NOTICE OF PROPOSED CLASSIFICATION ACTIONS BY
THE HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR

The following actions are being posted in accordance with Civil Service Rule 109. In the absence of a protest addressed
to the Human Resources Director, the proposed changes will become final seven (7) calendar days from the posting date.

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AMEND THE FOLLOWING JOB SPECIFICATION(S):
(Job specification(s) attached.)

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Protests on an item should be addressed to the Human Resources Director and can be submitted by mail to the City
and County of San Francisco, Department of Human Resources, 1 South Van Ness Ave, 4th Floor, San Francisco, CA
94103 or by email to DHR.ClassificationActionPostings@sfgov.org. All protests must be received in writing no later than
close of business seven (7) calendar days from the posting date, and must include the posting and item number(s), the
basis on which the protest is submitted and identify the affected parties.

For additional information regarding this proposed classification action, please contact Megan Siems, Senior
Classification and Compensation Analyst, at (415) 557-4898 or by email at Megan.Siems@sfgov.org.

Copies of this notice may be obtained from the Department of Human Resources or from the website at:
http://sfdhr.org/index.aspx?page=109. Copies of Civil Service Rule 109 may be obtained from the Department of
Human Resources, the office of the Civil Service Commission at 25 Van Ness Ave, Suite 720, San Francisco, CA 94102

cc: All Employee Organizations
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    E-File
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INTRODUCTION

Under supervision, I in an assigned district or specialty, conducts investigations, routine inspections and responds to complaints involving vector related issues, hazardous materials, solid waste, and other general unsanitary conditions; may issues notices and citations; recommends corrective action; explains sanitation and/or hazardous materials and public health requirements related to code enforcement to the public, business community, and government agencies; utilizes techniques in effectively controlling rodents and vector related hazards; prepares records and reports; and performs related duties as required.

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES

As the entry technician level in the Environmental Health series, this class 6108 is responsible for the more routine investigations and site assessments related to vector control and, solid waste, hazardous materials or general unsanitary conditions. It is distinguished from the next higher class of Environmental Health Technician II in that employees in the latter class supervise employees at the Technician I level and perform the more difficult field investigation work. It is distinguished from the Environmental Health Inspector class in that the latter functions as the professional journey level and performs the more complicated investigations involving inspection of food and drink and dairy establishments, hazardous materials storage facilities subject to regulation by a Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA), toxic chemical sites and/or related areas which require registration as an environmental health specialist with the State of California. It is distinguished from the Rodent Control Technician class in that the latter are limited to providing vector control services which do not involve the enforcement of health and safety codes or issuance of citations.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED

None.

MAJOR, IMPORTANT, AND ESSENTIAL DUTIES

According to Civil Service Commission Rule 109, the duties specified below are representative of the range of duties assigned to this job code/class and are not intended to be an inclusive list.

1. Investigates complaints involving vector infestations of vector breeding sources, or complaints involving hazardous materials, lack of required refuse collections service, and other general unsanitary conditions; advises the public on the elimination of unsanitary conditions causing vector infestations, refuse collection service requirement, and hazardous materials storage requirements.

2. Inspects domestic, commercial and industrial properties for presence of vector breeding sources and other general unsanitary conditions; places traps and poisons and obtains specimens for laboratory analysis; combs ectoparasites from rodents for analysis; determines number of parasites found; prepares related reports.

3. Issues notices of violation and citations and recommends corrective action; may issue a municipal citation, which is a summons to appear at municipal court administrative hearings; prepares chronologies for the Director’s hearings before the Director of Bureau of
Environmental Health; performs follow-up inspections to ensure ordered corrections have been made; enforces provisions of health and safety codes such as those relating to the lack of required refuse collection service and/or unlawful disposal of refuse, debris and garbage accumulations; infestations of roaches, fleas, mosquitoes and other insects or vermin; illegal number of animals, or nuisances related to animal waste and odors; noxious overgrown vegetation; and/or any condition which creates a health or safety hazard or constitutes a public nuisance; enforces applicable provisions of the health and safety code pertaining to hazardous materials storage and the management requirements (for positions assigned to the Hazardous Materials and Waste Program).

4. Informs supervisor of unsanitary and unsafe conditions observed during investigation such as structural defects, fire hazards, inadequate plumbing, and broken sewer pipes; may refer these complaints and code violations to the Department of Public Works, Fire Department and Police appropriate departments.

5. May appear as witness in court hearings when expertise in vector control is required; attends meetings and educational conferences related to vector control; prepares various reports and performs other duties as assigned.

6. Performs investigations businesses to determine compliance whether businesses store hazardous materials at the threshold quantities requiring registration with the Hazardous Materials & Waste Program or need to subscribe to refuse collection service for residential and commercial properties for other issues related to general sanitation; inspects the regulated community for compliance of all applicable laws, regulations, and prerequisites for the Green Business Recognition Program.

7. Evaluates documentation and/or reports submitted by businesses for completeness; provides assistance in completing documentation forms and/or reports required for submission.

IMPORTANT AND ESSENTIAL KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

Basic Knowledge of: field inspection and enforcement techniques and procedures for preventing and controlling vector infestation in accordance with established procedures; various environmental health codes, rules, regulations and ordinances pertaining to the field of general sanitation, and vector related conditions.

Ability and Skill to: communicate effectively verbally and in writing with the public, building owners, managers, tenants and others; obtain effective cooperation and understanding of requirements to improve the general public health and sanitary conditions; and effectively apply organizational skills.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

These minimum qualifications establish the education, training, experience, special skills and/or license(s) which are required for employment in the classification. Please note, additional qualifications (i.e., special conditions) may apply to a particular position and will be stated on the exam/job announcement.

Education:

Completion of twenty-four (24) semester units from an accredited college or university in
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Engineering, mathematics, physical, natural and/or biological sciences

Experience:

Two (2) years, within the last six (6) years, of work experience involving direct public contact

License and Certification:

CONDITION OF EMPLOYMENT:

Employee may need to successfully complete and maintain the following for continued employment as an Environmental Health Technician I:

1. As required by the program, successful completion of the vector control exam series given by the State of California within two years of the start date of employment;

2. As required by the program, obtain Lead Inspector/Assessor’s Certification issued by the State of California within one year of the start date of employment;

3. As required by the program, obtain Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response Certification (HAZWOPER) as defined by California Code of Regulations Title 8 Section 5192 within one year of the start date of employment.

Substitution:

Two (2) years of experience in a public health/environmental agency or a related regulatory service agency performing duties similar to those described above may substitute for the required education and experience.

Possession of a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university with the completion of at least twenty-four (24) semester units in engineering, mathematics, physical, natural and/or biological sciences may substitute for the required experience.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
Title: Environmental Health Technician I  
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PROMOTIVE LINES

From: Entrance
To: 6110 Environmental Health Technician II

ORIGINATION DATE:

AMENDED DATE: 09/XX/2015

REASON FOR AMENDMENT: To accurately reflect the current tasks, knowledge, skills and abilities defined in the most recent job analysis conducted for this job code.

BUSINESS UNIT(S): COMMN SFMTA