**KLAMATH IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

OPEN: 9 January 2023

HOURLY X

**JOB DESCRIPTION**

**POSITION**: Relief Ditch rider – Maintenance

**RESPONSIBLE TO**: Management

**COMPENSATION**: Pay type: Hourly. Range: $18.35 - $21.84

Successful applicant from within District filling the position shall be placed on probation in the new position for a period of up to one year. At completion of 6 months $0.65/hour pay increase. Full rate at completion of 1st year.

**CLASSIFICATION**: Union, Regular Full-Time

**LOCATION**: Klamath Irrigation District

6640 KID Ln

Klamath Falls, OR 97603

**SUMMARY**:

Patrols a designated area and controls irrigation water flows in canals and drains. Interacts with water users and other Ditch-Riders to coordinate demands for irrigation. Checks all District facilities for proper operation and maintenance conditions. Participates in maintenance and repair of District facilities.

This position is supervised and is a Union or fair share job. Employees will be required to have and maintain a valid **Class A** driver’s license. Overtime when required is mandatory. Compliance with the district drug and alcohol program is required. Certification for operating equipment or other duties may be required.

**ESSENTIAL DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES**:

The following may not be all inclusive and other duties may be assigned.

DITCH RIDER

* Familiarize yourself with assigned area (Ride) approximately 7500 acres, including location of canals, laterals, and drains; turnouts, checks, spills, and other structures; District Patrons (Water-users)
* Take water orders from water-users and other Ditch-Riders by phone and in the field.
* Compile water orders and request proper quantities of water from the Watermaster and other Rides.
* Operate gates, checks, turnouts, and spills to properly regulate water flow in canals and drains.
* Operate and perform minor maintenance on pumps.
* Clean and maintain culvert crossings, pump inlet grates, checks and spills. This involves removing debris with a long handled weed fork.
* Patrol Ride daily performing the above tasks. Check for and document leaks, breaks, and damage to irrigation facilities and water user property.
* Calculate and record dates, times, and quantities of water requested and used by water users for use in compiling data for monthly water reports. Including individual user sheets and monthly delivery sheets. Collect and records information for annual crop report. Identifying crops and estimating acreages.
* Collect and record information for repair and maintenance of the Districts irrigation system and facilities.
* Maintain a good working relationship with District water users.
* Keep records of the operation of District vehicles and equipment.
* Responsible for cleaning of vehicles and equipment.
* Other duties as assigned by a Supervisor or the Manager.

MAINTENANCE

* Operation and service of heavy equipment and vehicles, including backhoes, excavators, loaders, dozers, forklifts, cranes & hoists, graders, mowers and other district vehicles.
* Excavating, loading, earth, rock, and other materials.
* Loading and unloading equipment on trailers.
* Repair of District structures.
* Welding, cutting, and grinding steel.
* Painting.
* Assisting Mechanic with repair of District vehicles and equipment.
* Use of a variety of hand and power tools.
* Mixing, placing, and finishing concrete.
* Construction of wooden structures – bridges, forms for concrete, etc.
* Traffic control (Flagging)
* Keeping records of operation of District vehicles and equipment.
* Cleaning District vehicles and equipment.
* Other duties as assigned by Supervisors or Manager.

**EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE**:

* High school diploma or equivalent
* Basic math and problem-solving skills
* Pass pre-employment and random drug and alcohol testing
* Valid Oregon driver license
* First aid and CPR certification (the District will provide training)
* The ability to comprehend and adhere to District policies and procedures

**WORK SCHEDULE**:

This is an hourly position requiring beyond the minimum of 40 hour per week. Normal hours are 10 days on/ 4 days off during water season, and Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. during the off season. This position will require work beyond these days and times on a regular basis.

**DRUG POLICY**:

Klamath Irrigation District enforces a drug free work place. Successful applicants will be required to submit a drug testing.

**BACKGROUND**:

Must pass a criminal background check in order to be eligible for employment.