HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

DEFINITION
Under supervision, operates various types of construction, agricultural, and related equipment.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED/EXCERCISED
The Heavy Equipment Operator receives supervision from an assigned supervisor. This class does not exercise staff supervision.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS
Heavy Equipment Operator is a highly skilled class in which incumbents independently operate various types of construction, agricultural, and related equipment for construction and maintenance activities. Depending upon assignment, will provide direction to support personnel assisting with an assigned route or project. This class is distinguished from the Senior Heavy Equipment Operator in that incumbents of the latter provide lead direction to others engaged in the operation of similar equipment.

EXAMPLES OF IMPORTANT AND ESSENTIAL DUTIES
(May include, but are not limited to, the following:)

Operates assigned equipment for construction and maintenance of streets, alleys, concrete improvements, drainage facilities, water distribution facilities, sanitary sewer systems, transfer stations, wastewater infiltration and reclamation facilities, and other City facilities.

Operates construction equipment, heavy tractors, and related equipment to perform a variety of maintenance tasks, such as, grading, making fills, and other work which involves the use of attached equipment and associated implements.

Estimates types and amounts of materials needed and initiates requests for materials.

Dependent upon assignment, provides direction to support personnel assisting with an assigned route or project.

Performs minor maintenance and service on assigned equipment.

Reports equipment malfunctions and requests maintenance service as needed.

Performs related duties as required.

JOB RELATED AND ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of:

Methods used in the operation, and care of construction, agricultural, and related equipment.

Applicable safety rules and procedures.

Traffic laws pertaining to the safe operation of trucks and equipment.
The geographic layout of the City of Fresno or assigned collection route.

**Ability to:**

Provide lead direction to, and plan and assign the activities of, a group of workers or helpers.

Detect needed mechanical work and make necessary minor repairs and adjustments.

Understand and follow oral and written instructions.

Work independently and with a team in the performance of assigned duties.

Establish and maintain effective working relationships with those contacted in the performance of assigned duties sufficient to exchange or convey information, give/receive work direction.

Perform manual work under adverse conditions.

**Skill in:**
The safe operation of construction, agricultural, and related equipment.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

**Experience:**
Two years of experience in the operation of construction, agricultural and related equipment with complex operating requirements.

**Necessary Special Requirements:**
Depending upon assignment, must possess a valid Commercial Class A or a valid Class B California Driver's License at time of application. Must obtain a California Class A or B Driver's License without airbrake restrictions by time of appointment and must maintain the appropriate license for the entire term of employment in this class.

Depending upon assignment, may be required to obtain valid California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Driver's License Endorsements.

Recruitments may be limited to a specific area of experience, as required by operational needs.

**APPROVED:**

**Signature on File**

Director of Personnel Services

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