

**Walla Walla County
Position Description**

JOB TITLE: Vegetation/Traffic Control Management Worker
DEPARTMENT: Public Works Department
REPORTS TO: Vegetation/Traffic Control Management Foreman
PAY GRADE: Group 1, Full-time (40 hrs./wk.); PW Union, Benefits Apply

JOB SUMMARY: This position involved in vegetation management and signing/stripping management programs. It includes safe, efficient, and skilled operation of vegetation management and sign/stripping equipment or other road maintenance equipment. Performs daily maintenance activities on associated county road vegetation control, signing and striping activities; assists with road and bridge maintenance activities as required; tasks including manual labor, flagging and traffic control. Position subject to call-out for emergencies and may be required to perform duties at irregular hours that are dependent on weather conditions.

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES: Supervision is not a requirement of this position. May require coordination of job site activities where equipment being operated is central to the activity of work being done.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

- Operate various vegetation management, sign maintenance and pavement marking equipment.
- Install, replace, and maintain traffic control and other road signs and pavement markings in accordance with state and federal guidelines.
- Use and apply products for chemical control of vegetation on county road right of way.
- Apply deicing chemicals to county roads.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES:

- Operate aerial man-lift truck for sign maintenance and tree trimming.
- Install road signs.
- Apply weed control chemicals and pesticides in county right-of-way.
- Participate in seasonal operation of paint striping activities.
- Perform daily preventive maintenance on equipment and assist in servicing equipment as requested.
- Gather data in various formats including using Global Positioning Systems.
- Assist in maintaining written or electronic inventories of signs, paint, vegetation control products, sign posts, and other materials.
- Perform traffic control duties.
- Perform other duties as assigned.

EQUIPMENT TO BE USED:

- Spray trucks, skid mount sprayers, ATV sprayer, pick-up trucks, back-pack sprayers, forklift, paint striper, man-lift truck, tractor mower, lawn mowers, chainsaws, snow blower, hand tools, and other power hand-tools.

WORKING ENVIRONMENT/PHYSICAL ABILITIES:

- Work is performed indoors or outdoors, day or night, and in or on, equipment in normal and adverse weather conditions.
- Requires ability to lift up to 50 pounds, bend, reach, twist, walk, stand and sit for extended periods.
- Requires good manual dexterity and motor coordination.
- Must wear safety equipment, e.g., gloves, glasses, shoes or other personal protection as required.
- Physical strength to perform repetitive manual tasks for extended periods.

KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES:

- Knowledge of occupational hazards and safety precautions applicable to the work environment.
- Knowledge of herbicide/pesticide application procedures, including sufficient math and mechanical aptitude to properly adjust and operate equipment.
- Knowledge of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices.
- Knowledge of the practices, methods, and materials used in various road maintenance activities.
- Knowledge of environmental regulations applicable to work activities.
- Ability in proper use, safety, care and maintenance of equipment.
- Ability to use office equipment, including computers.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective and harmonious working relations with supervisors, co-workers, other departments, other agencies and the public.
- Ability to communicate with supervisors and co-workers and to understand and execute both oral and written instructions.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE: High School or GED equivalent required. Minimum of two (2) years experience in road maintenance operations, vegetation management and/or traffic control.

LICENSES AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

- Must possess and maintain a valid Class A Commercial Drivers License (CDL) with a tanker endorsement and have driving record free from serious or frequent traffic violations.
- Must obtain a State Labor and Industries Traffic Control Flagging Certificate.
- Must possess or obtain (within 6 months) a valid State Department of Agriculture Right-of-Way License.
- Must obtain Basic First Aid/CPR certification.
- Requires obtaining International Municipal Signal Association (IMSA) Signs & Markings Level I & II certifications and all prerequisites.
- Must successfully pass a background check, driving record check, a pre-employment drug and alcohol screening test prior to beginning employment.

THIS POSITION DESCRIPTION DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT FOR EMPLOYMENT