

UTAH COUNTY JOB DESCRIPTION

CLASS TITLE: EQUIPMENT OPERATOR / SPRAYER
CLASS CODE: 7019
EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/23/2001 (Revised 3/17/98 version)
MARKET POINT: Based on applicable market study

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

JOB SUMMARY

Under direction, performs activities relating to the support of special Public Works projects including Emergency Operations and Vegetation Management/Weed Control.

CLASS CHARACTERISTICS

This is the primary support classification level responsible for special department projects.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Operates equipment including weed and tractor mowers, backhoes, boom truck, sprayers, and winches.

Coordinates safety awareness and noxious weed control programs with County departments, outside agencies, and appropriate individuals.

Issues noxious weed cleanup orders and performs follow-up and inspection to ensure compliance with established standards.

Maintains flood channels and debris basins including cleanup, monitoring for unsafe conditions, and adjusting discharge rates.

Locates, identifies, maps, and analyzes noxious weed patterns throughout the County.

Operates a chain saw for tree removal and trimming.

Maintains daily records of work completed.

ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES MAY INCLUDE

Picks up trash and debris from County roads, streams, and rivers.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

Ability to maintain cooperative working relationships with those contacted in the course of work activities; Skill in reading, writing, and math; Skill in interpersonal communication; Knowledge of the principles and practices of vegetation management and required equipment; Ability to utilize computerized equipment; Knowledge of plant identification; Skill in interpreting maps; Knowledge of safety inspection principles and practices; Ability to remain poised in emergency situations; Ability to operate spraying equipment; and Ability to operate light equipment.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Regularly walk, stand, or stoop; Frequently lift, carry, push, pull or otherwise move objects weighing up to 60 pounds; Ascend or descend ladders, scaffolding, ramps, poles, and the like; Use tools or equipment requiring a high degree of dexterity; Walk, stand, crouch, or run on narrow, slippery, or erratically moving surfaces; Regularly drives a motor vehicle; Work for sustained periods of time maintaining concentrated attention to detail; Need to distinguish between shades of color; and Communicate via radios.

Accommodation may be made for some of these physical demands for otherwise qualified individuals who require and request such accommodation.

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WORKING CONDITIONS

Work exposes incumbent to conditions such as fumes, noxious odors, dusts, mists, gases, and poor ventilation; Work exposes incumbent to possible bodily injury from moving mechanical parts of equipment, tools, or machinery; Work exposes incumbent to hazardous chemicals; Work is performed for sustained periods outdoors and occasionally in hot, cold, or inclement weather; Work requires the use of protective devices such as masks, goggles, and gloves; and Work exposes incumbent to unknown and dangerous conditions.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

Equivalent to a high school diploma; and three (3) years work experience operating light grounds/roads equipment and/or performing activities relating to vegetation management.

LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION

Incumbent must obtain a State of Utah Pesticide Applicator's License and valid State of Utah Class B Commercial Driver's License within six (6) months of employment in this job classification. Incumbent must maintain both licenses throughout employment.

This description lists the major duties and requirements of the job and is not all-inclusive. Incumbent(s) may be expected to perform job-related duties other than those contained in this document and may be required to have specific job-related knowledge and skills.