

Department of **Biodiversity**, **Conservation and Attractions**



Job Description Form

1. Position Details

Position Title Conservation Employee			Position Number DBCA3138158	
Level/Grade AWU Level 2	Specified Calling N/A	Agreement AWU (WA Public Sector) GA 2021, AWU Fire Services Provisions Agreement 2015		Effective Date 19 June 2023
Division Regional and Fire Management Services		Branch Midwest Region		
Section Murchison District		Location Geraldton		

2. Reporting Relationships

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Responsible to			Other offices reporting directly	to this office
Position Title Overseer	Level/Grade AWU Level 3] ⇔	Position title Conservation Employee	Level/Grade AWU Level 2
û Responsible to		_	3 x Conservation Employee 50d	AWU Level 2
This position				
☆ Officers under <i>direct</i> responsibility				

Position Title	Level/Grade	Approx. no. FTEs supervised
Nil		

3. Role and Scope

This is a brief outline of the key responsibilities and scope. Scope may include the level of guidance under which the job operates, range of assignments, and influence on results for the work function or program:

Operating under direct supervision:

Participates in a range of activities relating to conservation, parks and wildlife work within the department including prescribed burning, bushfire suppression and control, fauna and flora protection, construction and maintenance of infrastructure, support of tourism and recreational activities and the operation of associated machinery.

This position offers training and learning opportunities for Aboriginal people with preference given to local community members or approved Aboriginal community applicants.

Individuals undertake their duties and responsibilities in accordance with the department's <u>Code of Conduct</u>, policies and procedures, and relevant Government legislation.

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4. Responsibilities of the Position and Broad Outline of Duties

The proportion of time likely to be spent on each function or duty may, if appropriate, be indicated as a percentage (%).

Operating under direct supervision:

Conservation (35%)

- 1. Participates in activities associated with the protection of flora and fauna, including controlling pests and diseases and application of chemicals.
- 2. Undertakes the trapping and baiting of feral animals and preparation of baits.
- 3. Participates in the planting and or rehabilitation of disturbed sites with native vegetation.
- 4. Monitors native fauna populations.

Fire Management (30%)

- 5. Participates in fire management activities that contribute to bushfire suppression and prescribed burning operations commensurate with capability, capacity, training and level of experience.
- 6. Participates in firebreak construction and maintenance.
- 7. Erects signage.
- 8. Maintains water points and strategic road access.
- 9. Maintains fire equipment as required.
- 10. Use chemicals as required.

Parks and Visitor Services (30%)

- 11. Monitors visitor numbers and collects data.
- 12. Reports suspicious activity and offences on departmental land.
- 13. Uses various tools, machines and equipment to maintain park and land infrastructure.
- 14. Cleans and maintains visitor facilities including the collection and removal of rubbish.
- 15. Uses various tools, machines and equipment to construct park and visitor service infrastructure from a variety of materials including metal, wood, brick and cement.
- 16. Operates and maintains minor mobile and stationary plant and equipment.
- 17. Assists with the inspection of facilities.
- 18. Uses chemicals as required.

In undertaking this role, the following generic duties also apply: (5%)

Work Quality

19. Understands and undertakes basic quality control and able to recognize basic quality faults.

Customer Service

20. Liaises with the public in a positive and constructive manner.

Ethics and Compliance

- 21. Ensures records are maintained and reports are prepared in accordance with departmental and district standards.
- 22. Complies with relevant legislation, regulatory requirements, corporate policy, guidelines, procedures and ethical standards.

Work, Health and Safety

- 23. Responsible for personal safety and cooperates with team leader in carrying out of employee responsibilities as defined in the *Work Health and Safety Act 2020.*
- 24. Participates in safety initiatives including team meetings, Job safety Analysis preparation, workplace inspection, hazard identification and control and accident investigations.

Other

- 25. Participates in emergency incident rosters and responses which may be related to bushfires, search and rescue, or wildlife, as appropriate, and as directed by the District Manager.
- 26. Carries out other duties as required.

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5. Selection Criteria

In the context of the duties and responsibilities of the position, the following selection criteria apply. All criteria are essential unless specified otherwise.

Applicants should address the following three criteria, including, where possible the desirable criteria. These should be addressed in no more than three pages in total.

- 1. Under Section 50d of the *Equal Opportunities Act 1984*, Aboriginality is a genuine requirement for this position.
- 2. Ability to participate in manual activities related to the maintenance and construction of departmental assets, flora and fauna protection and fire suppression and control with a preference for someone who has an interest or experience in recreation and nature conservation management.
- 3. Commitment to adhering to work, health and safety procedures and principles; be willing to wear prescribed safety equipment and work safely with certified chemicals.
- 4. Experience in machine operations and or safe operation of chainsaws, brush cutters and common power tools. (**Desirable**)

The following essential criteria will be assessed at some stage during the selection process. Desirable criteria will be assessed as required:

- 5. Demonstrated literacy and numeracy skills including the ability to read and understand maps, and apply relevant guidelines, procedures, sections of Acts, policies and procedures in the work environment.
- 6. Ability to liaise and interact in a positive manner, good communication and interpersonal skills and able to work effectively in a team and with limited supervision when required.
- 7. Physically fit for "on the ground" operational fire work and be able to pass the departmental fire fitness test and be available for fire service consistent with the AWU (WA Public Sector) Award 1992 and any prevailing industrial agreements; plus ongoing willingness and ability to participate in fire management activities that contribute to bushfire suppression and prescribed burning operations commensurate with capability, capacity, training and level of experience.
- 8. Willingness and ability to work away from home, often for extended periods and in remote locations and be available for occasional weekend and irregular hours of work.
- 9. Understanding of equity and diversity principles and practices.
- 10. Current 'C' Class Driver's Licence.
- 11. Current 'MR' or 'HR' Class Driver's Licence. (Desirable)
- 12. Fire-fighting experience and certification. (Desirable)
- 13. Possess other skills or qualifications related to the position e.g. 1080 baiting certificate, firearms, animal trapping, accredited faller, first aid certificate, and common trade skills. **(Desirable)**

Values

Our organisational values drive the way we make decisions, interact with each other, and work together to achieve results.

Our five core values — Integrity, Collaboration, Accountability, Respect and Excellence — represent our commitment to a professional and inclusive workplace culture we can all enjoy. For the purposes of this recruitment process, behaviours that reflect these values are included as Essential and/or (as a minimum) Desirable selection criteria for this position.

14. Behaviour that reflects Integrity, Collaboration, Accountability, Respect and Excellence

Information on whether appointment to this position is subject to a satisfactory Working With Children or National Police check is included in Section 6 of this form.

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6. Other

Position Status Does the position form part of the permanent structure?	🖾 Yes 🔲 No		
Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Full time hours = 1 FTE. Write part time hours as a proportion of 1 e.g. 0.6 FTE if 3 days per week ie 60% of full time hours.	1 FTE		
Allowances and Special Conditions	District Allowance	North West Leave	
Applicable allowances and special	Air Conditioning	No Fixed Hours (Rangers only)	
conditions are checked with an 'x' in the appropriate box.	Ranger Leave (Rangers only)	Other - Please specify below: Fire Allowances	
Specialised Equipment Operated Specify type of equipment e.g. 4WD.	4WD, Chainsaws, fire equipment, minor mobile and stationary pla and equipment, spraying equipment		
Working With Children Specify if appointment to this position is subject to a satisfactory Working with Children check – if this position works with children, refer to http://www.checkwwc.wa.gov.au/checkwwc /WWC+Check/.	🗌 Yes 🖾 No		
National Police Check Specify if appointment to this position is subject to a satisfactory National Police check. For more information refer to the department's guidelines on <u>National Police</u> <u>checks</u> .	□ Yes 🖾 No		

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7. Certification

The details contained in this document are an accurate reflection of position.

Branch/Division Head	Director General
Signature:	Signature:
Date:	Date: