



ACT
Government

Environment and Planning

Directorate: Environment & Planning Directorate

Division: Environment

Section: Parks and Conservation Service

Sub-Section: Urban Reserves

Position Title: Sanctuary Manager

Position No.: 37640

Classification: Senior Officer Grade C

The Directorate

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EPD also has responsibility for the Parks and Conservation Service (PCS) in the management of the ACT's conservation estate including Nature Reserves, National Parks, commercial softwood forests and rural lands.

The Section

The Urban Reserves Section provides management responsibilities for Canberra Nature Park, Mulligans Flat Woodland Sanctuary, Jerrabomberra Wetlands, Molonglo River Park and Googong Foreshores. The day to day management of the forestry and rural areas within the ACT is also a responsibility of the section.

The Sanctuary

The Sanctuary is the area in Mulligans Flat that is protected by a feral animal proof fence and it is expanding to become nearly three times as big as the current 480 hectares. A concept plan for the whole Sanctuary complex is being developed in a consultative process.

The Sanctuary and adjoining reserves host the Mulligans Flat Goorooyaroo Woodland Experiment which is a partnership between the Australian National University, CSIRO and ACT Government to rehabilitate the Yellow Box Blakely's Red Gum grassy woodlands.

Further information can be found at: <http://www.mfgowoodlandexperiment.org.au/>

Partnership

The Mulligans Flat Woodland Sanctuary is managed in partnership by the Parks and Conservation Service and the Woodlands and Wetlands Trust. This position will take a lead role in fostering this strategic partnership. While the position will be an ACT Government employee, it is partially funded through the Woodlands and Wetlands Trust. Further information on the Trust and Sanctuary can be seen at:

<https://woodlandsandwetlands.org.au/>

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The Division and Branch

The Environment Division comprises the following branches:

- Environment Protection Policy;
- Nature Conservation Policy
- Conservation Research;
- Catchment Management and Water Policy; and
- Parks and Conservation Service.

The ACT Parks and Conservation Service is responsible for the day-to-day management of the ACT non-urban parks, rural lands and public land, as well as liaison with rural and broad acre lessees in the management of their leases.

The Position

This new and exciting position has been established under an innovative partnership arrangement between the Woodlands and Wetlands Trust and the ACT Parks and Conservation Service. It will be responsible for the day to day management of the Mulligans Flat Woodland Sanctuary and surrounding nature reserves. This includes the Mulligans Flat and Gorooyarroo Nature Reserves and associated environmental offset areas. The position will be located in the Parks and Conservation Service of the Environment and Planning Directorate in the ACT.

1. Develop the Reserve Operations Plan for the Sanctuary, and identify budgeted and unbudgeted resourcing requirements for the continued smooth operation and development of the Sanctuary in alignment with the strategic/concept plan.
2. Manage all staff and volunteers delivering operational works and community engagement activities in the Sanctuary.
3. Oversee the development of operational programs within the extended Sanctuary and improved visitor engagement infrastructure and programs in line with the Concept Plan.
4. Provide oversight and coordination for on-ground operations, to minimise conflicts and optimise alignment across research, outreach, and sanctuary management activities
5. Continue to develop strong relationships with key partners including the ANU, CSIRO, Woodlands and Wetlands Trust, Conservation Research team of EPD and other Sanctuaries.
6. Support and encourage innovation and knowledge transfer with the ACT Government and beyond that recognises the Sanctuary's experience and achievements

7. Identify and support new partnership and funding opportunities to continue to grow the resources available to support the Sanctuary.
8. Maintain records in accordance with the Territory Records Act 2002.

Selection Criteria

1. Highly developed communication, representational and interpersonal skills, including the ability to foster healthy partnerships in complex stakeholder environments.
2. Extensive experience and demonstrated skills in natural and cultural resource management, including innovative operations and conservation recovery programs.
3. Proven ability to lead harmonious and productive teams including demonstrated problem solving skills.
4. Demonstrated budget planning and management skills and capacity to plan and deliver complex conservation works programs.
5. Demonstrated commitment to the implementation of the principles of workplace diversity, participative work practices and workplace health and safety.
6. Experience in attracting resources to support conservation or similar programs (desirable).
7. Demonstrated ability to consistently display commitment to the implementation of the principles of workplace diversity, participative work practices, workplace health and safety, and compliance with the requirements of the Territory Records Act. Mandatory criteria

Qualifications and experience other than prescribed

Relevant qualifications and experience in environmental and/or natural resource management is required.

Further Information

For further information about EPD, its roles and functions, employment conditions, office locations and other related resources, please visit <http://www.environment.act.gov.au/>.