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STRENGTHS

- ♥ **Safety awareness**
Caught hydraulic leaks and unsafe conditions during inspections, helping crews avoid preventable startup problems.
- 🔧 **Equipment care**
Kept loaders, forklifts, and utility equipment ready through fueling, lubrication, cleaning, and routine checks.
- ⚙️ **Field troubleshooting**
When water pressure shifted, checked lines and valves first, then corrected straightforward issues within operator scope.
- 🏭 **Production support**
Worked beside plant operators during changing stockpile and wash conditions, keeping material movement steady.
- 👥 **Reliable teamwork**
Incoming crews often received clear updates about equipment status, unfinished work, and next safe steps.

SKILLS

Heavy Equipment Loaders

Haul Trucks Dump Trucks

Tractors Forklifts

Industrial Equipment

Safety Inspections Salt Processing

Stockpile Management

Conveyor Cleanup Water Lines

Valve Troubleshooting

Material Sampling PPE

SUMMARY

Industrial equipment operator with six years supporting mineral processing, bulk material handling, and outdoor production operations. Operates loaders, **haul trucks**, dump trucks, tractors, forklifts, conveyors, rollers, and related **industrial equipment** across stockpile and processing areas. Completes **pre operational inspections**, identifies damage and malfunctions, reports **repair needs**, and performs lubrication, fueling, cleaning, and housekeeping. Supports salt and aggregate processing through stockpile management, water line positioning, valve checks, conveyor washdown, material sampling, and minor pressure troubleshooting. Works safely in heat, cold, dust, noise, elevated areas, and awkward positions while using required PPE. Communicates clearly in English and supports overtime, weekend, holiday, and alternate shift coverage.

EXPERIENCE

Process Equipment Operator

Sierra Basin Minerals 📅 May 2024 - Present 📍 Stockton, CA

Supports bulk mineral receiving, stockpile control, wash processing, and plant operations. Operates mobile equipment, manages water lines, collects process samples, and maintains safe production areas. Works closely with plant operators during changing material and water conditions.

- Operated **loaders** and haul trucks across receiving, stockpile, and processing areas, sustaining controlled daily material flow.
- Completed **pre operational inspections**, reported hydraulic leaks and worn components, and prevented unsafe startup conditions.
- Repositioned **water lines** and checked valves during wash processing, correcting minor pressure and flow issues.
- Cleared mineral buildup from **conveyors** and **rollers** through approved washdown practices, restoring clean transfer points.
- Collected and labeled washed and unwashed samples at scheduled intervals, preserving traceability for process decisions.
- Lubricated, fueled, cleaned, and maintained equipment readiness while working in dust, noise, **heat**, and elevated areas.

Heavy Equipment Operator

Delta Aggregate Services 📅 January 2022 - April 2024 📍 Trained, CA

Handled aggregate movement across stockpiles, processing zones, and loading points in a busy **industrial** yard. Operated loaders, dump trucks, tractors, and forklifts while supporting water systems, cleanup, inspections, and production coverage across varied shifts.

- Operated loaders, **dump trucks**, tractors, and **forklifts**, moving aggregate safely through high traffic production areas.
- Conducted walk around inspections and functional checks, isolating unsafe equipment for documented maintenance follow up.
- Managed stockpile placement and material movement, preserving access lanes and steady processing equipment feed.
- Monitored hoses, **water lines**, and manual valves, resolving straightforward connection and pressure problems within scope.
- Removed accumulated material near conveyors and transfer points while climbing, kneeling, and lifting up to **50 pounds**.
- Covered weekend, holiday, **overtime**, and alternate shifts during production peaks without compromising safe work practices.

Plant Utility Operator

Central Valley Materials 📅 October 2020 - December 2021 📍 Lodi, CA

LANGUAGES

English	Native
Spanish	Intermediate

MY CAREER



- Process Equipment Operator at Sierra Basin Minerals (2.4 Years)
- Heavy Equipment Operator at Delta Aggregate Services (2.2 Years)
- Plant Utility Operator at Central Valley Materials (1.2 Years)
- Yard Equipment Operator at Riverbend Agricultural Supply (11 Months)

- Supported aggregate plant operators through material handling, washdown, equipment staging, sampling, and work area care. Maintained utility equipment and transfer points while completing physically demanding tasks across outdoor yards and processing areas.
- Supported plant operators with material handling, washdown, cleanup, and equipment staging across processing areas.
 - Inspected forklifts, **tractors**, pumps, hoses, and utility equipment, removing defective assets from service.
 - Fueled, greased, lubricated, and cleaned equipment according to service schedules, improving readiness for incoming crews.
 - Cleared material around conveyors, rollers, walkways, and platforms while following **PPE** and safe access requirements.
 - Gathered scheduled process samples and delivered labeled containers to testing points for operating comparisons.
 - Maintained orderly work zones through sweeping, shoveling, hose management, and **manual labor** in changing conditions.

Yard Equipment Operator

Riverbend Agricultural Supply 📅 October 2019 - September 2020 📍 Manteca, CA

Operated forklifts and tractors across warehouse and outdoor yard operations. Staged bulk **agricultural** materials, performed daily equipment checks, managed hoses and water lines, and communicated equipment conditions during shift transitions.

- Operated forklifts and tractors to stage bulk materials, pallets, and supplies across yard areas.
- Performed daily checks of tires, fluids, forks, controls, lights, and visible **damage** before equipment use.
- Moved hoses and **water lines** for cleanup and **dust** control, checking connections and valves for leaks.
- Loaded and relocated materials while maintaining safe separation from pedestrians, structures, and mobile equipment.
- Completed manual cleanup, lifting, climbing, and outdoor work during variable weather while wearing assigned PPE.
- Communicated equipment condition, material placement, and unfinished work during orderly shift handoffs.

PROJECTS

Stockpile Water Line Support 📅 2025

Repositioned water lines around changing stockpile conditions during processing support work. Practical field adjustments kept cleanup and material movement organized, while valve checks helped identify minor pressure concerns early.

Conveyor Transfer Point Cleanup 📅 2023

Supported recurring conveyor and roller cleanup across aggregate operations. Careful washdown, safe access, and material removal helped restore clear transfer points for following production cycles.

LEADERSHIP & AWARDS

- Safety Recognition, recognized for consistent PPE use, equipment checks, and careful work area housekeeping.
- Production Support Recognition, trusted during weekend and alternate shift coverage when material movement demands increased.
- Peer Leadership, helped incoming crews understand equipment condition, unfinished work, and safe operating priorities.

EDUCATION

High School Diploma

Lincoln High School 🎓 GPA: 3.0 📅 2018 📍 Stockton, California

Coursework: Industrial safety, equipment operation, applied mathematics, workplace communication

CERTIFICATIONS

- OSHA 10 Hour General Industry 📅 2024
- Forklift Operator Safety Training 📅 2025

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Mobile Equipment:** Loaders, haul trucks, dump trucks
- **Industrial Equipment:** Tractors, forklifts, pumps
- **Material Handling:** Salt harvesting, aggregate handling, bulk materials
- **Processing Systems:** Wash plants, conveyors, rollers
- **Water Systems:** Water lines, valves, pressure checks
- **Equipment Maintenance:** Lubrication, fueling, cleaning
- **Safety Practices:** PPE, safety inspections, operating procedures
- **Sampling Operations:** Washed salt samples, unwashed salt samples, sample labeling
- **Stockpile Operations:** Stockpile management, gantry systems, material positioning
- **Worksite Conditions:** Elevated work, outdoor operations, manual labor
- **Production Support:** Housekeeping, washdown, transfer points
- **Workplace Credentials:** OSHA 10 Hour General Industry, forklift safety training, reasonable accommodation

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Workplace Safety Committee participant, shared practical observations about equipment readiness and safe access.
- Industrial Operations Team member, supported orderly shift handoffs, clean work zones, and dependable production coverage.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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

REFERENCES

AVAILABLE ON REQUEST