

# New Hites Tree Company: Groundsman



**GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES:** Serves as a groundsman performing proper safety awareness of his surroundings, keeping work area clear and responding to his foreman in order to complete daily tasks.

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:** Must be able to work in hot and cold weather. Must have good work ethic and reliable. Receives supervision and instruction with a positive attitude. Willing to learn additional skills. Must have valid drivers license.

## **TASKS PERFORMED**

- Defining the staging area and safe zones on the jobsite and laying out the tools for the job.
- Filling equipment with gasoline or diesel while being mindful of safe handling of fuels.

## **SKILLS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Safety for all types of equipment used (Chipper, Stump Grinder, Chain Saw).
- Being a reliable member of the team responsive to visual cues and hand signals from the Climber and acting promptly with ground support.
- Keeping the work area clear of debris, cleaning up limbs and branches as they are brought down in tree cutting work. Raking the area clear to maintain the safety zone.
- Lining up branches and piling appropriately for loading into the Chipper.
- Keeping tools in the staging area and safe zone.
- Assuring that all lines are kept clear at all times.
- Being attentive to the Climber's and/or bucket operator's cues throughout the job, always keeping their eyes on the Climber/Bucket Operator.

The Groundsman should also have sound knowledge of chain saw blade sharpening & maintenance, general information about crane operations, stump grinder & chipper operation & maintenance