



## SOLID WASTE OPERATOR

**CLASS SUMMARY:** To perform maintenance activities and operate equipment in waste transfer and landfill operations and related projects.

**CLASS CHARACTERISTICS:** This is the journey level class within the Solid Waste series. This class is distinguished from the Solid Waste Worker by the assignment of the full range of duties, including the operation of solid waste transfer and landfill equipment. Employees at this level are fully aware of the operating procedures within the work unit and receive only occasional instruction or assistance as new or unusual situations arise.

**SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED:** Receives general supervision from a Solid Waste Supervisor, and technical and functional supervision from a Lead Worker. Receives technical and functional supervision from a Solid Waste Senior Operator.

**TYPICAL CLASS ESSENTIAL DUTIES:** (These duties are a representative sample; position assignments may vary.)

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| 1. | Operates equipment in waste management transfer and landfilling activities.  |
| 2. | Performs work assignments at transfer sites and at the landfill.   |
| 3. | <b><i>Transfer.</i></b> Employees assigned to the Waste Management transfer crew will perform activities related to the preparation and transport of waste from transfer stations to end destinations.   |
| 4. | <b><i>Landfill.</i></b> Employees assigned to the landfill crew will perform activities related to the constructions and maintenance of a municipal solid waste landfill, including, but not limited to, moving and processing of waste, preparation for installation of landfill gas well, and leachate operations and transport. |
| 5. | May perform Solid Waste Senior Operator duties in a training capacity or out-of-class assignments, provided any required licenses and related requirements have been obtained.   |

**Knowledge of** (position requirements at entry):

- Operation and maintenance of solid waste transfer and landfill equipment.
- Methods and materials used in solid waste transfer and landfill management.
- Basic safety practices and procedures.

**Ability to** (position requirements at entry):

- Operate solid waste transfer and landfill equipment.
- Perform skilled labor.
- Perform strenuous physical labor in sometimes adverse weather conditions.
- Understand and follow written and verbal instructions.
- Perform work to engineering specifications.

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**Training and Experience** (positions in this class typically require):

Formal or informal education or training which ensures the ability to read and write at a level necessary for successful job performance. Two years of experience in the operation of a variety of over-the-road transport and/or landfill construction equipment, including experience performing semi-skilled and skilled tasks. An equivalent combination of experience and training that will demonstrate the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying.

**Licensing Requirements** (positions in this class may require):

Possession of a valid unrestricted Oregon Class A with required endorsements and medical card.

**NOTE:** This position is represented by Lane Co Assoc. Local 626.

**Classification History:**

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt  
Established per BO 19-10-15-09.