



## JOB DESCRIPTION

<b>Title</b>	Parks Operator II	<b>Pay Grade</b>	07 Outside
<b>Department</b>	Community Services	<b>Location</b>	Arena (Parks Compound)
<b>Supervisor</b>	Director of Community Services	<b>Reviewed</b>	May 2024

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### Nature and Scope of Work

Reporting to the Parks Operations Lead Hand, the Parks Operator II performs a variety of skilled and unskilled work. The majority of the work will consist of year-round outside work in all weather conditions but may also involve inside work in municipal facilities as required.

### Duties

1. Fulfill irrigation tasks including start-up and programming of irrigation systems, assessing system functionality, suggesting system improvements, system repairs, system design work, installation of new zones and zone extensions, winterizing and maintaining a work vehicle and stocking parts.
2. Assist in the maintenance of the District's landscape and recreational areas which includes gardens, flower beds, hanging baskets, boulevards, beaches, parks, trails, docks, buildings, walkways, and the tree nursery at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.
3. Repair of turf, apply sod, and seed as required.
4. Perform pruning, cutting, potting, planting, watering, propagation, and maintenance of plants, flowers, trees, shrubs, and grass areas.
5. Assist in the herbicide and pesticide programs.
6. Operate a variety of equipment including trucks, tractors, and a variety of specialty landscape equipment.
7. Performs garbage collection route, litter picking, and snow removal as required.
8. Performs janitorial duties including cleaning park washrooms and pit toilets.
9. Answer general questions and inquiries from the public regarding landscaping.
10. Assist in the design, maintenance, and development of landscaped areas, including the use of xeriscaping techniques for sound irrigation practices.
11. Municipal building maintenance, and other Parks related duties.
12. Performs other duties as required.

### Required Skills and Knowledge

1. Demonstrated ability to:

- perform heavy manual work in a variety of conditions;
  - operate computers, computer software, and GPS equipment at a level of competency sufficient to perform the outlined duties;
  - support a cooperative and efficient working environment;
  - operate a variety of hand, power, and specialized tools, as well as machinery, vehicles, and equipment in accordance with recognized safe operating procedures;
  - read and interpret landscape plans, layouts, and designs; and
  - exercise courtesy, tact, and diplomacy in the exchange of information with other District employees, private contractors, and members of the public.
2. Comprehensive knowledge of:
- Irrigation, gardening and landscaping;
  - landscaping methods and practices including the use of tools and equipment;
  - spraying equipment and hazardous material safety regulations;
  - horticultural practices including pruning techniques and the application of fertilizers, herbicides, and pesticides;
  - WorkSafeBC and general health, safety and environmental policies and procedures for parks operator tasks and responsibilities;
  - safe equipment operation including, but not limited to, landscape equipment, garden tools, and spray equipment; and

### **Required Qualifications**

1. Previous experience in maintaining irrigation systems, landscape maintenance or related fields.
2. One of either:
  - a. Turf Science Level 1 or other relevant Turf Management Course(s),  
OR
  - b. Certified Irrigation Technician Level 1, and the ability and willingness to obtain Certified Irrigation Technician Level 2.

Based on operational requirements, the willingness to obtain the other qualification (“a” or “b” above) as required.
3. MOE Pesticide Applicator Certification or the ability and willingness to obtain.
4. B.C. Driver’s Licence - Class 5 with a clean Driver’s Abstract.
5. Valid First Aid Certificate or an ability and willingness to obtain one.

### **Remuneration and Hours of Work**

1. Remuneration in accordance with Schedule “A” of the CUPE Collective Agreement.
2. The normal work day shall consist of a scheduled period of eight (8) consecutive hours of work and the normal work week shall consist of five (5) consecutive days, followed by two (2) days off. Weekend work during peak seasons may be scheduled; work week may not be consecutive all year.