



CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST —WATER SYSTEM ENVIRONMENTAL OPERATOR

Savary Shores Improvement District (SSID) has a water distribution system serving 168 homes near the east end of the island. We are seeking Expressions of Interest from local individuals to fill the role of *Water System Environmental Operator*, or *Operator-in-Training*.

The deadline for applications is September 15, 2021, by mail, hand delivery, or email to the administrator: 604-414-8448, administrator@savaryshoreswater.ca

ABOUT THE POSITION

This is a permanent part-time position, currently averaging 20 hours per month for ongoing tasks and special projects. Wages are based on recorded work hours. SSID will propose a competitive starting wage, and will consider counter-proposals.

The Operator is responsible for the continued efficiency of the waterworks, and for collecting water samples. Some Operator tasks are hands-on, while others involve project management of other trades. The Operator is in charge of 4,900 metres of pipe, 2 wells, 2 pumps, 2 generators, 2 reservoirs, 5 outbuildings, a steel tower, 2 pump meters, 168 household meters, 13 hydrants, 13 hose cabinets, 4 standpipes, 17 gate valves, 4 air relief valves, and 8 water sampling stations.

The Operator is part of SSID's team that also includes 3 Trustees, 1 Administrator, 1 Meter Reader, and 1 or 2 Maintenance Staff.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Water system equipment maintenance, log keeping, and reporting
- Water sampling monthly, and transporting samples to Powell River
- Responding to emergencies, including water system equipment repair, chlorination flushing, and other tasks as may be needed to return the system to proper operation
- Providing on-site supervision of outside trades persons when required
- Equipment inventory management
- Participating in board meetings
- Operator's daily log-keeping for records and invoicing SSID
- Other duties as required

ABILITIES

- Mechanical proficiency
- Initiative and reliability
- Quality management
- Electrical understanding
- Emergency response and problem solving
- Communicating

CERTIFICATION and TRAINING

BC regulations require Environmental Operators Certification Program (EOCP) certification for most Operator tasks, but also allow entry-level Operators if in training. In the absence of certified applicants, SSID may assist with training expenses for Small Water System certification.

WORKING CONDITIONS

- Travel to/from Savary Island for ongoing work, and to/from Savary and Powell River to deliver water samples as required
- Physical requirements include lifting, standing and walking
- Non-standard hours of work during emergencies