

**MENDOCINO COUNTY GOVERNMENT
CLASS SPECIFICATION**

CLASS TITLE: SENIOR EQUIPMENT OPERATOR
DEPARTMENT: TRANSPORTATION
REPORTS TO: ROAD CREW SUPERVISOR

CLASS CODE: 30675
FLSA STATUS: N
Rev DATE: 01/04

JOB SUMMARY:

Under general supervision, operates heavy road construction equipment to perform manual labor in road construction and maintenance; may assume lead person duties in the absence of Road Crew Supervisor. The work consists of a variety of skilled and semi-skilled duties at a journeyman level of classification. Incumbents in this classification may receive limited supervision within a framework of policies and procedures. Performs other related duties as assigned.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS:

This is the senior of the Equipment Operator series and is distinguished by the typical operation of the more complex equipment with the responsibility for towing and /or hauling heavy and light pieces of road equipment. This position is also distinguished by the inclusion of lead worker responsibilities and the ability to direct an inmate work crew.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED:

Exercises lead worker responsibilities over subordinate staff and direct an inmate work crew.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS: (All responsibilities may not be performed by all incumbents.)

Operates various pieces of heavy equipment during road construction and maintenance including dozers, graders, tilt-trailers, truck mounted excavators, rollers, loaders, and various other related equipment and vehicles in the performance of the position and in a relief capacity.

Performs general maintenance and safety checks on equipment by refueling, greasing, and checking the oil, water, lights, and other appropriate vehicle components.

Serves as lead person over subordinate personnel in absence of Road Crew Supervisor through directing work assignments and overseeing sight safety and project goal.

Performs general patrolling and maintenance of roads and facilities during inclement weather conditions.

Completes logs and/or records by recording individual equipment utilized, maintenance needed, accidents, and other related issues.

Loads and transports water, rock, fill, debris, and other materials to and from construction sites.

Transports and tows various pieces of heavy and light equipment from one location to another.

Operates equipment in the construction, paving, patching, and smoothing of roads.

Operates equipment in the digging, installation, removal, and maintenance of culverts, soft spots, and sub-surface drains.

Operates various hand and power tools in the performance of the essential functions of the position.

Prepares inventory of materials and supplies utilized and/or transported.

Performs manual tasks including constructing fences and guardrails, spreading gravel and sand, and other support functions for the regular road crew.

Monitors and reviews informational updates on the operation and servicing of heavy and light road construction equipment.

Supervise an inmate work crew through directing and ensuring compliance with inmate work crew practices and rules.

MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT USED:

Dump Trucks	Motor Grader	Backhoe	Loader	Chain Saw	Hand Tools
Water Truck	Roller	Oil Pot	Striper	Dozers	

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:

Education and Experience:

High School diploma or GED; and,

One year of progressively responsible related experience in the operation of road construction equipment; or,

Any combination of education, training and experience that provides the required knowledge, skills, and abilities to perform the essential functions of the job.

Licenses and Certifications:

Valid Class A California Driver's License with Air Brake and Tanker Endorsements; OR, Class B California Driver's License with Air Brake and Tanker Endorsements and Class A permit and must obtain the Class A License within six (6) months of appointment.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

Knowledge of:

All applicable provisions of the state vehicle code relative to the operation of light and moderately heavy construction equipment and safe driving practices.

Road maintenance and construction equipment including operation, servicing, and minor repair.

Procedures, methods, practices, and tools of road construction, repair, and maintenance.

Record keeping such as completion of maintenance logs and/or report preparation.

Safe practices and procedures for performing essential functions of the job.

Skill in:

Operating and maintaining all assigned equipment required to perform the essential functions of the job.

Overseeing the work of subordinate personnel.

Mental and Physical Abilities:

Ability to read and interpret documents such as safety rules, operation and maintenance instructions, procedure manuals, and so forth.

Ability to deal with problems involving several concrete variables in standardized situations.

Ability to follow oral and written instructions.

Ability to write routine reports and correspondence.

While performing the essential functions of this job the employee is frequently required to stand, sit, use hands to finger, handle, or feel, reach with hands and arms, climb or balance, stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl, speak and hear, and lift and/or move more than 100 pounds.

Working Conditions:

While performing the essential functions of this position the employee is frequently exposed to moving mechanical parts, risk of electrical shock, fumes or airborne particles, work in high precarious places, and may come in contact with toxic or caustic chemicals and explosives.

While performing the essential functions of this position the employee will be exposed to extremes in weather conditions for long periods of time.

The incumbent's working conditions are typically loud.

file: sreqopt.30675

This class specification should not be interpreted as all inclusive. It is intended to identify the essential functions and requirements of this job. Incumbents may be requested to perform job-related responsibilities and tasks other than those stated in this specification. Any essential function or requirement of this class will be evaluated as necessary should an incumbent/applicant be unable to perform the function or requirement due to a disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Reasonable accommodation for the specific disability will be made for the incumbent/applicant when possible.