

SPRWS staff attend block party



Matt Stephenson, carpenter; Joe Tronson, meter tech. lead worker; and Richelle Nicosia, water utility tech., await visitors to their table at the Rice and Larpeur block party on Aug. 14 in the southwest corner parking lot at Rice and Larpeur. Other staff to participate in the event were Sandy Kimbrough, human resource consultant; Jason Belair, treatment plant operator; and Ilona LaDouceur, customer service rep.

Water utility tech. III, (construction coordinator) position posted online

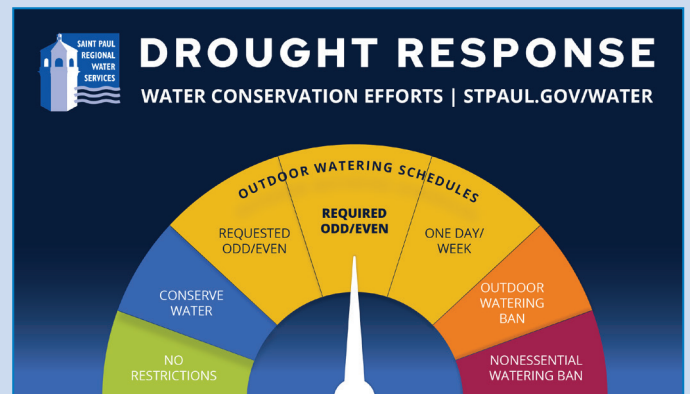
The water utility has an opening for a water utility tech. III position. It closes at 4:30 p.m. on Sept. 7.

This person acts as the construction coordinator and monitors upcoming projects and work orders, evaluates target completion dates, and assists the distribution division with scheduling daily work assignments for field crews. This position will organize construction and maintenance activities using CMMS software and Microsoft Project Professional.

Duties also include coordination of equipment, labor,

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SPRWS responds to drought



The utility has created a drought response gauge for use across social media and media platforms. We are requiring an odd/even watering schedule and no watering from noon - 6 p.m. any day.

Amid ongoing drought conditions, which are impacting communities across our state, SPRWS began mandating that customers follow an alternating day watering schedule starting on Aug. 17.

Customers are to limit their outdoor watering to odd or even days of the month based on their address number, with odd-number addresses on odd days and even-numbered address on even days.

SPRWS customers are to limit watering to cooler times of the day, before noon or after 6 p.m., to minimize evaporation.

The mandates came as a result of the Mississippi River flows dropping to 1,500 cubic feet per second or lower for five consecutive days at the Brooklyn Park observation site.

Enforcement of the requirements began on Friday, Aug. 20, with warnings and fines if compliance is not followed, increasing from educational and written warnings to fines of \$50, \$100, and \$150 plus water shut off.

SPRWS is monitoring conditions and will announce additional conservation efforts as the situation changes.

Additional information and FAQs can be found at www.stpaul.gov/water.

Reservoir structure down, little remains



The Highland reservoir, located south of the water tower on Snelling Ave. is being demoed. The structure has been completely knocked down with the site being leveled. Note the new parking lot and cul de sac completed in front of the ice arena in upper left corner of the photo. Work continues on the reservoir as of August 27.

Burchard speaks to Rotary Club



James Burchard, production supervisor, spoke to the West St. Paul/Mendota Heights Rotary Club at the Southview Country Club in West St. Paul on Aug. 18.

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materials, permits, and traffic control patterns for projects. Assists with record drawings and material inventory during the project closeout process.

Requirements

- Two years of experience as a water utility technician II or equivalent.
- Thirty college semester credits including at least twenty semester credits of technical classes. Technical classes include: math, engineering, GIS, CAD, public works administration, and technical/

business writing. Technical/business writing limited to four semester credits.

- Additional years of qualifying experience may be substituted, one year for two semester credits, to a maximum of four years for eight semester credits.
- No substitution of credits for experience.
- Must possess and maintain a valid Minnesota class D driver's license, or equivalent out-of-state driver's license.

Preferred Qualifications

- Completion of a certificate, associate degree or bachelor degree in construction management, project management, engineering, or similar field.
- Previous work experience with public street and utility construction projects.
- Previous training or experience with project scheduling software.

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