Soquel Creek Water District is seeking a skilled Water Systems Operator I/II in our O&M department. This is a full-time, benefitted position. This important position will inspect, operate, test, service and maintain varied pumps, motors, chemical feed equipment, pressure filters, control systems and other equipment and facilities required to produce, store and distribute our domestic water supply. Operator II is a journey-level class in water operations work.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Inspects on-site within the District, water production, treatment and storage facilities on a prescribed schedule.
- Tests equipment and performs preventive maintenance and repairs on pumps, motors, generators, chemical feed equipment, pressure filters, electrical and electronic controls, and recording and measuring devices;
- Reports unusual operating conditions and major needs for repair;
- Fills sodium hypochlorite tanks as needed;
- Takes water samples and performs basic physical and chemical tests and/or prepares for shipping;
- Sounds and chemically treats wells on a scheduled basis;
- Records gauge and level readings, sample test results, and other pertinent data on standard forms;
- Maintains facility sites in a clean and orderly condition;
- May assist water distribution crews on a relief or emergency basis;
- Tests emergency generators; performs minor maintenance and reports any operating problems;
- Operates and maintains a variety of hand and power tools and equipment related to the work;
- Responds to emergency situations in off-hours as required.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS & ABILITIES

- Operational principles and maintenance practices of pumps, motors, generators, electrical controls and similar water utility equipment.
- Safety precautions pertaining to the work, including the handling of hazardous chemicals.
- Use and care of basic hand and power tools.
- Shop mathematics and making accurate arithmetic calculations.
- Computer applications related to the work.
- Recognizing and diagnosing operational problems.
- Servicing and performing preventive maintenance on drinking water systems equipment.
- Maintaining accurate logs and records.
- Reading and interpreting manuals, specifications, plans, maps and schematics.
- Establishing and maintaining effective working relationships.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

Operator I: Two (2) years of work which has provided a familiarity with the operation and maintenance of pumps, motors and similar equipment found in a water utility after obtaining a high school diploma.

Operator II: Two (2) years of journey-level experience above (fully acquired knowledge, skills and abilities demonstrated on the job).

REQUIREMENTS

- Valid Class “C” Calif. Drivers’ License w/Haz Mat and Tank endorsement.
- Clean driving record (no multiple or serious traffic violations or accidents for at least two (2) years) and proof of valid insurance coverage.
- Operator I - Grade D-2 Distribution Operators Certificate and Water Grade T-1 Treatment Operators Certificate Cal. Division of Drinking Water. (Must obtain certs within specified time periods)
• Operator I - Grade D-2 Distribution Operators Certificate and Water Grade T-2 Treatment Operators Certificate Cal. Division of Drinking Water. (Must obtain higher level certs within specified time periods)
• Regularly scheduled on-call, and emergency, off-hours shifts as required.
• Ability to lift, carry and push tools, equipment and supplies weighing up to 50 lbs; work in all weather conditions; work in confined spaces and with exposure to potentially hazardous conditions.

COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS

Compensation: Operator I: $28.14 - $39.82 per hr. / $58,536 - $82,824
Operator II: $32.37 - $45.78 per hr. / $67,320 - $95,232 Annual

Health Insurance: Medical – Employer-paid 90% premium contribution. Dental/Vision – Employer-paid 100% premium contribution.

Life Insurance: Term Life employer-paid 100%. Voluntary additional coverage.

Retirement: CalPERS membership: Classic 2.5%@55 or PEPRA 2%@62. Note: District does not contribute to SS.

Deferred Compensation: IRS 457 voluntary deferred comp plan.

Vacation: 12 days after one year of service to 25 days after 20 years.

Holidays: 11 paid holidays plus 2 floating holidays.

Sick Leave: 12 days.

Filing Deadline: Monday November 30, 2020

HOW TO APPLY

1. A District Application is required and can be downloaded at www.soquelcreekwater.org.
2. Responses to the Supplemental Questions for this position posted on the District’s website are required.
3. A Resume (will not be accepted in lieu of the completed application form.)

All applications will be reviewed and a limited number of candidates presenting the most relevant qualifications for the position will be invited to continue in the selection process. Applicants will receive written notification regarding the result of the review process. Completed application materials may be submitted in the following manner:

Electronic Submissions Preferred

Electronically: employment@soquelcreekwater.org

By Mail: Human Resources
Soquel Creek Water District
P.O. Box 1550 - Capitola, CA 95010

District Drop Box: Human Resources
Soquel Creek Water District
5180 Soquel Drive - Soquel, CA 95073

Posted: November 9, 2020
WATER SYSTEMS OPERATOR I/II

1. Describe your experience and knowledge working in drinking water systems or similar/relevant systems.

2. Describe your specific technical skills and experience relative to the details in the Job Notice.

Applicant Name:___________________

Posted: November 9, 2020