# MATAWA FIRST NATIONS MANAGEMENT



## Job Description

## Water Treatment Operator

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### PURPOSE OF THE POSITION

The purpose of the Water Treatment Operator position is to provide Operator Support for our 9 Matawa communities in an effective and efficient manner.

## **SCOPE**

The 'Water Treatment Operator' will be a part of the Matawa Technical Services team and will report to the Manager of Technical Services at the Thunder Bay office. Guidance and coordination will be provided by the Technical Services department. The Water Treatment Operator will also be required to respond to emergencies and assist the First Nations with addressing issues related to water and wastewater. The Water Treatment Operator will work closely with the Electrician, Operators, Maintenance Technician, and contractors of the Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Facilities and its subsidiary buildings in Matawa's nine First Nations communities.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES**

#### Water Treatment Operators duties:

Provide overall Operator Services to Matawa's nine communities.

#### **Main Duties**

- Report problems and determine parts needed for repairs to the Operations and Travel to the 9 member communities to oversee the water and wastewater plant operations
- Trouble-shooting problems with Operator, on-site or over the phone
- Attend water plant design meetings
- Provide hands-on-training to Water Treatment Operators
- Conduct Preventive Maintenance with First Nation Operators
- Provide On-Site training and part-time supervision recognized by the Ministry so operators can obtain higher level of certification
- Make changes to chemical dosing, metering,
- Ensure monitoring and documenting of daily and weekly parameters,
- Collect and Monitor Bacteriological Sampling with onsite equipment and coordinating laboratory sampling
- Collect and Analyze results for chemical testing and per regulations
- Collect and analyze results of samples for wastewater as per wastewater regulation
- Inform Administration/3rd Party Managers/Band Managers, cost to maintain or repair infrastructure
- Conduct checks on equipment and make changes or have electrician, plumber or other trades person make changes
- Assist with developing Preventive Maintenance Plan,
- Assist with developing Emergency Response Plan

## KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS

#### Knowledge

The incumbent must have proficient knowledge in the following areas:

- Thorough knowledge of water and wastewater plant operations.
- Knowledge of Ontario Drinking Water Regulation,
- Knowledge of Provincial and Federal Wastewater Regulations
- Knowledge and experience with Conventional Water Treatment Systems
- Knowledge of pressure tank filtration systems, pumps, metering, jar testing, chemical metering, flow data etc.
- Knowledge of Wastewater Systems Sewage Collection Systems, Lagoons and Rotating Biological Contactors, (RBCs)

#### **Requirements**

- Must hold a minimum Class 2 Water Treatment Operator License within the province of Ontario.
- Must be "fully vaccinated" against COVID-19. (In Ontario, a "fully vaccinated individual" is defined as one who has received the required number of doses as outlined by Health Canada and they have received their final dose of the COVID-19 vaccine at least 14 days ago.).

#### <u>Skills</u>

The incumbent must demonstrate the following skills:

- Ability to use water and wastewater monitoring equipment
- Trouble -shooting problems with plant operations,
- Flushing hydrants, operating main valves one distribution systems
- Removing and reinstalling sewage pumps,
- Able to communicate with suppliers on parts needed,
- Able to analyze and understand as-built drawings.

## **WORKING CONDITIONS**

Working conditions can change dramatically, from one job to another, varying from indoors in clean conditions to outdoors on scaffolding, and to confined and restricted locations. Safe work practices are essential.

Must be able to work in water and wastewater treatment plant environment, including exposure to noise, outdoors, vibrations, chemicals, mechanical and electrical hazards, dirt, fumes. heat, cold dampeners, and travel to different sites and locations. To be available to respond to emergency call outs or disasters.

#### **Physical Demands**

The Water Treatment Operator may have to travel throughout the community in all weather. They may have to lift, carry and manage equipment and supplies. They may have to work odd or long hours at a time to complete special requests or projects. The Water Treatment Operator may have to spend long hours sitting and using office equipment, computers and attending meetings.

#### **Environmental Conditions**

The Water Treatment Operator may have to manage a number of people and projects at one time, and they may be interrupted frequently to meet the needs and requests of member First Nation leaders and members. The Water Treatment Operator may find the environment to be busy, noisy and will need excellent organizational and time and stress management skills to complete the required tasks.

#### **Mental Demands**

The Water Treatment Operator will have to manage a number of requests and projects at one time. They must be aware of all Tribal Council business in the community and any and all relevant legislation, policies and procedures. They may have to complete a number of tasks and responsibilities at one time, and must be prepared to deal with emergencies and stressful situations at any time.

## **CERTIFICATION**

Employee Signature	Supervisor's Title
Printed Name Date	Supervisor's Signature Date
I certify that I have read and understand the responsibilities assigned to this position.	I certify that this job description is an accurate description of the responsibilities assigned to the position.
Chief Executive Officer's Signature Date	
I approve the delegation of responsibilities outlined herein within the context of the attached organizational structure.	

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by the incumbent(s) of this job. They are not intended to be an exhaustive list of all responsibilities and activities required of the position.