

**UTILITY WORKER**

*(former Utility I, II and Canal Maintenance Worker)*

Salary Range: 116 – 140

(Assigned Salary Range based on License and Certifications)

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

Representation: General Unit

Five (5) Qualifying Licenses and Certifications

Class B Driver's License (after August 1, 2021, possession at time of appointment, or the ability to obtain within nine (9) months of hire and maintenance of Class B Driver's License as a condition of continued employment)

California Department of Public Health Grade Level D-2

California Department of Public Health Grade Level D-3

California Department of Public Health Grade Level D-4

California Department of Public Health Grade Level T-2

Possession of 1 = Range 120

Possession of 2 = Range 125

Possession of 3 = Range 130

Possession of 4 = Range 135

Possession of 5 = Range 140

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*Class specifications are intended to present a descriptive list of the range of duties performed by employees in the class. Specifications are not intended to reflect all duties performed within the job.*

**Description**

Under the direct supervision of the Supervisor and/or Lead Utility Worker, the position performs a variety of semiskilled and skilled tasks in the construction, maintenance, repair and replacement related to the District's infrastructure including: canals, pipelines, pumping plants, roads, buildings and other facilities.

**Examples of Duties – Duties may include, but are not limited to, the following:**

The duties of this classification are representative of the variety of types of unrelated work which are primarily physical in nature, requiring craft knowledge and the exercise of independent judgment and initiative.

- Performs a variety of semiskilled and skilled work in the maintenance and construction of pipelines and distribution systems using pneumatic and hand tools.
- Operates various types of mobile and general construction equipment.
- May work alone or as a member of a crew.
- Performs pick and shovel work in earth excavation and backfilling
- Installs and repairs fencing and cattle guards.
- Gravels roads, cleans debris from around bridges and structures, siphons, check gates, trash racks, pipeline structure facilities and other features.

- Assembles, joins together and fits pipe to accomplish a variety of particular purposes such as agriculture, municipal or industrial uses.
- Uses air tools, such as tamper, jackhammer and paving breaker, to remove damaged concrete, repair blacktopping, excavating, etc.
- Operates portable pumps for drainage of flooded areas and sandblasting equipment to clean and prepare structures for construction or repairs.
- Uses brush or spray gun to apply protective epoxies, paints or compounds structures.
- Drives single-axle trucks hauling supplies, materials or pulling other wheeled equipment.
- Enters into confined spaces to perform a variety of maintenance tasks.
- Builds forms and mixes and places concrete.
- Patches concrete canal lining or concrete structures along canals.
- Performs other duties as assigned.
- May be required to work after-hours on emergency repairs.
- May be required to participate in a scheduled stand-by duty rotation.

Will be exposed to work related to, but not responsible for:

- Methods, materials, tools and equipment used for the installation and maintenance of potable water and distribution system pipelines structures, pipelines, services, valves, hydrants, and related equipment.
- Disinfection and chlorination.
- Traffic laws and traffic control criteria for work areas.
- Hot tap installations.
- Plumbing and pipefitting.

## **Employment Standards**

### **Knowledge of:**

- District policies, rules, regulations and procedures.
- The identification, use and operation of light construction or maintenance equipment.
- The identification, use and operation of common power tools utilized in construction or maintenance trades.
- Applicable safety precautions and procedures.
- Common public relations courtesies, practices and techniques.

### **Ability to:**

- Understand and comply with District policies, rules, regulations and procedures.
- Perform physical work requiring manual dexterity, agility, physical strength, stamina, physical coordination.
- Perform manual work requiring the use of independent judgment and initiative.
- Understand and carry out verbal or written instructions.
- Read and write the English language.
- Operate a vehicle observing legal and defensive driving practices.
- Use hand tools and some small mechanical equipment.
- Communicate effectively orally and in writing.

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- Do mathematical computation at the level required for successful job performance.
- Deal tactfully and courteously with the public.
- Establish and maintain effective relationships with those contacted in the course of work.
- Initiate and maintain effective safety practices that relate to the nature of the work.

### **Training and Experience**

Any combination of training, education and experience which demonstrates possession of the knowledge and abilities stated above and the ability to perform the duties of the position.

A typical qualifying entrance background is prior employment in laboring work which has provided familiarity with the operation and uses of construction or maintenance equipment, hand and power tools common to a construction, mechanical, metal or building trade. Graduation from high school or equivalent.

### **Licenses and Certification**

Possession of a valid and appropriate California Driver License with a satisfactory driving record to maintain insurability.

For new hires after August 1, 2021, possession at time of appointment, or the ability to obtain within nine (9) months of hire, and maintenance of a California Department of Motor Vehicles Class B license is a condition of employment.

### **Physical Demands**

Carrying:	Transports objects by holding them in hands or arms.
Stooping:	Bends body downward and forward by bending at waist or knees.
Standing:	Stands for up to 8 hours per day.
Reaching:	Extends hands and arms in any direction.
Lifting:	Raises (above head) or lowers (below knees) assorted mechanical devices and appurtenances, up to 60 pounds.
Sitting:	May remain in a seated position for up to 8 hours per day. Rides in District vehicles over rough terrain.
Climbing:	In and out of equipment, trenches and pipelines; ascends and descends ladders up to 12 feet. Ascends and descends slopes up to 1,000 feet.
Talking:	Expresses ideas and shares information by means of spoken word in person, by radio and by telephone.
Hearing:	Hears well enough to receive communication in person, by radio and by telephone, as well as for safety in and around construction sites. May work in conditions with constant or intermittent noise.
Hands/Arms:	Operates vehicles and hand tools. Seizes, holds or works with hands.
Vision:	Reads written messages; operates vehicles and equipment.
Walking:	Moves about on foot, often through uneven terrain.
Environment:	Work is performed in an outdoor field environment with variations of temperature and weather; with travel from site to site; exposure to noise, dust, grease, smoke, fumes, noxious odors, gases, mechanical and electrical hazards; work and/or walk on various types of

surfaces including slippery or uneven surfaces and rough terrain.

*Reasonable accommodations will be considered.*

**Physical Examination**

Must pass a physical examination, which includes substance screening, before employment with the District.

**Confidentiality**

Work does not ordinarily involve confidential information.

**Supervision**

This position receives general supervision from the Maintenance & Construction Supervisor or Solano Project Supervisor and typically receives direction on specific tasks or assignments from a Lead Utility Worker. This position does not have supervisory authority.