### **EASTERN IRRIGATION DISTRICT**



Job Description – Equipment Operator

## **Job Summary**

The Equipment Operator, reporting to the Equipment Superintendent, operates equipment to maintain/construct the Eastern Irrigation District (EID) irrigation distribution system and draining system.

# **Key Responsibilities**

- Operate EID equipment to maintain the EID irrigation distribution system and draining system including the cleaning of ditches, repairing of washouts, installing culverts, installing structures, loading and unloading of trucks, installing and repairing Texas gates, installing pipelines, and placing riprap, armour, or gravel.
- Remove and replace fencing and gates when necessary.
- Check grades.
- Prepare weekly equipment reports.
- Operate heavy duty equipment in a safe manner and ensure it is kept in proper working order; ensure the regular and daily inspection and maintenance of the equipment (e.g., engine coolants, fuel and lubricant levels, clean track rollers, and greasing when necessary); report any problems or equipment issues to the Equipment Superintendent.
- Operate an EID truck and ensure the District vehicle is kept in proper working order; report any problems to the District Mechanic.
- Communicate regularly with other District staff to co-ordinate activities that support the construction, maintenance and water delivery services throughout the District.
- Relate to and communicate with co-workers, supervisors, management, and others sincerely, clearly, tactfully, promptly and courteously; respond to inquiries and issues promptly and professionally.
- Ensure all operations are performed in a safe manner and in accordance with the District Health and Safety
  Management system program and District policies, procedures and programs in effect, and as amended
  from time to time, as well as applicable Occupational Health and Safety Act legislation including,
  - o participating in FLHA safety tailgate meetings, on the job training, safety training seminars, safely operating tools and equipment, and completing work in a safe manner.
- Ensure any required Personal Protective Equipment is on site and worn in accordance with safe job requirements.
- Perform additional tasks, consistent with the position, as may be required from time to time.

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# **Job Qualifications**

- Must have a valid Alberta Class 5 drivers' license.
- Minimum of 2 years of experience with a trackhoe, CAT or dozer; having versatility in operating various heavy-duty equipment would be an asset.
- Basic surveying experience, working with Laser's & GPS.
- Knowledge of site plans.
- Mechanical background would be an asset.
- Basic knowledge of earthworks.
- Familiarity and knowledge of the Eastern Irrigation District or the ability to read a map book.
- Effective interpersonal communication skills.
- Effective organizational and time management skills.
- Ability to work with minimum supervision.

### **Pre-Employment Requirements**

- Selected candidates will be required to undergo pre-employment background checks, including a Criminal Record Check.
- Selected candidates will be required to provide a Driver's Abstract.
- Successful applications must provide proof of qualifications.

## **Pre-Employment Alcohol and Drug Test**

The District recognizes that the use of alcohol and drugs can adversely impact a safe work environment and the well-being of others, as well as place the District's operations at risk. This position is a safety sensitive position and, as such, any person, including any current employee, who has applied for a safety sensitive position will be required to pass a Drug and Alcohol Test as a pre-condition to employment, being transferred or being temporarily assigned into a safety sensitive position as per the District's Drug and Alcohol Policy.