

UTILITY OPERATOR I

EXEMPT (Y/N): No	DIVISION:	Utility Services
SALARY LEVEL: Grid 1, Band 8	DEPARTMENT:	Infrastructure Services
SHIFT: Day	SUPERVISOR:	Utilities Coordinator
LOCATION: Outside		
APPROVED BY: Manager, Utility Services	DATE:	Nov 2021
<i>Replaces: Utility Operator 1</i>	<i>DATE:</i>	<i>Sept 2021</i>

SUMMARY Under the direction of the Utilities Coordinator or designate, the Utility Operator I performs directed manual and machine-assisted work necessary to construct and maintain the waste water and potable water systems owned and operated by the Sunshine Coast Regional District. Work is performed to ensure that service delivery meets the needs of internal and external customers, in accordance with the appropriate regulatory and licence requirements.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES *include:*

1. To assist with the operation, maintenance, and/or construction of the Sunshine Coast Regional District potable water distribution, treatment plants, and supply systems or waste water systems, complying with the SCRD water and sewer subdivision servicing standards, American Water Works Association (AWWA), and all regulatory requirements.
2. To participate in laying to grade water and sewer main pipes as well as service connection pipes.
3. To participate in construction and/or installation of thrust blocks, hydrants, valves, metres, and sewer manholes.
4. To ensure Sunshine Coast Regional District policies, Occupation Health and Safety policies and all applicable WorkSafeBC and all other relevant regulatory requirements are followed.
5. To maintain up to date knowledge applicable to work being supervised, and to comply with and promote safe work practices and procedures in order to promote a safe and healthy work environment.

TYPICAL ACTIVITIES *include:*

1. Repairs, upgrades and replaces damaged pipes, hydrants, valves, metre housings, manholes, and other water works distribution related components, using heavy equipment and power tools as required.
2. Locates and investigates reported water leaks. .
3. Services water hydrants and water line valves, installs services connection pipes.
4. Cleans the water intakes as required.
5. Locates all underground utilities with Metro Tech or other locating devices or contacts and facilitates with other utilities such as B.C. Hydro, Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure (MOTI), Fortis BC, Telus, etc., who may be affected by the work.
6. Communicates with supervisory staff and management to advise work progress and discuss resolution of any problems associated with the completion of work.
7. Unloads, loads and moves supplies and equipment, complete work orders, stock-sheets, records, prepares log records and field sketches.
8. Inspects, monitors and conducts minor maintenance on the potable water systems and wastewater

treatment facilities.

9. Required to respond to off-shift emergency calls, and is scheduled as part of a rotation to provide coverage seven days per week.

QUALIFICATIONS, EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

- Completion of grade 12 or equivalent.
- A minimum of one (1) year of experience in water, waste water operations, preferably in local government at a Class I or higher system/facility.
- Certified in the Environmental Operators Certification Program (EOCP) with a minimum of:
 - Water Distribution Level I, with Level II preferred.
 - Wastewater Collection I preferred
 - Certification as a Chlorine Handler preferred.
- OFA Level I First Aid certificate with transportation endorsement, Confined Space Entry & Rescue certification, Valid fork lift certification, Transportation of Dangerous Goods (TDG) certification.
- Valid BC Class 5 driver's licence with air brake and heavy trailer endorsement.
- Preference may be given to education in a directly applicable discipline such as Water or Waste Water operations from a recognized institution and/or Continuing Education Units (CEU's), as well as experience in surveying, pipefitting, plumbing and layout.

OTHER SKILLS/KNOWLEDGE/INFORMATION

- Knowledge of applicable WorkSafeBC requirements, especially excavations, sloping and shoring requirements.
- Demonstrated ability to operate compressors, pneumatic hammers, compactors, cutters, powered sewer augers, pumps, chain saws or other power or non-power tools.
- The incumbent is expected to support Corporate sustainability and workplace safety objectives