

PECHANGA BAND OF INDIANS

Pechanga Indian Reservation

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JOB DESCRIPTION

POSITION: Firefighter Paramedic

STATUS: Non-Exempt

CLASSIFICATION: Full Time, Open, Lateral DEPARTMENT: Pechanga Fire Department

REPORTS TO: Fire Captain

POSITION CATEGORY: B

RATE OF PAY:

Tribal Chairman: Mark Macarro

Council Members: Raymond J. Basquez, Jr. Louise Burke Catalina R. Chacon Marc Luker Joseph Murphy Michael A. Vasquez

Tribal Secretary: Nichole Sutter

Tribal T Treasurer: Amy Minniear

SUMMARY:

Under varying levels of supervision, participates in all phases of emergency operations during an assigned shift to protect life, property, and the environment; participates in all suppression, advanced life support medical care, and hazardous materials abatement; performs fire prevention inspections; participates in and presents public education programs; participates in training activities; performs station and equipment maintenance, and cleans and maintains station quarters and grounds; performs related work as required.

CLASS CHARACTERISTICS:

Firefighter paramedic is a multi-incumbent safety class with duties related specifically to the protection of life and property under emergency situations.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Respond as a team member on an assigned company for emergency and non-emergency operations.
- Perform firefighting activities to include laying hose, setting ladders, rescue work, ventilation and fire combat/containment/extinguishment tasks.
- Familiarize oneself with the rules and regulations of the department, and follow the instructions of the captain or supervisor-in-charge or standard procedures while performing all duties
- Participate in all aspects of fire department activities to include fire suppression, hose
 evolutions, laddering, use of special equipment, hazardous materials abatement, and fire
 prevention duties.
- Assist in the planning of and participates in drills and other training activities to learn and improve firefighting tactics.
- Participate in routine non-emergency activities to include fire prevention inspections, code enforcement and drills/training, PR events, EMS stand by services, and wellness checks.
- Participate in and presents educational and public relations programs to the community on safety, fire prevention and other topics.
- Perform salvage operations to include sweeping water and removing debris. Operates a variety of hand and power tools.

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- Perform in-station activities to include cleaning and washing walls and floors, maintaining living
 areas, caring for station grounds, making minor repairs to the station, requisitioning supplies and
 assisting with meal preparation.
- Wash, clean, polish, maintain and test apparatus and equipment, makes minor repairs to apparatus/equipment and documents and submits repair requests.
- Relieve a fire engineer as assigned and drives/operates a fire engine, other vehicles and equipment.
- Lift and move objects weighing 75 pounds or less on a regular basis, performs strenuous physical activities and in an emergency drags or carries victims.
- Assist in supervising and training firefighters during their evaluation period.
- Provide emergency medical care and advanced life support; these services shall be provided as a firefighter of an engine company, truck company, FEMP, and standby events.
- Maintain EMS apparatus, equipment, and supplies including ALS drugs and narcotics.
- Operate emergency medical equipment; relay vital signs by radio to doctors at base hospitals and gives emergency treatment and medication under doctor's orders; immobilize patients and as an ambulance paramedic, assists in transports to emergency medical facilities.
- Participate in the Pechanga Fire Department Paramedic Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) program and completes reviews in a timely fashion per EMS policy.
- Drive and operate the Ambulance/Squad unit as assigned.
- Accurately completes patient care reports (PCRs) and other medical documentation as required; documentation will be completed in a timely fashion per EMS policy.
- Perform any and all duties of the quality customer service program or as otherwise specified by the fire chief.
- Keep his/her contact information updated with both the State EMS Authority (Title 22, \$100165(g)) and REMSA. In addition, changes in address, phone number, employment, and any other contact information must be reported to REMSA within thirty (30) days of occurrence. Failure to maintain updated information with either or both agencies can result in an individual's failure to receive or respond to notices, practice updates, and formal (licensure/accreditation) actions.
- Perform all duties and responsibilities in a safe and responsible manner.
- Must adhere to all policies and procedures of the Pechanga Tribal Government.

The list of duties and responsibilities above is not an exhaustive list. In addition to the duties and responsibilities listed above, the employee will be required to perform other job-related duties, as assigned, that are consistent with the employee's job position and qualifications.

QUALIFICATIONS, EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE:

- High School diploma or CHSPE certificate.
- Must be eighteen (18) years of age at time of application.
- Must possess a valid driver's license.
- When applicable, a lateral position must have 2 years of experience as a full time firefighter paramedic.
- Must possess a current paramedic license issued by a California Emergency Medical Services Authority at time of employment or within 30 days of employment, and maintain throughout employment in this position.
- Must possess a current paramedic card issued by Riverside EMS agency within 45 days of employment and maintain throughout employment in this position.
- Must possess a current ACLS card, PALS card, and ITLS or PHTLS within 30 days of employment and maintain throughout employment in this position.

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- Valid CPR and AHA Basic Life Support for Healthcare providers (BLS) certifications at time of employment and throughout employment in this position.
- Completion of a California State Accredited Firefighter Academy or California State Fire Marshal Firefighter I Certification.
- Possession of Hazardous Materials First Responder Operational Certificate (HAZ-MAT FRO).
- Possession of Confined Space Rescue Awareness Certificate.
- Must be willing to work shifts as structured by the fire department.
- Must be willing to work overtime as directed.
- This position must comply with the Pechanga Tribal Government's Drug-Free Workplace Policy. This includes: pre-employment testing, post-accident or injury, and random testing.
- Must pass an application review, pre-employment assessment test, fire chief interview, and medical and background investigation.
- Valid CPAT (Candidate Physical Abilities Test) or PAT (Biddle) issued within the last twelve (12) months. Candidates obtaining a certification after the application filing date will be required to submit valid certification upon arrival at their scheduled interview
- Must pass the annual breathing apparatus respiratory protection plan medical questionnaire for unrestricted use of respiratory protective devices.
- Must pass department annual fit for duty standard.
- Must pass 12 month evaluation period for open position. When applicable, a lateral position must pass a 6 month evaluation period.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

- Basic firefighting principles and other principles and practices taught during a Firefighter I Training.
- English usage and grammar.
- Perform activities requiring good physical condition. Learn technical firefighting principles and techniques.
- Understand and carry out oral and written instructions. Communicate effectively orally and in writing.
- Read and write at the level required for successful job performance.
- Establish and maintain effective relationships with those contacted in the course of work and live cooperatively with peers and supervisors.
- Exercise self-control and good judgment in emergency/hazardous situations.
- Meet the public with courtesy and tact.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of the job. The Pechanga Tribal Government may, upon request and in its sole discretion, grant an accommodation it deems reasonable and necessary to enable an employee with a disability to perform the essential functions of the job.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to sit; use hands to finger, handle, or feel; reach with hands and arms; and talk or hear. The employee frequently is required to walk or stand on uneven ground; climb ladders, stairs, structures and/or balance; stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl; and taste or smell. The employee must occasionally lift weight in excess of 75 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and ability to adjust focus.

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WORK ENVIRONMENT:

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While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly exposed to outside weather conditions. The employee works around heavy equipment and/or machinery, mechanical parts, electrical current and has exposure to vibrating movements to the extremities and/or the entire body. The employee is occasionally exposed to high, precarious places; toxic or caustic chemicals; and explosives. In this role the employee may be exposed to conditions that affect the respiratory system or the skin, i.e. fumes, air particles, odors, heat, smoke inhalation, hazardous waste material, etc.

Additional exposure may also include bio hazards such as blood borne pathogens, sewage and rarely hospital waste. The noise level in the work environment is usually loud and is sufficient to cause the employee to shout in order to be heard.

ESSENTIAL AND MARGINAL JOB FUNCTION ANALYSIS:

Employee must be able to perform the essential functions; meet the required physical, knowledge, skill, and ability requirements; and have the ability to meet all other requirements for the position as indicated in the Essential and Marginal Job Function Analysis document.

Employee's acknowledgement: I acknowledge by my signature below, that the duties listed on this job description represent those tasks falling within my immediate responsibility. I understand that the Pechanga Tribal Council has the right to change this job description at any time with or without prior notice. I further understand and agree that my employment relationship with the Pechanga Tribal Government is a consensual commercial relationship taking place on tribal land within the Pechanga Indian Reservation and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction and sovereign laws of the Pechanga Band of Indians.		
Signature of Employee	Date	Print name of employee
Signature of Employee's Manager	Date	Print name of employee's manager

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