MERCED IRRIGATION DISTRICT
UTILITYPERSON I & II

FLSA STATUS – Non-Exempt
Bargaining Unit – IBEW, Local 1245
Classification Level - Level 13 (Utilityperson I)
Classiciation Level – Level 16 (Utilityperson II)

DEFINITION

Under direct supervision, perform unskilled or semi-skilled work in the construction, repair, operation and maintenance of irrigation, drainage, pumping, engineering, electric and park facilities; and perform other related work as required. Upon successful completion of three (3) years experience as Utilityperson I qualifies for advancement to Utilityperson II.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES (UTILITY I)

- Operates one or more of the following pieces of machinery or equipment: concrete mixer, concrete vibrator, mechanical loader, tractor and/or power mowers, portable pump, saws, air tools, pneumatic tampers, arc or acetylene welders and light trucks.
- Install, remove, repair, and clean pipelines of various diameters and lengths;
- Place concrete; assist in form work and placing steel;
- Perform rough and tack welding; lubricate, clean, stop and start pumps and boosters, change instrument charts, take meter readings;
- Assist Engineering Department in surveying, water measurements, compiling data;
- Assist on spray rigs;
- Install, remove, repair piping, perform general maintenance, work on parks refuse pickup, maintenance of restrooms, administration buildings, swimming lagoons, care of trees, lawns, shrubs;
- Perform other duties as requested, directed, or assigned.

UTILITY II

- In addition to duties above, operate loaders and bobcats as required.

KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES

Knowledge of:

- General construction and maintenance materials, procedures, and equipment.
- Safe work practices.
- Knowledge of methods of making simple repairs and adjustments on machinery being used

Ability to:

- Operate proficiently and safely the particular types of equipment assigned.
- Perform daily inspections with required paperwork filled out of assigned equipment to ensure safe operation.
- Perform skilled and semi-skilled construction, minor repairs and maintenance work.
- Ability to make simple written work reports.
- Ability to work well with public and fellow employees.
- Work with various computer softwares, including Microsoft Office Suite and District's work order system.
- Understand and carry out oral and written directions.
- Establish and maintain cooperative relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS – UTILITYPERSON I

Education:

- Any combination of education and experience equivalent to graduation from high school.

Experience:

- One (1) year in irrigation operations/maintenance work or equivalent.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- Possession of appropriate California Driver's License.
- A Department of Motor Vehciles "Driver Record Information" print-out will be required at time of hire. Must be enrolled in District's DMV pull-notice program.

QUALIFICATIONS – UTILITYPERSON II

- Three (3) years as a Utilityperson I or other classification within the District or equivalent experience, as determined by District evaluation.
- Obtain and maintain Class A driver's license.
- Ability to run small equipment (i.e. bobcat, loader, etc.)
- Be able to work independently.

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS:

- Exposure to the sun: 90% or less work time spent outside a building and exposed to the sun.
- Irregular or extended work hours: Per the current Memorandum of Understanding (M.O.U.)
- Work performed in an outside environment with exposure to dust, dirt and significant temperature changes between heat and cold.

ESSENTIAL MENTAL ABILITIES:

- Exercise independent judgment.
- Self directing and organized.
- Reason objectively.
- Assess, project and plan work activities on a daily and weekly basis.
- Document concisely, accurately and timely.

TYPICAL PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES

The physical and mental demands of this position are described below. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions of the position:

- Operates District vehicles and equipment used in construction, maintenance, and repair work.
- Must be able to push, pull, reach, and lift equipment and parts weighing up to fifty (50) pounds.
- Stoops, kneels, crouches, crawls, and climbs during field maintenance and repair work.
- Works in an environment with exposure to dust, dirt, and/or weed abatement chemicals, and significant temperature changes between heat and cold.
- Communicates orally with District staff in face-to-face, one-to-one settings.
- Regularly uses a telephone and radio for communication.
- May sit or stand and walk on uneven terrain for extended time periods.
- Hearing, vision, and eye-hand coordination sufficient to operate foot and hand controls and to maintain good awareness during maintenance and construction jobs.

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Sitting:	Remains in a seated position for up to eight (8) hours per day
Hands/Arms:	Operates equipment for up to eight (8) hours per day
Lifting:	Raises and lowers supplies and equipment up to fifty (50) pounds.
Stooping:	Bends body downward and forward by bending at the knees or waist
Talking:	Expresses ideas and shares information by means of spoken work in person and by telephone.
Hearing:	Hears well enough to receive communications in person and by telephone.
Vision:	Operates vehicles and office equipment.