

**CITY OF SALEM  
EQUIPMENT OPERATOR III**

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**NATURE OF WORK**

This is skilled work in the operation of a variety of heavy equipment.

Work involves responsibility for the application of considerable skill and manipulative ability to the operation of heavy and varied construction equipment. Work of this class is distinguished not only by the nature of the equipment operated, but also by the variety of equipment used, the nature of special assignments undertaken, and initiative required, and the special tolerances and hazards involved. An employee of this class is also required to perform routine running repair of field maintenance tasks upon equipment operated and occasionally participates with journey level mechanics in overhaul and maintenance work. Supervision consists primarily of job performance and progress checks made at work sites.

**ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK**

(Any single position of a class will not usually involve all of the duties listed and many positions will involve duties which are not listed.)

Operates heavy diesel-powered tank trucks and field spreading vehicles used in the land disposal of biogro.

Operates power shovel to excavate and backfill trench in the repairing of sewer lines; places sewer lines; operates other sewer construction and maintenance equipment.

Operates cranes of various sizes, track loaders and dozers, and other heavy equipment in the maintenance, repair, and construction of storm water drainage and streets; operates heavy equipment in a variety of park construction and maintenance projects.

Performs minor field maintenance or running repairs on power shovels and other heavy equipment; participates with journeyman mechanics in field or shop maintenance.

Operates any and all other types of heavy or light construction, maintenance, and repair equipment when so requested.

Performs other related work as required.

**WORK QUALIFICATIONS**

Thorough experience in progressively responsible equipment operation experience including considerable experience in the operation of heavy construction equipment; or any equivalent combination of experience or training which provides the following knowledges, skills, and abilities:

Considerable knowledge of heavy and specialized equipment.

Considerable knowledge of the component parts and operating principles of heavy equipment and of adaptations and specialized uses to which equipment can be put in meeting emergency or other unusual conditions.

Knowledge of the geography and physical layout of the City of Salem.

Knowledge of the traffic laws of the State of Oregon.

Knowledge of the occupational hazards involved and the safety precautions necessary in equipment operation.

Ability to service various types of equipment and to make minor running repairs upon them.

Ability to perform a variety of maintenance, repair, and construction assignments.

Ability to understand written and oral instructions.

Physical strength and agility sufficient to do strenuous laboring tasks under varying weather conditions.

Possession of a valid Oregon driver's license or Class 4 license and the ability to meet City driving standards.

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Personnel Director