

**BUREAU OF RECLAMATION
Grand Coulee, WA**

Power Plant Operator
1 vacancy –Grand Coulee, Washington

Full Time - Permanent
Great Benefits Package

Position is being advertised concurrently under BR-PN-VA-GC-11-187 for current federal employees serving under a competitive service career or career-conditional appointment or reinstatement eligible. If you are interested in applying under both announcement numbers, you must submit application packages for each.

Reclamation is seeking a career professional looking for an opportunity to capitalize on his/her expertise as a Power Plant Operator You can make a difference in the West by assisting in meeting increasing water demands while protecting the environment.

Here is an opportunity to join a great organization with excellent growth potential!

Work Schedule: 7:30am-3:30pm for day shift; 3:30pm-11:30pm for swing shift; and 11:30pm-7:30am for graveyard shift. 10 days on/4 days off, on a rotating schedule. The schedule will be advanced 2 days every 12 weeks which will change the days off in order to provide for equal distribution of weekends off and weekdays off. For additional scheduling information, please contact Stacey Stanley at 509-633-9288.

Relocation expenses are authorized with the exception of the Guaranteed Home Sale Provision. First-post-of-Duty relocation expenses are authorized for new appointment or reinstatement eligibles.

KEY REQUIREMENTS:

- You must be a U.S. Citizen to apply for Federal employment.
- Position requires a 10-day on 4-day off rotating work schedule.
- See SUMMARY section for more detailed scheduling information

The Powerplant Operator is responsible for the inspection and safe operation of all equipment at the assigned station.

In coordination with and at the request of the Powerplant Dispatcher / Powerplant Dispatcher Assistant, manually operates the generating and pump units and their auxiliaries, numerous plant auxiliary systems, as well as operation of switchyard and dam equipment.

Your application materials must demonstrate sufficient experience and training to perform the duties of this position. Qualifications will be determined on the basis of information submitted in your resume and responses to the assessment questions. For information about qualifications for federal wage system positions please visit: <http://www.opm.gov/qualifications/x-118c/index.asp> .

Applicants will be further evaluated on the following "Knowledge, Skills and Abilities (KSAs)" or "Job Elements" through your resume and responses to the online questions.

1. ABILITY TO DO THE WORK OF A POWER PLANT OPERATOR AT A HYDROELECTRIC POWER FACILITY WITHOUT MORE THAN NORMAL SUPERVISION.
2. Ability to interpret instructions, procedures, and schematic/wiring diagrams.
3. Knowledge of safety and safe clearance procedures.
4. Knowledge of the generation, transmission, and distribution of electricity.
5. Knowledge of technical practices.

Applicants' answers to questions will be verified against information provided in their online resume. Be sure that the resume clearly supports the responses to all the questions by addressing experience, education, and/or training relevant to this position. Applicants must make a fair and accurate assessment of their qualifications. Applicants who exaggerate or falsify their experience and/or education may be removed from employment consideration.

If selected, you will be required to obtain successful pre-employment physical examination by licensed physician certifying to your ability to perform the duties of this position. A physical exam may not be required if a comparable agency approved examination was performed within the last 12 months. The cost of the exam will be reimbursed by the agency.

Applications (resume and assessment questionnaire) for this vacancy MUST be received online BEFORE midnight Eastern Time (Washington, DC time) on the closing date of this announcement. When you're ready to apply, click the blue APPLY ONLINE button on the right side of any page.

This vacancy is being announced through Bureau of Reclamation's Hiring System-HireMe. For more information about the HireMe system and the registration process, visit: <http://www.usbr.gov/pmts/hr/hireme.html>.

As part of the on-line application process, applicants may be required to submit supporting documents. Failure to submit the requested supporting documents may result in your not being considered for this position. Options for submitting supporting documentation include:

- Auto Requested Fax or uploading from your USAJOBS profile - instructions provided during the online application process
- E-mail to kpetererson@usbr.gov
- Fax directly to the HR Office at (208) 378-5023
- Mail to the Bureau of Reclamation, ATTN: PN-1426, 1150 North Curtis Road, Suite 100, Boise, Idaho 83706-1234 - or -
- Hand deliver to the Bureau of Reclamation, Human Resources - Room 109, 1150 North Curtis Road, Boise, Idaho.

Include your name and the vacancy number on the supporting documents.

This agency provides reasonable accommodation to applicants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify us at the phone number shown at the bottom of this page. The decision on granting reasonable accommodation will be on a case-by-case basis.

To be considered for this position, applicants are required to submit a resume (with dates of employment, i.e. years and months), an on-line assessment questionnaire, and the following supporting documents, as appropriate.

DD-214, Certificate of Release from Active Duty: If you are entitled to veterans' preference, submit a copy of your DD-214 (Member 4 Copy), or an official statement of service from your command if you are currently on active duty, or other official documentation (e.g., documentation of receipt of a campaign badge or expeditionary medal) that proves your military service was performed under honorable conditions. If you have a compensable service connected disability, submit a Standard Form (SF) 15, Application for 10-Point Veteran Preference, and the required documentation requested by this form, in addition to the DD-214,

You must meet all qualification requirements by the closing date of this announcement.

For a complete listing of the duties and responsibilities and for instructions on how to apply, see the following announcement number BR-PN-VA-GC-11-188. You must apply online through the Government's Job Website, www.usajobs.opm.gov, by **midnight Eastern Time on 06-10-2011**. Search for the following announcement number BR-PN-VA-GC-11-188.