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**TO:** NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP SYSTEM STAKEHOLDERS

OFFICE OF APPRENTICESHIP STAFF

STATE APPRENTICESHIP AGENCIES

**FROM:** MEGAN BAIRD /s/

Acting Administrator, Office of Apprenticeship

**SUBJECT:** New Apprenticeable Occupation: Wastewater Utilities Maintenance Technician

1. **Purpose.** To inform the staff of OA, State Apprenticeship Agencies (SAA), Registered Apprenticeship program sponsors, and other Registered Apprenticeship partners of the following new apprenticeable occupation: Wastewater Utilities Maintenance Technician
2. **Action Requested.** OA staff should familiarize themselves with this bulletin and the attached Work Process Schedule and Related Instruction Outline, as a source for developing apprenticeship standards and/or providing technical assistance.

Wastewater Utilities Maintenance Technician will be added to the List of Occupations Recognized as Apprenticeable by OA located on www.apprenticeship.gov. A suggested Work Process Schedule and Related Instruction Outline are attached.

1. **Summary and Background.**
   1. Summary – The occupation Wastewater Utilities Maintenance Technician was submitted by Jason Venable, Plant Maintenance Supervisor, on behalf of City of St. Petersburg Southwest water treatment plant, were processed by Kirk Jefferson and approved by the OA Administrator on May 16, 2025.
   2. Background –

***New/Revised Occupation Background -*** Under 29 CFR section 29.4, an occupation for a RAP must meet the following criteria to be determined apprenticeable:

1. Involve skills that are customarily learned in a practical way through a structured, systematic program of on-the job supervised learning:
2. Be clearly identified and commonly recognized throughout an industry;
3. Involve the progressive attainment of manual, mechanical, or technical skills and knowledge which, in accordance with the industry standard for the occupation, would require the completion of at least 2,000 hours of on-the-job learning to attain; and
4. Require related instruction to supplement the on-the job learning.
5. **New Apprenticeable Occupation.** The occupation Wastewater Utilities Maintenance Technician was submitted for an apprenticeability determination.

Wastewater Utilities Maintenance Technician

O\*NET-SOC CODE: 47-4071.00

RAPIDS Code: 4006

Type of Training: Time-based, Hybrid, Competency-based

Term Length: Time-based 4000, Hybrid 4,000 – 6,000, Competency-based 2 Year

Wastewater Utilities Maintenance Technician perform the following duties:

* + Inspects manholes to determine location of wastewater stoppages; clears obstructions and cleans sanitary sewer pipelines;
  + Prepares updates to wastewater collection maps to be used for updating GIS map systems; prepares records showing actions taken, manpower and equipment utilization and disposition of materials utilized in repair or installation projects; and
  + Performs excavation to repair wastewater collection systems, pipes and manholes; backfills and restores excavation sites.

1. **Inquiries.** If you have any questions, please contact Kirk Jefferson, Apprenticeship & Training Representative, at 202-693-3399.
2. **Attachments.**

