



JOB DESCRIPTION FORM



| | | |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| JOB TITLE: Research Scientist | POSITION NUMBER: 13138 | CLASSIFICATION: SCL3 |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|

| | |
|--|---|
| AWARD PSA 1992 / PSGOGA 2014 | EMPLOYMENT TYPE Fixed Term, Full-Time |
|--|---|

| | |
|---|------------------------------------|
| DIRECTORATE Perth Museums & Collections | TEAM Terrestrial Zoology |
|---|------------------------------------|

| | |
|--|--|
| POSITION REPORTS TO 11205 Senior Curator, SCL4 | POSITIONS REPORTING TO THIS POSITION Nil |
|--|--|

PURPOSE OF POSITION
To undertake taxonomic research into Pilbara subterranean and short-range endemic fauna; identifying specimens; writing reports; and maintain collections.

CONTEXT
The Western Australian Museum is positioning itself through scientific and academic excellence, public programs and relevant exhibitions to keep pace with the rapidly changing face of Western Australia. The Museum has made a major contribution to the collection, conservation and research of the State's natural and social history, maritime heritage and the cultural heritage of Indigenous communities in Western Australia.

The Western Australian Museum is part of the Culture and Arts Portfolio, brought together by the Department of Culture and the Arts (DCA). DCA is the State Government agency responsible for the Government's support of management and development of arts and culture in Western Australia.

REGISTERED
DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE AND THE ARTS

INITIALS *AL* DATE *6/8/15*



JOB DESCRIPTION FORM



| | | |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| JOB TITLE: Research Scientist | POSITION NUMBER: 13138 | CLASSIFICATION: SCL3 |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|

| | |
|---|--|
| <p>STATEMENT OF DUTIES</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Conduct taxonomic identifications of subterranean and other SRE taxa and other specimens submitted to the WAM from industry. 2. Conduct a taxonomic overview of subterranean fauna and short-range endemic fauna from selected sites. 3. Provide support for the WAMInals website. 4. Conduct taxonomic research on strategic subterranean and SRE taxa, including alpha-taxonomic research, with a view to delimiting and naming novel species. 5. Collaborate with other museum staff to publish the results of the research project in high-quality peer-reviewed journals. 6. Update and enhance the Museum's website to provide data on the Pilbara fauna. 7. Work as part of a team to provide advice to Western Australian government departments regarding the outcomes of the project. <p>Other duties as required with respect to the skills, knowledge and abilities of the employee.</p> | <p>Compliance and Legislative Knowledge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Comply with Culture and Arts Portfolio Code of Conduct, policies and procedures and relevant appropriate legislation. ▪ Meet Occupational Safety and Health, Equal Opportunity and other legislative requirements in accordance with the parameters of the position. |
|---|--|

REGISTERED
DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE AND THE ARTS
INITIALS AL DATE 6/8/15



JOB DESCRIPTION FORM

| | | |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| JOB TITLE: Research Scientist | POSITION NUMBER: 13138 | CLASSIFICATION: SCL3 |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|

| | |
|---|--|
| <p>WORK RELATED REQUIREMENTS (SELECTION CRITERIA)</p> <p>Essential</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrated sound knowledge in the identification of subterranean and short-range endemic invertebrate fauna of the Pilbara region. Demonstrated knowledge and experience in publishing scientific papers in peer-reviewed journals. Demonstrated sound knowledge in managing data to be used in molecular projects, from tissue acquisition in the field to the final sequence data. Proven ability to work in a team environment and liaise with external clients and with government agencies. Demonstrated ability to complete major projects. Highly developed communication, interpersonal and negotiating skills. A tertiary degree in Biology is essential. Preference will be given to those applicants with a post-graduate degree or equivalent experience, preferably a Ph.D. | <p>KEY RELATIONSHIPS / INTERACTIONS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Head of Department Molecular Systematics Research Scientist Other project team members Staff from RioTinto Iron Ore <p>KEY CHALLENGES</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting project reporting milestones and timelines Operating within a team Managing large submissions of specimens Effective daily dialogue within the project team <p>SPECIAL CONDITIONS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> For appointment on a casual or fixed term basis a relevant work visa must be held if not an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia (if not currently held, must be acquired prior to commencement at applicant's expense). Valid and current Western Australian C (car) class drivers licence, or equivalent may be required A Current (within 6 months) National Police clearance will be required <p>LOCATION Welshpool, W.A.</p> |
|---|--|

Manager Signature: **Date:** / /

Employee Signature: **Date:** / /

REGISTERED
DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE AND THE ARTS

INITIALS DATE 6/8/15

