



Job Description Form

Environmental Officer

Position Number:	101502	Portfolio:	Approvals
Classification:	Specified Calling Level 2	Reports to:	Manager Green Energy Approvals, SCL4
Location:	Joondalup or other location by agreement	Direct Reports:	Nil

Description

The Environmental Officer operates at an experienced professional level, under general direction and uses independent judgment. They conduct environmental assessments of detailed or complex proposals and provide scientific or technical advice on green energy proposals, ensuring compliance with legislative and policy frameworks. The position engages with stakeholders and supports the development of environmental strategies for green energy initiatives under limited supervision.

The Green Energy directorate leads the environmental assessment and approvals of projects that meet categories within the [Green Energy Approvals Initiative](#), including conventional wind, solar and wave power generators; hydrogen industries; lithium mining, critical minerals processing and construction or manufacturing of green energy in WA. The directorate leads the development and implementation of novel assessment approaches, policy, and guidance to ensure timely decisions and streamlined approval pathways for Green Energy projects.

Responsibilities

In context of above description, the role:

- Advising, negotiating and liaising with industry, government, the public, and scientific experts on the regulatory requirements and environmental matters relevant to green energy proposals.
- Investigating, assessing, advising, and reporting on the environmental impacts of moderately complex green energy proposals under Part IV or Part V of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*.
- Providing detailed scientific advice on key environmental factors and issues related to the impacts from development of green energy proposals.
- Resolving issues arising during the environmental impact assessment of environmental approval applications for green energy projects under general direction.
- Developing, maintaining and sharing of expertise to improve knowledge and build capability throughout the Department.
- Contributing to the development of strategic initiatives by providing scientific and technical advice relevant to green energy.
- Participating and contributing to projects focused on scientific advice and technical reporting for the development and implementation of green energy policies and strategies.
- Undertaking research on moderately complex scientific issues related to green energy under general direction.

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- Providing scientific advice to proponents and government agencies during the environmental assessment of green energy proposals.
- Monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of policies and programs, and recommend improvements as needed.
- Undertakes additional duties as required within the skills and scope of the position capabilities and departmental needs.

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At DWER, every employee is a leader. To support this, we have established clear [Leadership Expectations](#). For this role, you will be a [Personal Leader](#). Demonstrating the expected behaviours is crucial and aligned with the role's requirements.

Our culture is shaped by our [values](#). All employees are expected to uphold equity, diversity and inclusion, work health and safety, and ethical principles in all aspects of their work. This includes demonstrating cultural responsiveness by valuing diverse perspectives and contributing to culturally safe, inclusive, and trusted services – particularly for Aboriginal people and communities.



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Work related requirements

Read these requirements in context of the above contents.

1. You have a Bachelor of Science degree in a relevant discipline, or an approved equivalent qualification.
2. You have demonstrated ability to understand and apply relevant legislation, policy and regulatory frameworks and to contribute to developing, reviewing and implementing policies, procedures and guidance materials (you think through complexity).
3. You have demonstrated experience conducting environmental assessments under limited supervision including analysing and evaluating information, assessing risks and developing practical, evidence-based recommendations that support sound and defensible decisions (you think through complexity).
4. You have well-developed written and verbal communication skills to prepare high-quality correspondence, assessment documentation and reports, and to convey technical and regulatory information clearly to a range of audiences (you dynamically sense the environment).
5. You have demonstrated experience managing competing and shifting priorities, including coordinating work across multiple matters within a team environment to deliver agreed outputs to required quality standards and timeframes (you deliver on high leverage areas).
6. You have strong interpersonal skills and demonstrated experience engaging with a range of internal and external stakeholders to achieve outcomes. You work collaboratively, exercising sound judgement and professionalism, and contributing positively to a respectful workplace culture (you lead collectively).

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Special requirements

- The department will conduct a national police check before offering employment.
- This position requires a Current Western Australian C or C-A class driver's licence or equivalent.
- This position requires the ability and willingness to occasionally travel to remote locations in Western Australia.

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