

JOB DESCRIPTION

Agency	Department of Primary Industry and Fisheries	Work Unit	Biosecurity and Animal Welfare
Job Title	Director, Biosecurity and Animal Welfare	Designation	Executive Contract Officer 2
Job Type	Full Time	Duration	Fixed for up to 4 years
Salary	\$226,126	Location	Darwin
Position Number	12845 RTF 137323	Closing	18/03/2018
Contact	Ian Curnow on 08 8999 2027 or ian.curnow@nt.gov.au		
Agency Information	https://dpir.nt.gov.au/		
Information for Applicants	Applications must be limited to a one-page summary sheet and an attached detailed resume/cv. For further information for applicants and example applications: click here		
Information about Selected Applicant's Merit	If you accept this position, a detailed summary of your merit (including work history, experience, qualifications, skills, information from referees, etc.) will be provided to other applicants, to ensure transparency and better understanding of the reasons for the decision. For further information: click here		
Special Measures	Not applicable to this vacancy.		
Apply Online Link	https://jobs.nt.gov.au/Home/Application?rtfld=137323		

Primary Objective: Provide leadership, direction, and management of the Biosecurity and Animal Welfare Division programs. This position has the leadership role in managing emergency animal and plant disease or pest responses.

Key Duties and Responsibilities:

1. Lead and manage the Biosecurity and Animal Welfare Division of the Department.
2. Provide specialised and high level policy advice to the senior executives of the Department and the Minister on biosecurity and market access issues.
3. Represent the Department on high level national biosecurity and market access forums and committees.
4. Ensure that appropriate risk management strategies are in place to effectively manage the prevention, surveillance, emergency preparedness and response to biosecurity incidents.
5. Effectively prioritise and match resources and activities to ensure Divisional and Departmental outcomes are met.
6. Develop and maintain relationships, networks and partnerships with stakeholders, including government, community and industry to facilitate effective biosecurity outcomes.
7. Function as the Northern Territory Coordinator for all Departmental responses.

Selection Criteria

Essential:

1. Demonstrated ability to lead and manage to achieve biosecurity and market access outcomes consistent with Departmental strategic direction.
2. Demonstrated knowledge of the political environment and the roles of key stakeholders in so far as they relate to biosecurity and market access policy development.
3. Well-developed communication, negotiation and collaboration skills to operate effectively in public service and external environments including representing the Department and Government in national forums.
4. High level resource management experience and demonstrated ability to prioritise and allocate according to need.
5. Demonstrated knowledge of contemporary public sector management and commitment to corporate strategies.

Desirable:

1. Professional qualifications in agriculture.
2. Experience in managing responses to animal or plant disease or pest.