- Perform related duties as assigned.
- Responds to emergency calls at all hours.

## KNOWLEDGE REQUIRED BY THE POSITION

- 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 establish and maintain harmonious working relationships.
- Ability to complete projects in a timely manner.

# SUPERVISORY CONTROLS

Works under the immediate supervision of the Sewer Foreman.

#### **GUIDELINES**

Guidelines include task specific standard operating procedures (SOP's), established Best Management practices, and local, state, and federal rules and regulations. These guidelines are generally clear and specific but may require some interpretation in application.

# **COMPLEXITY/SCOPE OF WORK**

- The work consists of maintaining wastewater flow and line maintenance.
- The purpose of this position is to maintain compliance with the NPDES permit. Successful performance helps ensure permit compliance and lower operating costs.

## **CONTACTS**

- Contacts are typically with Public Works staff including the superintendent and maintenance staff, vendors, outside contractors, general public, and other City departments.
- Contacts are typically to give or exchange information; to resolve problems; to coordinate repairs &

maintenance; seek or provide assistance to other City departments.

## PHYSICAL DEMANDS/ WORK ENVIRONMENT

- The work is typically performed while intermittently sitting, standing, stooping, or walking. The employee
  frequently lifts light and heavy objects, makes variable visual observations including shades of color and
  physical water quality characteristics, listens to equipment for operational sound variances, and sense of
  smell for biological process issues.
- The work is typically performed outdoors and is often required to be performed in inclement weather conditions. The employee is exposed to bio-hazard material, industrial chemicals, engulfment hazards, dust, dirt, and grease.

## SUPERVISORY AND MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY

None.

## MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Ability to read, write and perform mathematical calculations at a level commonly associated with the completion of high school or equivalent.
- Sufficient experience to understand the basic principles relevant to the major duties of the position,
- Possession of a valid driver's license issued by the State of Georgia.