



Employment Opportunity – Chief Utility Operator

Do you enjoy hitting the slopes, mountain biking, hiking and/or fat biking? The City of Rossland is an exceptional place to live, work and explore. With its alpine landscapes and extraordinary recreational opportunities, our residents enjoy a comfortable balance of work-life activities. Being a resort municipality with a city population of 4100, the City of Rossland offers a wide range of services directly to its residents.



We have an opening for the regular, full-time position of the Utility Chief Operator. The successful candidate will have a valid BC driver's license, an EOCP Class 2 Water Treatment certification, EOCP Class 2 Water Distribution certification and an EOCP Class 1 Wastewater Collection Certification. Candidates without all the required certifications may be considered in a development role.

You have leadership skills, excellent mechanical aptitude and skills, are technically experienced in water treatment and distribution operations, are physically capable of the demands of the job and are able to work in adverse conditions. A minimum of two years of water treatment and distribution experience is required.

Reporting to the Public Foreperson, the Chief Utility Operator operates and maintains water supply and treatment facilities, the Cities water distribution system and wastewater collections system.

Come be part of a great team who takes pride in their work to enhance the very reasons the City of Rossland is such a great place to live, work and play. Participation in the standby rotation and the ability to work emergency overtime hours are requirements of this position.

For a detailed job description - and additional information regarding the City of Rossland, please visit www.rossland.ca.

This is a CUPE Local 2087 bargaining position and offers this position of Chief Utility Operator at Pay Grade 9 or \$43.20 per hour with benefits outlined in the Collective Agreement.

Qualified candidates are invited to submit questions and/or applications in confidence by **Thursday, July 11, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. PST** to:

Scott Lamont, Manager of Operations
City of Rossland
PO Box 1179
Rossland, BC V0G 1Y0
Email: operations.manager@rossland.ca

The City is an equal opportunity employer and thanks all applicants for their interest; however, only those candidates selected for further consideration will be contacted.

POSITION: Chief Utility Operator (Pay Grade 9)

DEPARTMENT: Operations & Public Works

SUMMARY:

Reporting to the Foreperson and/or delegate, this position assists with the supervision of the operation and maintenance of the water distribution system, the wastewater collection system, and the water treatment plant in accordance with provincial and federal regulations.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Customer Service

- Contributes to the success of our team, creation of our community, and delivers outstanding customer service.
- Effectively responds to public enquiries in a timely manner.
- Works with staff and consultants to plan improvements to the water supply and distribution system.

Leadership

- Assist with the supervision of Operators and Labourers by assigning and checking tasks associated with the operations and maintenance of the water supply and treatment distribution system as well as the wastewater collection system.
- Provides support to employees by sharing knowledge and helping trouble shoot challenging situations.
- Involves all team members with open communication and encouragement.
- Regularly solicits feedback from customers and employees and acts on the feedback received.
- Is innovative and looks at situations critically and strives to do things better.
- Is responsible for the health and safety of all workers under their direct supervision by ensuring that their employees are trained in and follow safe work procedures.
- Ensures that all equipment, tools, and apparatus are in good repair and in proper working order.
- Enforces established safety policies, safety rules and regulations and job procedures as required.
- Oversees others working on the City's water supply and distribution system to ensure work meets regulatory requirements.
- Creates operational, safety and maintenance policies and procedures.
- Proven supervisory and leadership skills.

Water Distribution/ Wastewater collections

- Oversees, operates, and maintains the water supply, treatment and distribution system meeting all Provincial, Federal and Health Authority regulations and requirements.
- Oversees, operates, and maintains all dams and city reservoirs.
- Records and organizes inspection, repair, maintenance testing, and benchmarking data, in electronic and written form.
- Operates municipal equipment in a safe and efficient manner according to all relevant legislation and municipal policies and procedures.
- Constantly looking for ways to optimize the water distribution system through efficiencies, new technologies and improved Best Management Practices.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

- Thorough knowledge of water distribution principles.
- Thorough knowledge of Pressure Reducing Valve (PRV), operating principles, maintenance, and repair.
- Thorough knowledge of Cross connection control programs.
- Thorough knowledge of Fat, Oil and Grease programs.
- General knowledge of fluid hydraulics
- Thorough knowledge of Provincial Drinking Water Act and Drinking Water Protection Regulations.
- Basic knowledge of electricity and electrical motors.
- Thorough knowledge of pump principles, maintenance, and repair.
- Familiarity with municipal policies and procedures.
- Prior experience with inspection and operation of earth dam reservoirs.
- Comprehensive and current knowledge of WorkSafe BC regulations and requirements as they relate to municipal public works.
- Ability to work safely and in compliance with the City of Rossland Health and Safety Policy, WorkSafe BC and WHMIS TDG Guidelines.
- Ability to schedule work for others and organize own priorities.
- Ability to multitask and meet deadlines.
- Ability to read and understand engineering plans and blueprint drawings.
- Ability to follow oral or written instructions and procedures.
- Ability to effectively supervise other staff.
- Thorough knowledge of water meter programs.
- Thorough knowledge, training, and experience in excavation safety.
- Thorough knowledge, training, and experience in Utility locating (BC One)
- Thorough knowledge of Chlorine dosing system principles, maintenance, and repair
- Knowledge and ability to operate computer software including the District's GIS system, Microsoft Office, the collector app, and SCADA from the office or remotely. Ability to read, understand and interpret simple laboratory and meteorological data.
- Proven experience performing PRV, hydrant, flushing, valve, pump, reservoir, soda ash, chlorine dosing, sand filtration operations as well as preventative / reactive maintenance and troubleshooting.
- Performs labouring duties as required.

WORKING CONDITIONS

- Good physical condition with sufficient strength and stamina to perform heavy manual work outside in the presence of all types of weather conditions,
- Able to work in confined spaces and in or around raw sewage.
- May be exposed to distracting and loud sounds and noise levels.
- May be exposed to noxious odors, raw and/or treated sewage, and dirty conditions.
- Able to courteously deal with the public and co-workers under stressful conditions and / or tight timelines.
- Work can be repetitive and include long hours sitting or standing.
- Required to work periodically for emergencies, including after hours, stand-by, weekends, and holidays.
- Required to work periodically in relief of the Foreperson.

Disclaimer:

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by people assigned to this position. This is a general list of responsibilities, duties and skills required of personnel so classified. Other related duties may be assigned in keeping with the general nature of the position.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED:

Immediate Supervisor: Foreperson and/or delegate

Works in conjunction with: Manager of Operations/Deputy Manager of Operations

Positions directly/ indirectly supervised by this position: Public Works Employees/Operations Crew
Seasonal and Student Public Works Employees
Arena and other City Facilities Employees

EDUCATION, KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS:**ESSENTIAL:**

Education: Grade 12 Diploma or GED

Experience: A minimum of 5 years' experience with a Level 2 water distribution system
Demonstrated leadership experience.

Licences/Certificates Valid BC Class 5 Driver's License
Valid Class III or I License with Air Endorsement
EOCP Class 2 Water Distribution certification
EOCP Class 2 Water Treatment certification
EOCP Class 1 Wastewater Collection certification
BCWWA Certification in Cross Connection Control
SCADA system training and experience
Confined Space Entry
Occupational First Aid Level I
Traffic Control
WHMIS 2015

Specific Skills As noted in Duties and Responsibilities
Skills and Abilities: As noted in Duties and Responsibilities

DESIRABLE:

Education: Dam Inspection and Maintenance training
Water Engineering Technology Diploma (or similar)

Experience: An equivalent combination of education and experience.

JOB DESCRIPTION APPROVAL AND DESIGNATION

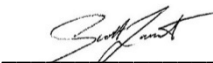
Full-Time:

Part-Time:

Permanent:

Temporary:

Casual:



Signature
Department Head:



Signature
Chief Administrative Officer: