CITY OF LONG BEACH
CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION

TITLE: PARK NATURALIST

DEFINITION: Under general supervision, plans, organizes, develops, and supervises nature education and activity programs and assumes charge of the Nature Center Museum and Wildlife Area.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES:

- Promotes interest in the study and appreciation of nature and conservation;
- Plans and prepares exhibits, delivers talks and arranges for guest lecturers;
- Writes educational and promotional materials, including publicity releases, articles, brochures, manuals, and other related written materials for publication;
- Schedules use of nature center facilities;
- Ensures safety and other rules are observed;
- Supervises, trains and evaluates performance of staff assigned to nature center activities;
- Directs and supervises the care and maintenance of the nature center facilities;
- Maintains records and prepares activity reports;
- Develops program budgets and monitors expenditures;
- Researches grant availability and develops funding proposals;
- Monitors grants and revenue generating activities;
- Performs other related duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

Graduation with a four-year degree in the Natural Sciences, Outdoor Recreation or a related field with specific coursework in botany, biology, zoology, wildlife management, forestry, conservation and education;

AND

One year of experience in the operation and development of a nature center, nature museum, park, forest or outdoor recreational area.

Abilities to assist in planning activities, maintain program activities, and prepare and direct interpretive education programs.

A valid motor vehicle operator license.

Experience offering specific and substantial preparation for the duties of the position may be substituted for the required education on a year-for-year basis.

PARK NATURALIST (continued)

HISTORY:

Revision of Classification Specification dated 05/15/66.

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