

NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Job Description

Job Title:	Director of Water Operations	Reports To:	General Manager
Salary Range:	C62	Approved by Board of Directors:	07/13/2022
FLSA Status:	Exempt	Unit:	Unrepresented - Management
<p><i>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.</i></p>			

Definition

To plan, organize, oversee and manage the activities and operations of the Water Operations Department including water treatment, water distribution and hydroelectric operations; to coordinate assigned activities with other departments and outside agencies; to provide leadership to the organization; and to provide highly responsible and complex administrative support to the General Manager.

Supervision Received and Exercised

Receives policy direction from the General Manager.

Exercises direct supervision over assigned management, supervisory and administrative support personnel.

Essential Functions Statements

Essential and other important responsibilities and duties may include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Develop, plan and implement department goals and objectives; recommend and administer policies and procedures.
2. Coordinate Department activities with those of other departments and outside agencies and organizations; provide staff assistance to the General Manager and Board of Directors; prepare and present staff reports and other necessary correspondence.
3. Direct, oversee and participate in the development of the Department's work plan; assign work activities, projects and programs; monitor work flow; review and evaluate work products, methods and procedures.
4. Oversee and participate in the development and administration of the Water Operations Department budget; direct the forecast of additional funds needed for staffing, equipment, materials and supplies; monitor and approve expenditures; implement mid-year adjustments.
5. Select, train, motivate and evaluate personnel; provide or coordinate staff training; conduct performance evaluations; implement discipline procedures; maintain discipline and high standards necessary for the efficient and professional operation of the Department.
6. Meet with Department management, consulting contractors, and construction contractors to assist with project planning; review and evaluate recommendations and results and resolve project related issues.
7. Research and stay abreast of new trends and innovations in the field of water delivery, water treatment, and power production.

8. Prepare and administer contracts relating to water sales and distribution.
9. Explain, justify, and support the Water Operations Department programs, policies, and activities; negotiate and resolve sensitive and controversial water related issues.
10. Represent the Department to outside groups and organizations; participate in outside community and professional groups and committees; provide technical assistance as necessary.
11. Research and prepare technical and administrative reports and studies; prepare written correspondence as necessary.
12. Build and maintain a working environment of trust and teamwork; swiftly and effectively address issues that threaten a cohesive working environment.
13. Build and maintain positive working relationships with co-workers, other District employees and the public using principles of good customer service.
14. Perform related duties as assigned.

Qualifications

Knowledge of:

- Principles and practices of a comprehensive water treatment and water delivery operation.
- Principles and practices of maintenance requirements of water delivery and hydroelectric production equipment.
- Principles and practices of effective customer service.
- Modern office equipment including use of applicable computer applications.
- Principles and practices of leadership, motivation, team building and conflict resolution.
- Pertinent local, State and Federal laws, rules and regulations.
- Organizational and management practices as applied to the analysis and evaluation of programs.
- Principles and practices of organization, administration and personnel management.
- Principles and practices of budget preparation and administration.

Ability to:

- Plan, direct and control the administration and operations of the Water Operations department.
- Prepare and administer department budgets.
- Develop and implement department policies and procedures.
- Supervise, train and evaluate assigned personnel.
- Gain cooperation through discussion and collaboration.
- Operate and use modern office equipment including a computer and applicable software.
- Analyze problems, identify alternative solutions, project consequences of proposed actions and implement recommendations in support of goals.
- Interpret and apply Federal, State, local and department policies, procedures, rules and regulations.
- Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.
- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

Responsibility to:

- Take appropriate steps to ensure the safety of personnel.
- Report to the Risk Manager/Safety Officer any work assignment that you feel would require you or departmental personnel to perform the work in an unsafe manner and any safety risks or hazards.

Responsibility to ensure that all personnel under your supervision are:

- Properly trained in safe work practices and procedures.
- Utilizing proper protective equipment.
- Operating equipment properly.
- Acknowledging the use of safeguards by other employees.
- Reporting any removal, displacement, damage, destruction, or tampering of safety devices, safeguards, notices or warnings.
- Following OSHA regulations. (OSHA requires that those in supervisory positions ensure subordinate personnel adhere to the appropriate safety procedures in performing all duties. Failure to provide proper supervision may result in civil and/or criminal sanctions for the District and the supervisor).

Experience and Education Guidelines

Any combination of experience and education that would likely provide the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the knowledge and abilities would be:

Experience:

Seven years of increasingly responsible experience in water treatment, delivery and/or hydroelectric production; including three years of administrative and management responsibility.

Education:

Equivalent to a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with major course work in business administration, public administration, engineering, or a related field.

License and Certificate:

Possession of a valid California driver's license.

Possession of a valid California Department of Public Health Water Treatment Operator Certificate, Grade 3 (T3) is highly desirable.

Working Conditions

Environmental Conditions:

Work is normally performed in a temperature controlled office environment subject to typical office noise. Conditions include attendance at evening meetings and irregular hours as necessary to meet deadlines and achieve objectives as well as periodic travel.

Physical Conditions:

Essential functions may require maintaining physical condition necessary to sit at desk and in meetings for long periods of time; intermittently twist to reach equipment surrounding desk; perform simple grasping and fine manipulation; use telephone; write or use a keyboard to communicate through written means; and lift or carry weight of 25 pounds or less.

Mental Conditions:

Essential functions may require maintaining mental condition necessary to analyze budget and technical reports; interpret and evaluate staff reports and related documents; know and interpret laws, regulations and codes; observe performance and evaluate staff; problem solve department related issues; remember various personnel rules; explain and interpret policy; handle conflict.