TRINITY BAY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

JOB TITLE: **PLANT OPERATOR**

REPORTS TO: **CHIEF OPERATOR**

DEPT/DIV: **WATER DEPARTMENT**

STARTING SALARY: $20.00 - $25.00 (DOE)

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Until Filled

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Essential Job Functions:

Responsible for the overall operation and maintenance of wastewater or water treatment facilities; assists with operation, maintenance, and service; helps ensure that facility complies with permit limits set by EPA and TCEQ. Observes and monitors equipment and operations daily; assesses problems, diagnoses equipment failures; checks water levels, lift stations, blowers, etc. Assist in maintenance of equipment and facilities to ensure that facility is clean at all times - scrubs and washes down facility daily. Orders supplies as needed to maintain inventory. May provide functional supervision of Operator I and/or Laborer; establishes priorities, determines duties, schedules work, provides training as needed. Performs daily analyses of effluent samples; makes any adjustments necessary to keep facility within permit limits; sets up sampler for required regulatory samples; assures samples are taken to lab for testing once a week. Maintains daily log of data for EPA and TCEQ reports. Completes monthly operating reports on time.

Other Job Functions: Performs other duties as required. *Job description statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by employees assigned to this job title. They are not intended to be construed as an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties and skills required.*

WORKING CONDITIONS

Works inside/outside in all types of weather and during hours of darkness; may be exposed to constant noise, insects, fumes, dust, dirt and odors, untreated sludge, chemicals, polymers, jolting; work is performed in and around water and wastewater facilities; worker is subject to adverse weather and environmental conditions, including temperature extremes, humidity and precipitation; noise and vibration from heavy equipment; exposure to physical hazards from equipment with moving parts, high voltage electrical equipment, hazardous chemicals, bacteria in wastewater; will work in trenches/ditches and on top of tanks; subject to 24-hour call out; works Monday-Thursday 7:00 a.m.- 5:30 p.m., overtime when necessary. Job may require occasional irregular hours, shift work, working alternate weekends, being on call.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

Work is complex and varied and requires the interpretation of technical and detailed guidelines, policies and procedures; also requires ability to gather and interpret data involving analysis of several factors. Knowledge of SCADA systems, basic computer skills and the ability to learn new technology. Works independently under general direction; may participate in setting work objectives. Requires interaction and cooperation to schedule and coordinate work, resolve problems and obtain information. Work requires reaching, lifting, moving and/or carrying hoses, ladders, supplies, motors, pumps, etc.; climbing in and around clarifiers, storage tanks, pipes, driving small truck. Equipment used includes pumps; motors; laboratory test equipment; effluent sampler; tools to repair and

maintain equipment; pickup truck; computer (facilities are computer monitored; may use personal computer to record data, generate reports. etc.); general office equipment as needed.

EXPERIENCE:

Physical Requirements: Essential: Constantly sees and hears; frequently requires moderately heavy physical work, twists body, cleans, climbs, kneels, sits, stands, walks, drives, speaks, reads, makes decisions, pushes, pulls, writes by hand, carries and lifts objects weighing up to 50 lbs., infrequently and uses a calculator.

Education/Experience: Requires knowledge normally acquired through attainment of a high school diploma or GED plus advanced skills and technical knowledge of water and wastewater treatment attained by specialized courses and on-the-job training. Requires directly related work experience in water and wastewater operations and treatment. Preferred but not required to have a Class C Water Surface license.

Other: Must possess a valid Class C driver's license with a good driving record. Other state valid Driver's License equivalent to Texas Class C with a good driving record will be considered. Texas state law requires within 30 days of residency, you must possess a valid Texas driver's license. **Applicant selected for hire will be subject to a background investigation and drug/alcohol screen test.**

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