

CITY OF ST. LOUIS CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION

CLASSIFICATION

TITLE: Water Distribution Superintendent

CLASS CODE: 3535

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES:

Incumbents in this classification plan, assign and supervise the work of a large number of front-line supervisors in the repair and maintenance of water mains and hydrants.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS:

This is an advanced-level trades classification in the Water System Maintenance Series – Water Management Group job family within the City of St. Louis. Incumbents within this classification perform complex duties with a variety of related tasks. The distinguishing characteristics of this classification within the series include supervision of Water Distribution Supervisors.

Incumbents work under general direction. They are generally in charge of an organizational unit, plan and carry out assignments with considerable independence, and have some latitude in developing procedures and methods. Supervision is given by occasional conferences.

This class contains positions whose incumbents are delegated on a regular and recurring basis full authority to integrate and coordinate a group of dissimilar functions, all contributing to a common objective. Positions in these classes are held accountable for the work performance of subordinate supervisors, lead workers and other staff. This level of work interprets and explains individual and collective objectives set by senior management from overall goals to subordinate staff.

EXAMPLES OF WORK (Illustrative Only):

(The list of duties is intended to be representative of the duties performed in positions within this classification. It does not include all the duties that may be assigned to a position and is not necessarily descriptive of any one position in this class.)

Plans, organizes, coordinates and controls the work unit's operations/programs to establish operational priorities, coordinate these operations with other functions within the agency, and ensure program objectives and standards are established, attained and congruent with overall goals.

Determines and requests/submits staff, material and equipment needs for managed operations/programs managed.

Contributes to the formulation and justification of budgetary requests for the agency as a whole.

Determines performance evaluation standards and procedures to provide information to subordinate staff on individual work performance expectations to ensure complete and objective appraisal of subordinates' performance.

Develops and directs the implementation of operational plans pertinent to managed operations/programs to ensure the establishment of appropriate goals and the development of action steps to achieve these goals.

Develops and recommends new and revised statutes, rules, policies, and procedures to respond to changes in operational/program needs, objectives, and priorities and to improve the effectiveness of managed operations/programs.

Plans and assigns work, equipment, supervisors and crews; oversees testing and main repairs and replacements.

Performs time and cost estimates prior to project implementation.

Coordinates construction work through subordinates.

Resolves technical problems related to the installation, design and construction of the water distribution system.

Writes work orders, materials specifications and other related materials.

Prepares and monitors budget related to work crews.

Serves as a technical expert to subordinates; responds to customer complaints.

Reviews job status reports, contractor correspondence and customer complaints; takes corrective action.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

Data Utilization:

Requires the ability to perform mid to upper-level data analysis including the ability to coordinate, strategize, systemize and correlate, using discretion in determining time, place and/or sequence of operations within an organizational framework. Requires the ability to implement decisions based on such data, and overseeing the execution of these decisions.

Human Interaction:

Requires the ability to manage and direct a large group of employees, which may include first-line supervisors. Oversees and controls employee discipline, selection and allocation, and planning of human resources.

Equipment, Machinery, Tools and Materials Use:

Requires the ability to operate, calibrate, tune and synchronize, and perform complex rapid adjustment on equipment, machinery and tools such as tapping machines, power generators, fire hydrants, computer terminal, motor vehicle and/or related materials used in performing essential functions.

Verbal Aptitude:

Requires the ability to utilize a variety of advisory data and information such as status reports, technical operating manuals, materials estimates, plats and blueprints, technical sketches, regulations and non-routine correspondence

Mathematical Aptitude:

Requires the ability to perform addition, subtraction, multiplication, division; calculate decimals and percentages; performs mathematical operations involving basic algebra.

Functional Reasoning:

Requires the ability to apply principles of influence systems such as supervision, managing, leading, teaching, directing, planning, coordinating and controlling. Ability to exercise independent judgment to apply facts and principles for developing approaches and techniques to problem resolution.

Situational Reasoning:

Requires the ability to exercise the judgment, decisiveness and creativity required in situations involving the direction, control and planning of an entire program or multiple programs.

Environmental Factors:

Tasks may risk exposure to adverse environmental conditions, such as dirt, odors, wetness, fumes, temperature and noise extremes, machinery, traffic hazards, toxic/poisonous chemicals, or irate individuals.

Physical Requirements:

Requires the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull moderately heavy objects and materials, twenty to fifty pounds, such as removing material from a boom truck.

Tasks involve the regular and, at times, sustained performance of moderately physically demanding work, typically involving some combination of climbing and balancing, stooping, kneeling, crouching and crawling in order to install mains in confined spaces.

Sensory Requirements:

Requires the ability to recognize and identify similarities or differences between characteristics of shapes, sounds and odors associated with job-related objects, materials and tasks, such as detecting leaks or hazardous materials.

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