# JOB ADVERTISEMENT SEWAGE PLANT AND WASTEWATER COLLECTION OPERATOR TRAINEE

The Perry County Fiscal Court is seeking a motivated and dedicated individual to join our team as a Sewage Plant and Wastewater Collection Line Operator Trainee.

## JOB SUMMARY:

The Sewage Plant and Collection Line Operator Trainee is an entry-level position designed for individuals interested in pursuing a career in wastewater treatment and sewage system maintenance. The trainee will work under the supervision of an experienced operator, gaining hands-on experience in the operation, maintenance, and monitoring of sewage treatment facilities and collection lines. Participates in on-the-job training to become certified as an operator of a sewage treatment plant and collection line system; and performs other duties as required. The goal is to develop the skills and knowledge required to become a certified operator and contribute to the efficient and compliant operation of the wastewater system.

#### **KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:**

# • Training and Development:

- Participate in on-the-job training to learn the operation, monitoring, and maintenance of wastewater treatment equipment and collection systems.
- Assist experienced operators in collecting and testing water samples to ensure compliance with environmental standards.
- Learn to monitor flow rates, pressure levels, and chemical treatments under supervision.
- Employee will be required to attend training through the Kentucky Division of Water and become a Certified Wastewater Treatment and Collection Line Operator.
- Other duties as assigned

## Assisting in Maintenance:

- Support the inspection, maintenance, and repair of plant equipment and collection lines as directed by senior operators.
- Assist in troubleshooting mechanical and electrical issues related to wastewater treatment processes.
- Maintain accurate records of training activities and work performed during the trainee period.

## Collection Line Operations Support:

- Aid in inspecting and maintaining sewer lines, lift stations, and other components of the wastewater collection system.
- Assist in responding to emergencies such as line breaks, blockages, or system malfunctions, following the guidance of senior staff.

 Learn the procedures for the installation, repair, and replacement of sewer lines and related infrastructure.

# Compliance and Safety Awareness:

- Follow all safety protocols and wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) while on duty.
- Learn about local, state, and federal environmental regulations related to wastewater treatment.
- Assist in preparing basic reports and logs, developing skills in recordkeeping and documentation.

## **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- **Education:** High school diploma or GED required. Interest in wastewater treatment, environmental science, or a related field is preferred.
- **Experience:** No prior experience required; on-the-job training will be provided.
- Licenses/Certifications:
  - Valid driver's license required.
  - Willingness to pursue state certification as a wastewater treatment plant and collection line operator.

## **SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES:**

- Willingness to learn and develop technical skills in wastewater treatment.
- Basic mechanical aptitude and interest in troubleshooting equipment
- Ability to follow instructions, work as part of a team, and communicate effectively.
- Attention to detail and commitment to maintaining a safe and compliant work environment.

# **WORKING CONDITIONS:**

- Trainee may be exposed to hazardous chemicals, unpleasant odors, and varying weather conditions.
- Physical requirements include standing, walking, climbing ladders, lifting heavy objects, and working in confined spaces.
- May require occasional on-call availability for emergencies, with support from senior staff.

#### **HOW TO APPLY:**

Interested candidates can obtain an application by contacting Holly Caudill (606) 439-1816 or Angelia Hall (606) 436-9792 at the Perry County Fiscal Court, 481 Main Street, Suite 100, Hazard, KY 41701 or submit a resume' by email to <a href="mailto:hazardperrygrants@yahoo.com">hazardperrygrants@yahoo.com</a>. Applications/Resumes' are due by 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 31, 2024.

## **EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY STATEMENT:**

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