

POSITION DUTY STATEMENT

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CLASSIFICATION TITLE CT Lndscp Maint Wkr	OFFICE/BRANCH/SECTION D2 / Maintenance & Operations / Field Maintenance	
WORKING TITLE Caltrans Landscape Maintenance Worker - Tree Crew	POSITION NUMBER 902-697-6297	REVISION DATE 01/09/2024

As a valued member of the Caltrans leadership team, you make it possible for the Department to provide a safe and reliable transportation network that serves all people and respects the environment.

GENERAL STATEMENT:

Working under the supervision of a Caltrans Tree Maintenance Supervisor in Special Crews, the Caltrans Landscape Maintenance Worker performs miscellaneous laboring duties in conjunction with the maintenance and repair of State highways and landscapes. The incumbent will work individually or with a crew, and may be loaned to another crew. A valid Class C driver's license is required. This position is represented under collective bargaining. This is a designated travel crew and works out of town on a per diem basis up to 80% of the year. Required to work overtime, nights and weekends due to storms, emergencies, or special work projects, as determined by the Supervisor or Department.

CORE COMPETENCIES:

As a CT Lndscp Maint Wkr, the incumbent is expected to become proficient in the following competencies as described below in order to successfully perform the essential functions of the job, while adhering to and promoting the Department's Mission, Vision, Values, Strategic Imperatives and Goals. Effective development of the identified Core Competencies fosters the advancement of the following Leadership Competencies: Change Commitment, Risk Appetite, Self-Development/Growth, Conflict Management, Relationship Building, Organizational Awareness, Communication, Strategic Perspective, and Results Driven.

- **Flexibility and Managing Uncertainty** : Adjusts thinking and behavior in order to adapt to changes in the job and work environment. (Safety First, Cultivate Excellence, Lead Climate Action - Innovation, Pride)
- **Dealing with Ambiguity (Risk):** Can comfortably handle risk and uncertainty, as well as make decisions to act without having the total picture. (Safety First, Lead Climate Action - Innovation, Integrity, Pride)
- **Ethics and Integrity:** Demonstrated concern to be perceived as responsible, reliable, and trustworthy. Respects the confidentiality of information or concern shared by others. Honest and forthright. Conforms to accepted standards of conduct. (Safety First, Cultivate Excellence - Integrity, Pride)
- **Conflict Management:** Recognizes differences in opinions and encourages open discussion. Uses appropriate interpersonal styles. Finds agreement on issues as appropriate. Deals effectively with others in conflict situation. (Safety First, Cultivate Excellence - Engagement, Integrity)
- **Interpersonal Savvy/Partnering:** Builds constructive and effective relationships, using diplomacy and tact. Is able to relate to a diverse set of individuals. (Safety First, Cultivate Excellence - Engagement, Pride)
- **Customer Focus:** Considers, prioritizes, and takes action on the needs of both internal and external customers. (Safety First, Strengthen Stewardship and Drive Efficiency, Advance Equity and Livability in all Communities - Equity, Integrity)
- **Communication:** Expresses oneself clearly in all forms of communication. Gives feedback and is receptive to feedback received. Knows that listening is essential. Keeps others in the Division and other functional units informed as appropriate. (Safety First, Cultivate Excellence, Strengthen Stewardship and Drive Efficiency - Engagement, Pride)
- **Forward Thinking:** Anticipates the implications and consequences of situations and takes appropriate actions to be prepared for possible contingencies. Anticipates and prepares for future developments. (Safety First, Strengthen Stewardship and Drive Efficiency - Innovation, Pride)
- **Thoroughness:** Ensures that work and information is complete and accurate. Ensures that assignment goals, objectives, and completion dates are met. Documents and reports on work progress. (Safety First, Cultivate Excellence - Integrity, Pride)

TYPICAL DUTIES:

Percentage Essential (E)/Marginal (M) ¹	Job Description
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45%	E	Works with a crew performing highway and landscape maintenance activities. Typical duties include tree trimming; loading, unloading and shoveling material; digging or repairing drainage ditches and culverts; clearing drainage inlets; picking up litter; weeding and pruning; planting and fertilizing; and rest area and irrigation repair. Operates light landscape, maintenance or construction equipment (pickup, cone truck, etc.). Keeps simple records. Required to work overtime, nights and weekends due to storms, emergencies, or special work projects, as determined by the Supervisor or Department.
20%	E	Operates chainsaw, weed-eater, lawnmower, brush chipper and other light equipment and hand tools. Performs repairs on the water system including wells, pumps, tanks, pipes, irrigation and controller repair. Works on traffic control: sets and picks up lane closure, traffic cones, flares, and advance work signs; acts as a flag-person; operates the pilot car, backup truck, and lane closure truck; operates a two-way radio. Required to work overtime, nights and weekends due to storms, emergencies, or special work projects, as determined by the Supervisor or Department.
20%	E	Assists with traffic control duties such as setting up lane closures, flagging operations, moving closures, and chain control. Removes obstacles, debris and carcasses from the travel way or state rights of way. May assist in the repair or replacement of signs, fence, and guardrail posts. Performs other duties as needed, including removing litter from highway roadsides, occasionally providing direction to probationers or Special Programs workers involved in litter removal, custodial work on state facilities, and minor repairs to equipment or facilities.
10%	E	Attends and participates in required training and safety meetings that may require travel.
5%	M	May also be assigned to perform non-equipment operation duties normally assigned to the class of Caltrans Highway Maintenance Worker.

¹ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS are the core duties of the position that cannot be reassigned.

MARGINAL FUNCTIONS are the minor tasks of the position that can be assigned to others.

SUPERVISION OR GUIDANCE EXERCISED OVER OTHERS

This position does not supervise. May at any time be placed in charge of a work crew.

KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES, AND ANALYTICAL REQUIREMENTS

Must have knowledge of materials, methods, equipment, and tools used in highway maintenance, landscaping, and construction; operation and care of automotive equipment, including light trucks; provisions of the California Vehicle Code as it pertains to the loading and operation of motor vehicles; and rules and regulations pertaining to highway maintenance practices.

Must have the ability to work safely around high-density traffic, the knowledge of basic safe work practices to protect safety and health of self and others, and ability to keep records of equipment use and servicing.

Must have the ability to work effectively alone or with others and follow directions at a level required for successful job performance.

Possession of a valid Class C California Driver's License is required.

Must be able to analyze various work situations accurately and make sound decisions.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR DECISIONS AND CONSEQUENCES OF ERROR

Error may endanger co-workers and/or the public. Error may also cause a waste of time and waste of tax dollars through extra expense in the maintenance of highways, landscapes, or damage to state equipment and facilities.

PUBLIC AND INTERNAL CONTACTS

Required to maintain good relations with members of the public and employees from the same and other departments within Caltrans, as well as other agencies. May have contact with other public agencies and private individuals almost daily in the course of assignment. Contact may be with hostile public, and employee is expected to maintain a favorable public image for the

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PHYSICAL, MENTAL, AND EMOTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Employee must be able to follow supervisor's instructions; refrain from insubordination; get along with supervisors, peers and subordinates; avoid violent behavior; understand and follow Caltrans policies; and avoid disruptive or harassing behavior.

Much of this position is labor intensive. Incumbent must have physical ability to react quickly to errant motorist(s) and perform strenuous hand and mechanical labor.

Importance of hearing and seeing: both are essential on the job because the worker must hear directions, equipment, and errant motorists, and must see in order to perform his/her duty safely. Hearing should be adequate to hear warning devices used for worker safety such as look out alarm devices, including vehicle horns used to warn employees of imminent danger at the work site.

Corrected hearing is acceptable. Hearing protection must be worn at all times around the vactor and other loud machinery that emits high levels of audio decibels. There may be hearing testing on an annual basis.

Sight needs to be corrected to the State of California Department of Motor Vehicles standards for safe vehicle driving. Night vision must be at least adequate for safety when working after dark.

Most duties require prolonged standing, especially flagging. Digging, shoveling, litter removal, crack sealing require prolonged standing with stooping. Loading/unloading materials involves moving sacks (weight to 50-pounds), or may be done by the shovelful from a stockpile. If assigned to assist with guardrail replacement, incumbent and partner will move a guardrail section (50-75 pounds), typically 50 feet from truck to work area. Work is often done over uneven terrain.

From time to time, incumbent will perform repetitive tasks. Even in these circumstances, paying close attention to traffic and equipment is imperative.

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WORK ENVIRONMENT

Required to work in a wide range of sometimes extreme conditions, including heat up to 120 degrees, cold to -15 degrees, strong winds, rain, sleet, and snow.

During the winter months the workweek is normally 5/8-hour days. During the summer months the workweeks may be changed to 4/10-hour days. The scheduling of the 5/8 days or the 4/10 days is at the discretion of the District Management and pursuant to operational needs. Incumbent may be scheduled to work the night shift during the months of December, January, February, and March or as scheduled by the Maintenance Supervisor.

Required to work overtime, nights and weekends due to storms, emergencies, or special work projects, as determined by the Supervisor or Department.

Required to work at great heights.

Personal safety requirements include:

- A. Work boots, in good and sturdy condition, must be worn to provide foot and ankle support protection.
- B. Either long or short sleeved shirts provided by Caltrans, or a safety vest is to be worn over non-safety shirts or coats.
- C. Long pants. No shorts or cutoffs.
- D. Provided safety gear; hard hat, safety glasses; hearing protection devices, face shields, gloves, respirator, chaps, and/or other safety gear must be worn when required by the Department.

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I have read, understand and can perform the duties listed above. (If you believe you may require reasonable accommodation, please discuss this with your hiring supervisor. If you are unsure whether you require reasonable accommodation, inform the hiring supervisor who will discuss your concerns with the Reasonable Accommodation Coordinator.)

EMPLOYEE (Print)

EMPLOYEE (Signature)

DATE

I have discussed the duties with, and provided a copy of this duty statement to the employee named above.

SUPERVISOR (Print)

SUPERVISOR (Signature)

DATE