Job Description: HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

CLASS NO. 108 EEOC CATEGORY: Skilled Craft Workers

PAY GROUP: 112 FLSA: Non-exempt

SUMMARY OF POSITION:

Operates various types of large and valuable heavy-duty equipment to accomplish assigned activities.

ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS:

1. Reports to: Designated supervisor and/or foreman.

2. <u>Directs</u>: May provide on-the-job supervision to other crew members, especially in the

absence of assigned supervisor.

3. Other: May have contact with other county departments and the general public.

EXAMPLES OF WORK:

Essential Duties*

Operates heavy and light equipment such as a maintainer, backhoe, bulldozer, motor grader, spreader box, track loader, paddle wheel scraper, trash compactor, or light or heavy truck as required and instructed;

Checks oil, water, fuel, tires, and hydraulic system and performs other routine inspections to ensure vehicle is in proper working condition, and performs routine maintenance;

Provides assistance with and suggestions for increased safety during assigned projects;

Digs holes, compacts, covers, and/or grades solid waste;

Grades, maintains, patches, or resurfaces streets, and flags traffic during repairs;

Cleans drains, culverts, right-of-ways, and ditches;

Collects brush, garbage, and debris;

Loads, transports, and unloads necessary materials for assigned projects;

Performs welding and fabrication when necessary;

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Repairs bridges;

Constructs, paints, and installs road signs;

Operates other lighter equipment in process of assigned duties;

Other Important Duties*

May perform light plumbing, maintenance, construction, and/or carpentry duties; and

Performs such other duties as may be assigned.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

Knowledge of: the safe operation of the equipment used; the provisions of the Texas Motor Vehicle code relating to operation of light and heavy motorized equipment; and safety standards in order to prevent hazards.

Skill to: operate equipment used effectively and safely; and service and make minor repairs on equipment.

Ability to: read and understand construction and utility diagrams; understand and follow written and oral instructions; work effectively and cooperatively with other county employees and the general public; tolerate outside working conditions, including exposure to adverse weather conditions; and maintain Texas driver's license applicable to job responsibilities and good driving record.

ACCEPTABLE EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING:

High School graduation, or its equivalent, and at least one year of experience operating light or heavy equipment;

or sufficient education to read and write, plus at least two years of experience operating light or heavy equipment;

or any equivalent combination of experience and training which provides the required knowledge, skills, and abilities.

CERTIFICATES AND LICENSES REQUIRED:

State of Texas Class B (commercial) driver's license.