

Job Title: Water Manager

Location: Smithfield, Utah Company: Smithfield Irrigation Company Employment Type: Full-Time or Part-Time (Shared Role Possible)

Position Overview

The Water Manager performs the distribution, monitoring of water resources and equipment operation for the company's secondary irrigation systems. This seasonal role spans the active irrigation period from April 1 to October 31, with additional responsibilities for pre-season preparation, post-season maintenance, and year-round coordination with excavation projects. The position may be filled by a single full-time applicant or shared between two or more part-time individuals.

Key Responsibilities

Develop and manage water delivery schedules based on seasonal demand, crop needs, and system capacity

Monitor water usage and system performance to ensure efficient distribution and minimal waste

Conduct pre-season system inspections and prepare infrastructure for operation (e.g., valve checks, preparing diversions)

Perform post-season maintenance and winterization of irrigation systems

Respond to Blue Stakes utility locate requests by identifying and marking irrigation pipelines and infrastructure

Coordinate with contractors, municipalities, and utility companies on excavation projects that may impact the irrigation system

Maintain accurate records of water usage, system inspections, service logs, and infrastructure changes

Keep company maps and documentation updated as system modifications occur

Communicate with Board of Directors and shareholders regarding water availability and scheduling

Ensure compliance with local, state, and federal water regulations

Perform minor maintenance and repairs on company equipment as needed. Schedule and oversee major repairs with approved contractors.

If part-time/shared: Collaborate with co-managers to ensure seamless coverage and consistent operations

Seasonal Timeline

Pre-Season Prep: March

Active Irrigation Season: April 1 – October 31

Post-Season Maintenance: November

Excavation Coordination & Utility Locates: Year-round

Qualifications

Associate or Bachelor's degree in Agriculture, Environmental Science, Water Resource Management, or related field (or equivalent experience)

3+ years of experience in irrigation or water management, preferably in agricultural or municipal settings

Familiarity with Blue Stakes (or equivalent utility notification systems) and pipeline locating procedures

Strong understanding of irrigation systems, water conservation practices, and regulatory compliance

Mechanically inclined and capable of performing basic equipment maintenance

Proficient with computers and mapping tools; able to update infrastructure records and digital maps

Excellent organizational skills and ability to maintain a calm, professional demeanor during conflict or high-pressure situations

Reliable vehicle and valid driver's license required

Must be reachable by phone 24/7 during the irrigation season

Ability to work independently and manage multiple priorities

Preferred Skills

Certified Agricultural Irrigation Specialist (CAIS) or similar certification

Experience coordinating with excavation crews and utility companies

Familiarity with secondary water systems and seasonal irrigation cycles

Experience with budgeting and resource planning



Work Structure

Full-Time Option: One applicant assumes full responsibility for the role

Part-Time Option: Two or more applicants share responsibilities, with coordinated scheduling and task division

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