

# Los Alamos County



**JOB TITLE: Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Apprentice 1, 2**  
**CLASSIFICATION: Non-Exempt**  
**DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Utilities/Gas, Water and Sewer Services**  
**SUPERVISOR: Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisor**

**Salary Range: Apprentice 1-\$21.42**  
**Apprentice 2-\$23.81**

**All newly hired Los Alamos County employees are required to be fully vaccinated from COVID-19 per the current Centers for Disease Control (CDC) definition as a condition of their employment.**

## **Position Summary:**

Under direct supervision of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisor, assists with maintenance of wastewater treatment facilities, wastewater laboratory and sludge composting facilities. Maintains confidentiality of all privileged information.

## **Minimum Qualifications:**

- High School Diploma or GED.
- One year experience in wastewater treatment operations or electrical and mechanical maintenance.
- Must possess and maintain New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Wastewater Level I certification, or equivalent from another jurisdiction. If certified in another jurisdiction, must receive New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Wastewater Level I certification within six months of employment.
- Must possess or obtain a wastewater bio-solids compost facility operator technical certification within one year of employment and maintain certification thereafter.
- Must possess and maintain a CDL-B driver's license with air brakes and tanker endorsements within sixty days of employment. If licensed in another state, must transfer licensure to New Mexico within sixty days of employment.
- Must possess First Aid and Defensive Driving certifications within one year of employment and maintain certification thereafter.
- Successful completion of the pre-employment physical exam prior to commencing work.
- Successful completion of mandatory drug screening and subsequent random drug and alcohol screenings.
- Successful completion of annual fit testing for use of a half face air purifying respirator.

## **Additional Minimum Qualifications for Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Apprentice 2:**

- Additional one year experience in wastewater treatment operations, including experience with basic electrical and mechanical maintenance.
- Must possess and maintain New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Wastewater Level II certification, or equivalent from another jurisdiction. If certified in another jurisdiction, must receive New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Wastewater Level II certification within six months of employment.

## **Preferred Qualifications:**

- Experience in arc welding and oxygen/acetylene welding.
- Experience in sludge composting operations.

## **Apply online at:**

**<https://selfservice.losalamosnm.us/ess/employmentopportunities/default.aspx>**

For more information call 505-662-8040.