Job Description – Weed Control – Environmental Technician

Job Summary

The Weed Control-Environmental Technician, reporting to the Divisional Superintendent, is responsible for safe control methods of species of undesirable vegetation on and in the District's waterways of irrigation systems, right-of-ways, and grounds.

Key Responsibilities

- Using several safe control methods including boom spraying, backpack treatments, aquatic
 treatments, mowing, rototilling, and hand picking, handle the control of species of undesirable
 vegetation. This will include on and in the District's waterways of irrigation systems, right-of-ways,
 and grounds using chemical, mechanical or manual methods as deemed necessary.
- Retain and maintain chemical application equipment during summer and winter seasons with summer maintenance done on a daily, weekly and monthly schedule.
- Maintain all spray records including field locations, application rates, usage and inventory; input
 aquatic spray records into the weed control database and generate year-end reports.
- Participate in the annual purchase of broadleaf and aquatic chemical.
- Adhere to all applicable laws, regulations and any approvals issued to the District relating to any
 chemical or pesticide applications; attend all certification courses on a yearly basis; if requested,
 renew applicable District licenses and approvals relating to any chemical or pesticide applications
 in consultation with and under the direction of supervisor.
- Working with the District Safety Manager and/or Occupational Health and Safety Coordinator, develop and maintain Emergency Response Plans for chemical storage area.
- 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 compliance with OH&S including attendance at regular safety tailgate meetings, being properly trained, and completing work in a safe manner.
- Ensure the District vehicle is kept in proper working order and report any problems to the District Mechanic.



- Perform tasks consistent with the position, as may be required on an ad hoc basis.
- Note: In the winter season, participate in general construction and upkeep of the District
 including building structures, pipeline construction, canal construction, fencing, and operating
 light and heavy equipment.

Job Qualifications

- In possession of a valid Alberta Class 5 license
- Must obtain and maintain both Aquatic and Industrial Applicators licenses
- Highly motivated with the ability to work independently or with limited supervision
- Demonstrated focus on attention to detail and thoroughness

Pre-Employment Requirements:

- Selected candidates may be required to undergo pre-employment background checks, including a Criminal Record Check
- Selected candidates may 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. All roles that are identified as safety-sensitive and which includes this role are required to pass the Pre-Employment Drug and Alcohol Test as per the District's Substance Abuse Policy.