

# **Position Description**

CMA PD No.	079			
Position title	Manager Environmental Water and Floodplain			
Team	Operations and Community			
Location	Irymple			
Position tenure	Temporary 3 years (subject to funding)			
Time fraction	1.0 FTE	Job share arrangement	☐ Yes ☑ No	
Classification	SEO	Salary range		
Delegation	<ul><li>☐ Financial</li><li>☐ Human Resources</li><li>☐ Not Applicable</li></ul>			
Child Safe Position	Working with Children Check required ⊠ Yes □ No			
Position Requirements	Driver's Licence   Yes □ No  Police Check  Yes □ No			

# **About the Mallee Catchment Management Authority (CMA)**

## **Our Vision**

Informed and active communities balancing the use of resources to generate wealth, with the protection and enhancement of our natural and cultural landscapes.

#### **Our Profile**

The Mallee CMA's primary responsibility is to ensure that natural resources in the region are managed in an integrated and ecologically sustainable way. We are the peak body for the delivery of natural resource programs in the Mallee. Our work is based on science and delivered through meaningful partnerships with government agencies, local organisations such as Landcare, and community groups in the Victorian Mallee.

# **Our Region**

The Mallee CMA region covers 3.9 million hectares – about one fifth of Victoria. It is the largest catchment area in the state and runs along the Murray River from Nyah to the South Australian border, and south to the vast dryland cereal and wheat crops of the Wimmera.

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The Mallee CMA's responsibilities include the management of:

- Waterways
- Biodiversity (including vegetation restoration and threatened species recovery)
- Floodplains
- Salinity
- · Land and soil health

The Mallee CMA also fulfils responsibilities in regional funding coordination in natural resource management community involvement and education; cultural heritage protection; and monitoring and reporting on the health of the catchment. The Authority also proudly supports Landcare in the Victorian Mallee.

#### Our culture and behaviours

The Mallee CMA is committed to ensuring staff have the necessary skills and support to deliver successful and sustainable outcomes for our community, environment and landscapes. We are a committed and dedicated team who continue to strive for best practice outcomes for the region and the environment.

# **Position Purpose**

The Mallee CMA features some of the most ecologically and culturally significant wetland and floodplain complexes in the Murray-Darling Basin, including 7 Victorian Murray Floodplain Restoration projects (VMFRP). An exciting opportunity exists for a motivated and passionate individual to contribute towards the environmental management of a suite of high priority wetlands within a large geographical region. The successful applicant will lead and support environmental water and floodplain management projects across a region that is home to more than 1,600km of river assets and in excess of 900 wetlands. Further, the successful applicant will be responsible for managing two The Living Murray Icon Sites (the Hattah Lakes and the Lindsay-Mulcra-Wallpolla Icon Site) and will be central in negotiating ecologically beneficial weir pool manipulation outcomes for Victoria.

The role is responsible for prioritising and delivering water for the environment to high value wetlands and rivers across the region. The role manages a team responsible for identifying demand and competing for limited water resource allocation to deliver on the objectives of the Mallee Waterway Strategy, Indigenous Participation Plan and Regional Catchment Strategy.

The key to success is community and stakeholder consultation to gain support for resource allocation and partnering in site-based program delivery. This includes managing multimillion-dollar procurement and contract processes, project management, community engagement services, and outcome and team performance.

The role contributes to achieving Mallee Catchment Management Authority Business Objective 1 to ensure that community is central to the planning, delivery and evaluation of natural resource management (NRM) and 2 to protect and enhance the region's natural, cultural and productive values.

#### Responsibilities

 Ensure that the Mallee CMA's interests are understood and represented by relevant organisations/jurisdictions and as part of high-level environmental water operational forums (VEWH, CEWH, MDBA, NSW, SA, Parks Vic, Water Authorities etc.).

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- Manage authority staff both employed and contracted with the objective of ensuring best management practice in human resources management, occupational health and safety, selection and recruitment, training and development, employee relations and performance management.
- Develop productive relations with, and liaise with, the Authority's stakeholders, the community, local government bodies, state and federal government authorities, water authorities, waterway management and water authority peak councils, and catchment and land protection boards.
- Promote the ideals of excellence and responsiveness in value added customer service as being the goal and responsibility of every employee.
- Initiate and develop contract documentation and probity processes; manage, monitor and review contracts outsourced; provide reports on progress and make recommendations on remedial action necessary to ensure effective completion of work within delegated authority.
- Provide technical ecological advice, project assistance, support and critical review of all reports developed within the Environmental Water team prior to broader distribution to DELWP, CEWH, VEWH or the MDBA.
- Lead a program of work to better position and progress the work of the Mallee CMA with regard to Weir pool Manipulation, Environmental Water, TLM, VMFRP and floodplain.
- Financial controls in place i.e. actuals are tracking against budgets, forecast budgets are being refined.

# **Key Selection Criteria**

KSC1: Demonstrated understanding of project and contract management including project planning, financial management, project monitoring, evaluation and reporting.

KSC2: Demonstrated ability to lead and motivate staff/collaborators, and to build productive working relationships and high performing teams.

KSC3: Demonstrated analytical and conceptual skills with capacity to investigate issues, develop options, make recommendations, formulate policy and provide advice, specifically in a natural resources sector.

KSC4: Ability to persuade, convince or negotiate with clients, members of the public, other employees and persons in other organisations in the pursuit and achievement of specific and set objectives.

KSC5: Demonstrated experience in development and management of projects to deliver ecological improvements and knowledge of environmental water and floodplain management.

KSC6: Demonstrated skills in communication, negotiation and conflict resolution and ability to represent the Mallee CMA as a professional with a client focused approach.

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# **Key Relationships**

Reports to	Executive Manager Floodplain Programs		
Responsible for	Up to 10 Employees		
Internal liaisons	Operational Management Committee		
External liaisons	Investors Environmental Water Reserve Officer Group Victorian Environmental Water Holder VEWH Commonwealth Environmental Water Office CEWH Murray Darling Basin Authority MDBA Water Corporations Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action DEECA Parks Victoria Aboriginal Reference Group Community		

Core Capability/Sub Capability	Capability Level Descriptor
<ul> <li>Leadership and Excellence</li> <li>Strategic Focus L3</li> <li>Team Dynamics L3</li> </ul>	Develops objectives with clear targets and goals, to meet Corporate Plan objectives and KPIs supporting the implementation of the RCS.  Cooperates and develops productive working relationships in the pursuit of team goals and recognises individual contributions publicly.
OHS & W L2 Quality and Risk Management L2	Promotes, educates and supports OHS&W work practices and complies wit OHS&W legislation, policy and procedure.  Addresses risks and monitors the effectiveness of strategies.  Supports employee wellbeing.  Educates and supports the enhancement of quality and risk management practices.  Ensures own work complies with accreditation standards and implements procedures to minimise/eliminate negative outcomes and improve practice.

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#### **Professionalism** Prioritises work; delegates appropriately demonstrating an understanding of organisational, team and individual priorities and capacities; and Time Management ensures that key requirements are met. L3 Initiative and Encourages teams to show initiative and looks for ways to work more Enterprise L3 dynamically. Accountability L3 Delegates to develop staff and accepts responsibility for actions of staff Problem Solving L3 and teams under authority. Analyses issues and different perspectives and draws sound inferences from information available. Implements systems to address problems and assists teams to take proactive approaches to problem solving. Community and Stakeholder Maintains and fosters engagement to empower the community to **Engagement** manage and implement change and capture local knowledge. Monitors interested parties' satisfaction. Reviews and manages initiatives Community Value L3 in response to changing needs of relevant interested parties. Investors and Networking L3 Observes confidentiality arrangements and sensitivities of project outputs **Builds Trust L3** with interested parties and manages non-conformance. **Program Management** Prepares funding applications and writes winning tenders. Funding Bids L3 Manages programs and complex projects, identifies processes, tasks and Program resources to work to timelines and budget and achieve goals and Development L3 obiectives. Sustainability L3 Writes policies and strategies for the organisation. Achieving Results Identifies and manages financial and project risks ensuring value for L3 investment is achieved. Clarifies roles and responsibilities of program staff and project teams and achieves necessary support from interested parties. **Project Delivery** Produces project plans where outcomes are clearly defined and action steps for achievement are clearly specified. **Project Management** L3 Prepares program and complex project budgets, and reviews financial **Budaet** performance. Management L3 Undertakes honest, transparent and appropriate decision-making Procurement and practices to determine path to market. Monitors contracts and manages Contract performance of contractors and staff. Management L3 Allocates resources and develops communication plans to ensure project Resources and delivery within delegated authority. Promotion L3 Interpersonal Writes accurate reports and program documents that meet audience **Communications** needs and contain the necessary information to achieve their purpose. Written Implements complex strategies to build buy in and support from key Communication L3 interested parties.

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Negotiation L4	
Natural Resource Management  • Knowledge of NRM Assets L3  • Integrated and Targeted Delivery L4  • Cultural Heritage L4	Continually liaises with key interested parties to ensure full understanding of the issues and builds links to strategy, corporate objectives and outputs.
	A strong history of integrating natural, cultural and productive landscape management for social, economic and environmental benefits.  Maintains high level knowledge of cultural heritage significance in the management of programs and projects and implements risk management strategies to preserve our history.
Change     Management L3	Implements change management processes and monitors progress.  Makes changes to work methods to improve outcomes, corrects problems promptly.

Personal Attribute	Descriptor
Creative and Innovative	Value-adding
	Provides a competitive approach
	Finds ways to work better and smarter
	Generates options and ideas
	Is open to change and alternatives
Resilient	Recovers from setbacks
	Constructively overcomes obstacles and impediments
	Learns from experience and identifies areas for self-development
Self-Disciplined	Manages own time to achieve key outcomes
	Avoids distraction and diversions
	Is organised and methodical

# **Qualifications**

 Degree in Environmental Management, Natural Resource Management, Engineering, Project Management or related discipline/relevant experience

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# Position specific requirements

- Experience in managing teams and delivering projects in natural resource management (NRM) or related discipline
- Four (4) years' experience in a similar role
- Drivers licence
- Frequent travel required to capital cities and regional areas
- Out of hours attendance at meetings may be a frequent occurrence

#### Other relevant information

# **Gender Equality, Diversity and Inclusion**

We are creating an environment of:

- Respect treating people as individuals and valuing their contribution to Mallee CMA
- Flexibility acknowledging the benefits of change and balance in meeting stakeholder and staff needs
- Support achieving organisational outcomes and growth through understanding
- Sustainability develop strategies that support economic, social and environmental responsibilities
- Safety creating a safe environment for difference
- Awareness identifying your own beliefs and biases and the uniqueness of others

### Flexible work place

We want flexibility to be embraced by all demographic groups and at all stages in our careers. Thinking about how we design jobs and working environments so that it makes it easier for all of our people to work in a flexible way is a starting point. It's important to note that the type of flexible work engaged in will vary with the nature of the job and the business area. Change and the quality of how we communicate are the key to success allowing, managers and employees the opportunity to be adaptable to the ongoing changing environment in which we work.

#### **Health and Safety**

Mallee CMA is committed to the effective management of occupational health, safety and wellbeing, which ranks equally with all other operational considerations. It is the aim of Mallee CMA to minimise the risk of injury and disease to our employees and other persons by adopting a planned and systematic approach to the management of occupational health and safety, and providing the resources for its successful implementation and continuous improvement.

# **Privacy**

The collection and handling of applications and personal information will be consistent with the requirements of the Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014.

#### **Pre-employment Screening**

As part of the recruitment process you may be required to undergo pre-employment screening.

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Position Description Approved						
The details contained in this Position Description are an accurate statement.		As the incumbent, I have read and understand the responsibilities, capabilities and role requirements as detailed in this document.				
	23/01/2023		/ /			
Chief Executive Officer	Date	Incumbent	Date			