CITY OF FONTANA
EQUIPMENT OPERATOR I

DEFINITION: Under general supervision, operates construction, maintenance and transportation equipment according to required standards; and performs semi-skilled and skilled maintenance tasks. May exercise functional and technical supervision over lower level maintenance staff.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS: The employee must have the ability to:

- Drive and operate construction and maintenance equipment including dump trucks, backhoes, lawn mowing equipment, tractors, trucks and other light equipment.
- Inspect and clear obstructions from storm drains.
- Identify equipment needs for each assigned project.
- Pick up and transport refuse to the appropriate dumping site.
- Inspect, clean, maintain and perform minor repairs on equipment and report the need for major repairs, check and adjust fluid level; replace brooms on sweepers; grease and lubricated moving parts as required.
- Perform additional landscaping and maintenance tasks such as sprinkler installation, tree planting and removal, herbicide spraying, pest control, truck driving, and a variety of repair activities when equipment is not in use.
- Provide training to lower level staff in the operation.
- Participate in concrete work such as curb, gutter, and sidewalk repair; operate a jackhammer.
- Paint buildings and other facilities.
- Maintain baseball fields, playgrounds and other facilities.
- Install traffic cones and barricades.
- Clean and care for tools and equipment.
- Perform any tasks or functions deemed necessary to the daily operations of the employer.

THE ABOVE LIST OF ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS IS NOT EXHAUSTIVE AND MAY BE SUPPLEMENTED AS NECESSARY BY THE EMPLOYER.

WORKING CONDITIONS: Position requires prolonged sitting, standing, walking on level and slippery surfaces, reaching, twisting, turning, kneeling, bending, stooping, squatting, crouching, grasping and making repetitive hand movement in the performance of daily duties. Incumbents may be required to lift, carry and/or push objects weighing 25 pounds or more. The position requires near and far vision when inspecting work. Incumbents work in all weather conditions, use cleaning and lubricating chemicals which may expose the employee to fumes, dust and air contaminants, drive motorized vehicles, heavy equipment and work around moving traffic and often works with constant interruptions. The incumbent is also required to climb ladders, use power and noise producing tools and equipment.
EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING GUIDELINES
A combination of experience and training that would likely provide the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying. The employee must have knowledge of:

- Operation and maintenance requirements of trucks and less complex power-driven equipment.
- Practices, methods, and materials used in construction and maintenance work.
- Traffic laws, ordinances, and rules involved in truck and equipment operations.
- Safe work practices.

Ability to:

- Operate a variety of less complex power-driven equipment.
- Attach auxiliary pieces of equipment to power-driven equipment.
- Perform a variety of semi-skilled and skilled construction and maintenance tasks.
- Perform maintenance on assigned equipment in an efficient, safe manner.
- Understand and follow oral and written instructions.
- Work independently or in a crew situation, as assigned.
- Establish and maintain cooperative working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

Experience: Two years of increasingly responsible experience performing maintenance work involving the operation of light and medium size equipment.

Education: Formal or informal education or training which ensures the ability to read and write at a level necessary for successful job performance.

License/Certifications: Possession of, or ability to obtain, an appropriate, valid California driver’s license.