

LaDouceur, Robetor attend Winter Warmup



Ilona LaDouceur and Ben Robetor, water utility techs, staff the Lead Free SPRWS table at the Rice and Larpenteur Alliance Winter Warmup held on Dec. 3 at the corner of the Rice and Larpenteur. They handed out information on the lead program and conducted service line material look ups for interested parties. This the second year for the Winter Warmup.

Zepeda joins utility; Husom returns to work



Jacqueline Zepeda



Kate Husom

Jacqueline Zepeda joined the water utility on Dec. 4 and is working in the Damage Prevention Unit as a water utility technician I.

Kate Husom, an HR intern, returned to the utility on Dec. 4.

Please welcome them to the water utility.

Utility seeks to hire up to four assistant division managers

We are hiring up to four assistant division managers to join our team. Candidates hired now will be involved in a number of exciting new initiatives to provide substantial upgrades to infrastructure critical to the treatment and distribution of drinking water. SPRWS is seeking expert level professionals to play important roles in moving these initiatives forward.

Distribution Division

Two current vacancies are in

the distribution division due to the expansion of infrastructure improvement programs within SPRWS. One assistant division manager position is responsible for construction management duties and coordination of up to 10 field teams. These teams perform a full range of water utility construction, including installation of water main, water services, valves, and hydrants.

The second assistant division manager position is responsible

for project prioritization and scheduling, performance measures, engineering plan reviews, project management for pump station improvement projects, dispatch office functions, and hydraulic/system analysis.

Engineering Division

This position oversees design, construction, planning, and project management for SPRWS' capital improvements program. With an annual

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SPRWS employees take on new roles

There have been several changes in seasonal staffing throughout the utility, including one permanent change.

Aaron Atkins is moving to maps and records.

The following staff have moved from distribution to Vadnais:

Michael Gorke, Jake O'Donnell, Nick Peterson, Jordan Skender, Markel Smaller-Speed, and Keaton Vik.

Moving to meter operations for the winter are: Daniel Filiowich, Tyler Orvis, and Jarret Stodieck.



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Jazeya Jackson



Brett Velander



Isra Saleh

Employees going to the plant include: Panha Chan, Hugo Lopez, Jazeya Jackson, and Brett Velander.

Isra Saleh has taken a permanent role as a meter reader in the meter shop.

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budget of nearly \$25M, the CIP consists of an extensive water main replacement program as well as projects to rehabilitate existing large diameter raw water conduits, water storage tanks and reservoirs, and upgrades to electrical and pumping infrastructure. The position will also be responsible for implementing the AWWA Partnership for Safe Water goals and initiatives for distribution and leading

initiatives to promote sustainability and environmental stewardship throughout the utility. A professional background in civil engineering or construction management is beneficial.

Requirements

A bachelor's degree in engineering, business administration, public administration, environmental science, urban planning, construction management, business management, economics, or a closely related

field and six years of project management, planning, or budget experience. Must have two years of increasingly responsible supervisory or managerial experience. No substitution for a bachelor's degree.

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