

The Rural Water and Wastewater Industry is a place for veterans to build their next career.

If you have an aptitude for basic math, science and mechanical work, consider a future as a Water or Wastewater Operator. Every day is different when you work as a Water or Wastewater Operator—from locating and repairing system leaks, to testing and treating water, to performing collection system and plant operations duties.

A career in the water and wastewater utility industry gives you the opportunity to:

- Serve your community
- Join a growing industry
- Build a career

There are roles for everyone at water systems!

37%

estimated percentage of water utility workers expected to retire by 2027.



estimated percentage of wastewater utility workers expected to retire by 2027*

31%

*Based on EPA survey conducted in 2017.



Lifelong Opportunities:

There are many opportunities for advancement in the utility industry. Beginning with entry level positions as operators or meter readers, many utility workers build experience and take advantage of on-the-job training to advance their careers. Management positions, as well as higher-level operator licenses (Class C, B, or A licenses), are all attainable with a combination experience, training, and determination.

Lifelong Learning:

Class A License

- 4-8 Years Experience
- 164 Training Credit Hours

Class B License

- 2.5-5 Years Experience
- 100-124 Training Credit Hours

Class C License

- 2 Years Experience
- 60 Training Credit Hours

Class D License

- No Experience Necessary
- 20 Training Credit Hours

As you gain skills and experience working at a water or wastewater utility, you also can take continuing education credits to work towards the next level license. You can continue your education and gain higher licensure all the way up to a Class A Water or Wastewater Operator License.



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If a career in the water and wastewater utility industry sounds like the right fit for you, contact the Texas Rural Water Foundation or a utility near you to discuss career opportunities.

The water and wastewater utilities of Texas are hiring, and job growth is expected to continue.

Between the ongoing drought recovery and continued population growth, the need for new workers in our industry is greater than ever.

Our Rural Water Workforce Initiative can provide you with guidance and information about careers in this rewarding public service industry.

Plan your future today with a career you can count on.

Visit <https://vet-careers.trwa.org/> for current career openings at rural water utilities throughout Texas!



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Texas Rural Water Foundation
is a Resource for Information
about Careers in the Rural Water
and Wastewater field.