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SUMMARY

Driver and heavy equipment operator with four years supporting road, drainage, and **bridge maintenance** across public works and civil construction settings. Operates dump trucks, tandem trucks, **front end loaders**, compactors, backhoes, farm tractors, tractor trailers, mowers, and related machinery with sound judgment around active crews and traffic. Completes road patching, **culvert installation**, material hauling, roadside mowing, brush removal, sign work, debris removal, traffic control, storm response, and flood control assignments. Performs equipment inspections, fueling, washing, preventive maintenance, and minor repairs, removing unsafe machinery from service when needed. Holds a **Texas Class A Commercial Driver's License** with an N endorsement, exceeding required Class B qualifications. Reliable field support, punctual attendance, practical peer instruction, and on call response help keep public infrastructure work moving safely.

EXPERIENCE

Heavy Equipment Operator

May 2024 - Present

Trinity Plains Civil Services

Fort Worth, TX

Supports road repair, drainage, storm response, and field construction assignments with **heavy equipment** operation, material movement, traffic control, and routine machinery care. Selects suitable equipment for terrain and materials, coordinates movement around active crews, and removes unsafe machinery from service. Provides dependable support during regular assignments and changing weather conditions.

- Operated loaders, compactors, backhoes, tractors, and trailers for road and drainage assignments.
- Hauled gravel, dirt, asphalt, debris, tools, and machinery between yards and field sites.
- Supported **road patching** and culvert installation through excavation, material placement, and compaction.
- Established **traffic control** with cones, barricades, and flagging around active construction zones.
- Completed inspections, fueling, cleaning, **preventive maintenance**, and **minor repairs** before field deployment.
- Responded to storm callouts by clearing debris and supporting **flood control** access routes.

Equipment Operator and CDL Driver

September 2022 - April 2024

Red River Roadworks

Decatur, TX

Operated heavy trucks and construction equipment for roadway maintenance, roadside clearing, sign installation, debris removal, and **material hauling**. Completed daily vehicle checks, prepared work areas, and supported consistent field procedures. Shared practical inspection and loading guidance with newer crew members under supervisor direction.

- Operated trucks, loaders, compactors, tractors, **mowers**, and hauling equipment on roadway projects.
- Drove diesel and non diesel vehicles carrying aggregate, soil, **asphalt**, brush, and equipment.
- Cleared roadside vegetation with tractors, mowers, **chain saws**, and **power tools** for visibility.
- Installed **road signs** by preparing posts, setting cement, attaching hardware, and restoring surfaces.
- Removed trash, storm debris, and vegetation from rights of way for designated disposal.
- Trained newer crew members on inspections, safe loading, and work zone setup procedures.

LEADERSHIP & AWARDS

- Recognized by field supervisors for punctual support during storm and flood response assignments.
- Trusted by crew members for practical instruction on equipment inspections and safe loading procedures.

EDUCATION

High School Diploma

2022

Northwest High School GPA: 4.0

Fort Worth, TX

Coursework: Road maintenance, equipment safety, construction fundamentals, transportation operations

CERTIFICATIONS

- Texas Class A Commercial Driver's License 📅 2024
- Texas N Endorsement 📅 2024

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Heavy Equipment:** Front end loaders, backhoes, compactors
- **Commercial Vehicles:** Dump trucks, tandem trucks, tractor trailers
- **Agricultural Equipment:** Farm tractors, roadside mowers, brush cutters
- **Road Construction:** Road patching, asphalt handling, material placement
- **Drainage Work:** Culvert installation, flood control, drainage access

- **Traffic Control:** Flagging, barricades, cones
- **Roadside Maintenance:** Brush removal, tree removal, right of way cleanup
- **Sign Installation:** Post holes, cement setting, sign hardware
- **Equipment Maintenance:** Pre use inspections, preventive maintenance, minor repairs
- **Storm Operations:** Storm response, debris clearing, emergency field support
- **Load Handling:** Load securing, equipment loading, material hauling
- **Power Tools:** Chain saws, hand tools, power tools

SKILLS

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| • Heavy equipment operation | • Tandem trucks | • Farm tractors | • Culvert installation |
| • Class A CDL | • Front end loaders | • Road maintenance | • Traffic control |
| • N endorsement | • Compactors | • Bridge maintenance | • Storm response |
| • Dump trucks | • Backhoes | • Road patching | |

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Public works and civil construction field operations, with focus on road and drainage service.
- Transportation maintenance teams supporting safe work zones, equipment readiness, and community access.

LANGUAGES

- English (Native)
- Spanish (Intermediate)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Work Status : Authorized to work in United States. No sponsorship required.

REFERENCES

AVAILABLE ON REQUEST