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# Vector Control Health Technician I

| JOB CODE | JOB FAMILY | PROFILE |
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| **JCV334** | **Planning, Development & Protection** | **Vector Control Health Technician I** |
| **PAY TYPE** | **PAY RANGE** | **REVISION DATE** |
| **Hourly** | **$18.60 - $26.50** | **April 10, 2026** |

The Vector Control Health Technician I, under general direction of the assigned supervisor, performs vector control duties which include but are not limited to monitoring, controlling, and prevention in the area of insect and rodent control in Bernalillo County in order to protect our community from infectious disease spread by vectors. This is a joint program between Bernalillo County and the City of Albuquerque through a Memorandum of Understanding.

## Job Description

### DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Receives, prioritizes, investigates, and processes complaints according to program goals, safety departmental practices and in accordance with the New Mexico Department of Agriculture requirements.
- Performs inspections and surveillance on various indoor and outdoor properties by collecting, trapping, and identifying potential disease causing vectors including but not limited to mosquitos, bed bugs, rodents, and roaches. Utilize Integrated Pest Management (IPM) in controlling target pests.
- Utilizes appropriate control measures in prevention through pesticide application according to life stage and habitat.
- Prepares, compiles, and maintains records of pesticide application to include but not limited to the location/area, temperature, altitude, wind speed, type of pesticide used and amount applied.

- Monitors progress of previously treated mosquito breeding sites; analyzes and determines appropriate steps to reapply pesticide as needed for reduction of larvae population.
- Handles and stores pesticides in accordance with label requirements and all applicable regulations.
- Consults with the public regarding ordinance violations and discrepancies and recommends alternative solutions.
- Installs, sets up, and removes equipment for replacement, repair, and maintenance when required.
- Maintains facility grounds, equipment and tools; reports any facility deficiencies or equipment and tool needs to immediate supervisor.
- Performs other job duties which relate to the overall effectiveness and efficiency of the vector control program.
- *The above information is intended to outline the general nature and scope of the duties required for this position. It is not an exhaustive list and may vary depending on specific job assignments and responsibilities.

## MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- High School Diploma or GED.
- Two (2) years of experience in any of the following: environmental technology, environmental health, environmental science, vector control, rodent control or related field; OR any related combination of education from an accredited college or university or related experience in this occupation may substitute for the required education and experience and may be interchangeable on a year for year basis.
- Public Applicator License in Category Eight (8) Public Health Pest Control must be obtained within nine (9) months of employment.
- Employee must have a valid New Mexico driver's license by employment date and maintain a valid NM driver's license while employed in this position.

*Any equivalent combination of related education and/or experience may be considered for the above requirements.

## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

### SCREENING AND COMPLIANCE

The offer of this Bernalillo County position requires compliance with the following:

- Successful completion of a post-offer employment medical examination and background investigation.
- Adherence to all County safety guidelines.
- Complete all FEMA training(s) assigned to this position.
- Possession of a valid New Mexico driver’s license by the date of hire and maintenance of a valid license while employed in this position.
- Complete required supervisor training, if applicable.

## WORKING CONDITIONS

- Worker performs vast majority of duties outdoors (estimated at 80%).
- Worker performs indoor duties in a temperature-controlled environment.
- Worker is exposed to natural weather conditions while performing outdoor duties.
- Worker is exposed to intermittent or continual noise and vibration factors, depending upon tasks being completed. Worker performs duties on a wide variety of surfaces, both indoors and outdoors. Work surfaces may be even or uneven, wet or dry. Stairs and/or ladders may be used in the performance of certain duties. Work may be performed in water, in a mountainous area, on concrete, asphalt, grass, mud, ice, snow, etc.
- Potential hazards include exposure to chemicals, animals, biohazards, industrial and domestic waste, noise, intermittent vibration, driving a vehicle, fumes, odors, dust, mists, gases, poor ventilation and polluted water.
- Certain duties are performed alone, typically without direction from an immediate supervisor. Certain duties are performed as part of a team or group of workers.
- Work hazards, or potential work hazards, include operating heavy equipment, exposure to severe weather conditions, frequent lifting, exposure to hazardous chemical and biological agents, and exposure to potentially dangerous insects and rodents.
- Worker may be exposed to a wide variety of fumes, odors, dusts and mists in the performance of certain duties.
- Must be willing to work odd hours as necessary.

## EQUIPMENT, TOOLS, AND MATERIALS

- Computers, environmental monitoring equipment, laboratory equipment, telephone, two-way radio, fax and copier.
- Worker wears overalls, gloves, boots, a hat or helmet, a mask, and other devices for safety and protection.
- Worker handles various chemicals, insecticides, rodenticides, a scalpel, an autoclave, and a variety of other laboratory equipment in the performance of certain duties.
- City of Albuquerque and Bernalillo County vehicles are used by employee in traveling from site-to-site only.
- Worker operates a truck, bobcat, ultra-low volume sprayer, pallet jack, animal traps, weed cutter, cement mixer, electric jack, dolly, steamer, wheelbarrow, drills, power saws, steel cutter, drill press, and a wide range of hand-tools in the performance of duties.
- Safety equipment may include hard hat, rubber boots, gloves, facemask and first aid kit.

## *NOTE*

You are not required to disclose information about physical or mental limitations that you believe will not interfere with your ability to do the job. On the other hand, if you want the employer to consider special arrangements to accommodate physical or mental impairment, you may identify that impairment in the space provided and suggest the kind of accommodation that you believe would be appropriate.

## MENTAL FUNCTIONS

- Must be able to read, speak, write, and understand English proficiently to communicate with others.
- Must be able to think clearly and make decisions which may affect work activity.
- Must be able to use charts, tables, and scientific texts in sample collection, analysis and interpretation.
- Must have basic mathematical skills.

## PHYSICAL FUNCTIONS

- Must be able to engage in heavy exertion from time to time as needed.
- Must be able to sit for up to two hours at a time for a maximum of six hours per day.
- Must be able to stand/walk on even or uneven surfaces for up to four hours at a time.
- Must be able to crouch, crawl, kneel, or climb into vehicles, structures, holes and trenches as required.
- Must be able to climb ladders or other equipment and structures.
- Must be able to bend at the waist, twist/rotate, and lift as required to enter and exit County vehicle, remove manhole covers, septic tank covers, well caps and other coverings.
- Must be able to grasp/carry equipment and materials weighing up to 40 pounds for a distance of up to 100 yards to obtain samples.

## Additional Description

This job profile is classified as safety-sensitive. Employees with safety-sensitive job profiles are subject to pre-employment, reasonable suspicion, post-accident, return-to-duty, and random drug & alcohol testing in accordance with the organization’s Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy.

Duties that require a Commercial Driver’s License (CDL), firearm(s) use, or are otherwise regulated under the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), or the Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act, are subject to all applicable federal drug and alcohol testing requirements. Employees in these federally regulated positions must comply with all DOT testing procedures, including enrollment in a DOT-compliant random testing pool.