

Position: Wastewater Plant Operator Class I

Location: Goshen, CT

The Woodridge Lake Sewer District in Goshen, CT is looking to fill a Wastewater Operator Class I position. Responsibilities include operating, maintaining, and repairing a 100,000-gallon-per-day treatment plant, 8 pump stations, and all related infrastructure. This will require a self-starting individual who will receive general supervision from the Superintendent and/or Chief Operator. Applicant must have a high school diploma or GED. Experience in operating a wastewater treatment facility is preferred, but we will train the right individual. Must possess or be able to obtain a CT DEEP Class I operator certification within 18 months. Must possess a valid CT driver's license and have a clean driving record. Must live within a 30-minute drive of Goshen. Must be able to work rotating Weekends and Holidays, and participate in a 24/7 On-Call rotating schedule. Must be able to work in emergency situations under adverse conditions. Must be able to understand and follow instructions in both written and oral form. Candidate must be able to work safely and effectively with other staff, superiors, and the general public. Applicant must also pass a pre-employment physical and drug screening. Basic computer skills are necessary. A Competitive wage and benefits package is offered.

A detailed job description and job applications are available at: (www.wlsd-goshen.org) See forms.

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Woodridge Lake Sewer District

TITLE:	Plant Operator Class I	GRADE: Hourly
DEPARTMENT:	Water Pollution Control	DATE: October 2026

POSITION DESCRIPTION:

The Plant Operator Class I operates and performs skilled maintenance and repair work on instrumentation, electric motors and controls, pumps, pipes, and equipment of the sewage treatment plant, and inspects and maintains pump stations.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED:

Receives general supervision from the Superintendent or Chief Plant Operator

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Able to use a computer-based maintenance program.
- Coordinates work assignments to minimize interruption of the treatment process.
- Logs completed work orders in the computer system.
- Performs assigned tasks and ensures they are completed in accordance with standard practice.
- Notifies supervisors of equipment and operational issues.
- Monitors wastewater entering the facility to detect unlawful and dangerous discharges into the collection system. Takes action to protect the treatment process and equipment.
- Inspects equipment, pump stations, and the collection system for operational efficiency and to prevent breakdowns.
- Responds to emergencies as needed.
- Adheres to and enforces standard safety procedures and regulations.
- Performs related work as required.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

- Knowledge of the operation, maintenance, and repair of wastewater collection systems and treatment equipment.
- Ability to diagnose equipment problems and perform necessary repairs.
- Ability to use computerized maintenance management software and to manage equipment maintenance.
- Working knowledge of hazards and safety precautions common to municipal maintenance and repair activities.
- Working knowledge of the practices, methods, materials, and tools used in equipment maintenance.
- Ability to read and interpret meters and gauges and accurately record results.
- Ability to maintain effective preventive maintenance programs, policies and procedures.
- Ability to provide clear, concise written and oral reports and to work effectively with staff, superiors, and the general public.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with employees, supervisors, vendors, and the public.
- Ability to interpret plans, specifications, and a variety of instructions provided in written, oral, diagrammatic, or schedule form.

- Must be able to work with minimal supervision.
- Must be able to work as part of a team.
- Ability to perform basic mathematical calculations.
- Ability to work on an emergency call-out basis.
- Available to work weekends and holidays.
- Participates in the "24-hour on-call" rotation to respond to plant emergencies during hours when the plant is not normally staffed.

REQUIRED PHYSICAL AND MENTAL EFFORT:

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to perform the essential functions of this job successfully.

- Frequently required to use hands to finger, handle, feel, and operate objects, tools, or controls.
- Frequently requires reaching with hands and arms.
- Occasionally required to climb, balance, and safely work from a ladder.
- Occasionally required to stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl.
- Frequently required to walk, sit, talk, smell, or hear.
- Regularly lift and/or move up to 50 pounds, and occasionally lift and/or move up to 80 pounds.
- Require vision abilities including close vision, distance vision, color vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus.
- Require sufficient stamina and health to perform strenuous physical labor in all weather conditions.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS:

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those encountered when performing the essential functions of this job.

- Frequently performs tasks in outdoor weather conditions.
- Frequently works near moving mechanical parts and is exposed to vibration.
- Frequently exposed to wet or humid conditions.
- Frequently drives a variety of motor vehicles.
- Occasionally works in an office setting subject to continuous interruptions and background noise.
- Occasionally enters data into a computer and generates reports.
- Occasionally works in high, precarious positions.
- Occasionally exposed to fumes, airborne particles, and toxic or caustic chemicals.
- Occasionally exposed to the risk of electrical shock.
- Occasionally exposed to high-noise levels.
- Occasionally perform maintenance in confined spaces.

TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT USED:

All tools and equipment required for collecting and analyzing process streams, maintaining mechanical and electrical equipment, facility structures, and vehicles.

- Sampling and laboratory equipment.
- Power and hand tools and equipment for vehicle and mechanical systems work.
- Mechanical tools, including jacks, hydraulic lifts, air tools, and other tools required for minor repairs and routine maintenance of motor vehicles.

- Diagnostic tools for electrical equipment, including multimeters, megohmmeters, ammeters, and optical thermometers.
- Personal computer, calculator, phone.
- Computer and data management software.
- Mobile or portable radio.
- Safety equipment, such as a gas meter, tripod/winch, respirator, and standard PPE.

REQUIRED MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- High school diploma or GED equivalent and experience operating a Wastewater Treatment Facility of Class III or higher, or a combination of experience.
- Must possess a valid CT driver's license and maintain a clean driving record.
- Must hold a Class I Connecticut Wastewater Operator Certification.

Note: The duties listed above are intended only as examples of the types of work that may be performed. The omission of specific statements of duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related, or a logical assignment to the position.

WAGES AND BENEFITS:

- Utility Tech: \$25.00/HR - \$27.00/HR
- Collection System 1 Operator: \$27.00/HR - \$29.00/HR
- Operator in Training: \$29.00/HR - \$32.00/HR
- Wastewater Operator Grade 1: \$32.00/HR - \$35.00/HR
- 100% Company-paid Health, Vision, and Dental Insurance premiums
- Life Insurance
- Short-term and Long-term Disability Insurance
- Company-funded retirement plan
- Generous time off after 6 months
- Tuition Reimbursement
- Uniforms