

Specification for Class of

HABITAT TECHNICIAN 3

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Definition: Within the Department of Fish and Wildlife, independently manages public access areas in multiple watersheds for fish and wildlife oriented public use. Conducts or coordinates renovation, remodeling, repair or maintenance of access area buildings, facilities, and grounds.

Distinguishing Characteristics: Positions work independently throughout multiple watersheds. Positions perform work in a variety of trades such as: carpentry, plumbing, electrical, welding, mechanics, and small engine repair. Positions perform season and long-range planning of projects to be completed throughout the multiple watersheds.

Typical Work

Conducts inspections of access sites to ensure health and safety compliance, identifies, inspects, and corrects facilities' problems over multiple watersheds;

Maintains good safety and public relations practices; has continuous contact with the public responding to a variety of fish and wildlife inquiries or complaints; provides department information and resolves access area complaints; advises enforcement personnel of potentially illegal or disruptive actions;

Applies herbicides and pesticides requiring an applicator's license to control and eradicate noxious weeds;

Performs work from plans or sketches in the construction and repair of buildings and other structures, roadways, pathways, fences, marine docks, floats, piers, and related facilities on land under department jurisdiction; estimates materials and time needed to complete the job;

Operates, cleans, maintains, and stores construction tools and equipment; arranges for the purchase of repair or replacement parts, or for the rental or lease of privately owned equipment;

Operates road equipment used in construction, snow removal, and similar maintenance activities; operates small bulldozer and other earth moving equipment in clearing and leveling land or making

ditches; greases, oils, services, and makes minor repairs to equipment; keeps equipment in good working order; makes emergency adjustments;

Performs oxyacetylene, arc, and other types of welding and burning work;

Repairs plumbing fixtures, cutting and threading pipe, bending pipe, replacing pump bushings and washers, testing valves and other plumbing equipment;

May act as a project coordinator; heading and training work crews in construction and maintenance projects and use of equipment; schedules, coordinates, and supervises the work of seasonal personnel when available;

Prepares reports; schedules maintenance; schedules equipment; assists in developing projects including determining materials, equipment, and manpower needs;

Plans for operations; determining costs, obtaining bids, purchasing supplies and materials, and monitoring budgets;

Reviews and interprets maps, draws rudimentary maps, sketches, and improvement plans, notes land use, land condition, and necessary improvements;

Clears brush, trees, and other vegetation on lands under department jurisdiction; trims, prunes, weeds, sows seeds, cleans litter, mows grass, marks and sets stakes, works as the axman or rear chainman on a survey party;

Assists in department activities conducted by other divisions;

Performs other duties as required.

#### Knowledge and Abilities

Knowledge of: pesticide laws and application techniques; techniques of public relations and public information; methods, tools, and materials used in servicing and maintaining equipment; standard practices, methods, materials, tools, and equipment of the carpentry, plumbing, welding, electrical, and mechanical trades.

Ability to: work independently; identify and eradicate noxious weeds; write clearly; work effectively with diverse interest groups; travel as necessary to be able to carry out the responsibilities of the position; develop workplans and schedules; estimate time and materials necessary to complete jobs; work from

blueprints, plans, or sketches; repair and operate equipment; meet with the public; keep records and write reports; operate medium duty construction equipment in a safe and skillful manner such as: a truck 28,000 to 54,000 GVW, farm and utility type wheel tractors, crawler tractors having less than 50 net flywheel HP, track or wheel loaders under 3 cu. yds., tractor mounted backhoes of 55 net flywheel HP or less, and other types of equipment; perform plumbing, carpentry, welding, and electrical repairs.

Minimum Qualifications

Two years experience as a Habitat Technician 2,

OR

Three years experience as a General Repairer or equivalent.

An unrestricted (other than corrective lenses) drivers license.

NOTE: Applicants may be required to obtain the following licenses: Pesticide, Herbicide.

NOTE: The Department of Fish and Wildlife will designate the need for a Commercial Drivers license (CDL) with specific endorsements. Candidates selected for CDL positions will be tested for use of controlled substance and alcohol misuse as required by the 1991 Federal Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act.

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