INTERN – ENGINEERING

Class specifications are intended to present a descriptive list of the range of duties performed by employees in the class. Specifications are not intended to reflect all duties performed within the job.

DEFINITION
Under immediate supervision, to perform a variety of engineering duties and projects; and to support the District’s Engineering Department.

CLASS CHARACTERISTICS/SUPERVISION RECEIVED
This is a temporary entry-level position for a college student intern to work no more than 960 hours per fiscal year. Positions assigned to this level perform assigned engineering functions under close supervision. Incumbents will initially perform a variety of routine engineering tasks in training status under close supervision. Incumbents will perform basic engineering tasks such as the review of less complex water, sewer and recycled water plans; perform basic engineering calculations, and assist with the inspection of engineering projects.

ESSENTIAL AND MARGINAL FUNCTIONS
Essential and other important responsibilities and duties may include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Gain hands-on engineering experience working on various projects ranging from field support to detailed technology support.
2. Work directly with other engineers and professionals in a team environment
3. Develop skills under the supervision and guidance of experienced professionals.
4. Perform related duties or special projects as assigned.
5. Work with CAD technician/analyst and inspectors to complete record drawings

QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge and Skills:
To perform duties at this level include the knowledge of basic engineering principles and techniques; of engineering planning; of equipment and materials used in engineering operations; of specialized subjects used in the fields of engineering, such as mathematics, statistics, mechanics, physics, or chemistry; general filing techniques, standard telephone techniques, modern office methods and procedures and proper work safety standards.

Ability to:
Apply engineering principles to practical engineering problems; to use engineering equipment and tools; including computer applications; to make, read and interpret engineering drawings and specifications; to express ideas clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing; to relate to abstract ideas to actual needs and adopt an effective course of action. Operate standard office equipment (personal computer, large format scanner, phone, copier, and fax), comply with the District’s safety, health, and environmental policies, present a professional image and communicate effectively with others; organize and work on simultaneous assignments with attention to schedules and deadlines; maintain quality of work through attention to detail and accurate preparation of work papers; establish and maintain effective working relationships with others communicate effectively, both orally and in writing.
EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING GUIDELINES
Any combination of experience and training that would likely provide the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the knowledge and abilities would be:

Experience:
Experience working with MS Word, MS Excel, basic email and basic knowledge of Computer Aided Drafting (CAD) software.

Education/Training:
Currently enrolled in an accredited college or university program; with major course work in civil engineering or other related field. Must possess the ability to read and write at a level required of assigned duties.

License and Certificate:
Valid Class “C” State of California Driver’s License

WORKING CONDITIONS
Typical office environment; noise level is usually quiet

PHYSICAL AND MENTAL DEMANDS
The physical and mental demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this class. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

Physical Demands
While performing the duties of this class, employees are regularly required to sit, walk, and stand; talk or hear, in person and by telephone; use hands repetitively to finger, handle, feel or operate standard office equipment; reach with hands and arms. Employees are occasionally required to sit for prolonged periods. Ability to occasionally perform lifting of up to twenty-five (25) pounds.

Mental Demands
While performing the duties of this class, employees are regularly required to use written and oral communication skills; read and interpret data; use math and mathematical reasoning; analyze and solve problems; learn and apply new information; perform highly detailed work on multiple tasks and interact with District staff and others encountered in the course of work.

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