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| **Portfolio** | Primary Industries & Regional Development |
| **Department/Agency** | Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development |
| **Group/Division/Branch** | NSW Resources |
| **Location** | Regional NSW |
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Agency overview

The Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) is the department dedicated to growing primary industries and supporting regional economic development to deliver long term benefits to the state. Our focus is to protect, support and develop our primary industries, mining sector, and regions.

DPIRD brings together Agriculture; Biosecurity; Forestry and Fishing; Local Land Services; NSW Resources; Regional Development and Delivery; the Regional Growth NSW Development Corporation; NSW Public Works and Soil Conservation Service.

We have nearly 5,000 employees, with almost 80 per cent of us living and working in regional NSW.

NSW Resources sets strategic policy for the state’s mineral and energy resources, gathers, analyses and disseminates geoscientific information, and assesses and determines applications for mineral and petroleum titles for exploration activities and extractive uses. NSW Resources is committed to delivering strong and quality outcomes, with the vision of our minerals and petroleum resources generating prosperity for the people of NSW.

Primary purpose of the role

The Finance and Reporting Officer is responsible for providing management accounting support to NSW Resources and undertakes a range of activities around budgeting, forecasting, financial analysis and managing financial and other information necessary for the timely distribution of regular management reports.

Key accountabilities

* Create, maintain, and update financial models, forecasts and budgets.
* Deliver timely, meaningful and actionable performance reporting to ensure efficient and effective internal financial management.
* Recommend and execute approved changes around current planning, budgeting, forecasting and reporting frameworks.
* Analyse and provide advice on periodic and ongoing operating budgets and forecasts.
* Contribute to a range of activities that support financial management of the group.
* Communicate with key stakeholders to facilitate exchange of information and advice for the delivery of a range of projects in line with divisional objectives.

Key challenges

* Establishing relationships with stakeholders to develop trust and ensure reliable and accurate information.
* Prioritising workloads to provide balanced support to internal and external stakeholders within tight and generally mandated timetables.

Key relationships

| Who | Why |
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| **Internal** |  |
| Manager/Supervisor | * Provide advice and reporting and contribute to decision making regarding projects and issues * Escalate issues and propose solutions * Receive guidance and provide regular updates on projects, issues and priorities |
| Other staff | * Support team, work collaboratively to contribute to achieving the team’s business outcomes * Resolve issues and provide solutions to problems * Provide information regarding agency sector wide rules and standard |

# Role dimensions

## Decision making

The role operates with some level of autonomy within the context of their agreed work plan and makes decisions within the limits of delegated authority. The role is accountable for the delivery of assigned work and is directed by its supervisor/manager on work priorities, complex issues and all matters requiring a higher authority to determine and resolve issues.

## Reporting line

This role reports to the Manager, Finance and Reporting

## Direct reports

Nil

## Budget/Expenditure

Nil

Key knowledge and experience

* Experience providing budget and finance support services at a senior level.

Essential requirements

* Appropriate tertiary qualifications or equivalent, or relevant professional experience and training
* Compliance with pre-employment probity screening is mandatory and a condition of engagement.

## Capabilities for the role

The [NSW public sector capability framework](https://www.psc.nsw.gov.au/workforce-management/capability-framework/the-capability-framework) describes the capabilities (knowledge, skills and abilities) needed to perform a role. There are four main groups of capabilities: personal attributes, relationships, results and business enablers, with a fifth people management group of capabilities for roles with managerial responsibilities. These groups, combined with capabilities drawn from occupation-specific capability sets where relevant, work together to provide an understanding of the capabilities needed for the role.

The capabilities are separated into focus capabilities and complementary capabilities

## Focus capabilities

Focus capabilities are the capabilities considered the most important for effective performance of the role. These capabilities will be assessed at recruitment.

The focus capabilities for this role are shown below with a brief explanation of what each capability covers and the indicators describing the types of behaviours expected at each level.

## Focus capabilities

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| **Capability group/sets** | **Capability name** | **Behavioural indicators** | **Level** |
| personal-attributes | **Manage Self**  Show drive and motivation, an ability to self-reflect and a commitment to learning | Adapt existing skills to new situations  Show commitment to achieving work goals  Show awareness of own strengths and areas for growth, and develop and apply new skills  Seek feedback from colleagues and stakeholders  Stay motivated when tasks become difficult | Intermediate |
| relationships | **Communicate Effectively**  Communicate clearly, actively listen to others, and respond with understanding and respect | Tailor communication to diverse audiences  Clearly explain complex concepts and arguments to individuals and groups  Create opportunities for others to be heard, listen attentively and encourage them to express their views  Share information across teams and units to enable informed decision making  Write fluently in plain English and in a range of styles and formats  Use contemporary communication channels to share information, engage and interact with diverse audiences | Adept |
| relationships | **Commit to Customer Service**  Provide customer-focused services in line with public sector and organisational objectives | Focus on providing a positive customer experience  Support a customer-focused culture in the organisation  Demonstrate a thorough knowledge of the services provided and relay this knowledge to customers  Identify and respond quickly to customer needs  Consider customer service requirements and develop solutions to meet needs  Resolve complex customer issues and needs  Cooperate across work areas to improve outcomes for customers | Intermediate |
| results | **Deliver Results**  Achieve results through the efficient use of resources and a commitment to quality outcomes | Seek and apply specialist advice when required  Complete work tasks within set budgets, timeframes and standards  Take the initiative to progress and deliver own work and that of the team or unit  Contribute to allocating responsibilities and resources to ensure the team or unit achieves goals  Identify any barriers to achieving results and resolve these where possible  Proactively change or adjust plans when needed | Intermediate |
| results | **Think and Solve Problems**  Think, analyse and consider the broader context to develop practical solutions | Research and apply critical-thinking techniques in analysing information, identify interrelationships and make recommendations based on relevant evidence  Anticipate, identify and address issues and potential problems that may have an impact on organisational objectives and the user experience  Apply creative-thinking techniques to generate new ideas and options to address issues and improve the user experience  Seek contributions and ideas from people with diverse backgrounds and experience  Participate in and contribute to team or unit initiatives to resolve common issues or barriers to effectiveness  Identify and share business process improvements to enhance effectiveness | Adept |
| business-enablers | **Finance**  Understand and apply financial processes to achieve value for money and minimise financial risk | Understand core financial terminology, policies and processes, and display knowledge of relevant recurrent and capital financial measures  Understand the impacts of funding allocations on business planning and budgets  Identify discrepancies or variances in financial and budget reports, and take corrective action  Know when to seek specialist advice and support and establish the relevant relationships  Make decisions and prepare business cases, paying due regard to financial considerations | Adept |
| business-enablers | **Project Management**  Understand and apply effective planning, coordination and control methods | Perform basic research and analysis to inform and support the achievement of project deliverables  Contribute to developing project documentation and resource estimates  Contribute to reviews of progress, outcomes and future improvements  Identify and escalate possible variances from project plans | Intermediate |

## Complementary capabilities

*Complementary capabilities* are also identified from the Capability Framework and relevant occupation-specific capability sets. They are important to identifying performance required for the role and development opportunities.

Note: capabilities listed as ‘not essential’ for this role are not relevant for recruitment purposes however may be relevant for future career development.

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| **Capability group/sets** | **Capability name** | **Description** | **Level** |
| personal-attributes | Display Resilience and Courage | Be open and honest, prepared to express your views, and willing to accept and commit to change | Intermediate |
| personal-attributes | Act with Integrity | Be ethical and professional, and uphold and promote the public sector values | Intermediate |
| personal-attributes | Value Diversity and Inclusion | Demonstrate inclusive behaviour and show respect for diverse backgrounds, experiences and perspectives | Foundational |
| relationships | Work Collaboratively | Collaborate with others and value their contribution | Foundational |
| relationships | Influence and Negotiate | Gain consensus and commitment from others, and resolve issues and conflicts | Foundational |
| results | Plan and Prioritise | Plan to achieve priority outcomes and respond flexibly to changing circumstances | Intermediate |
| results | Demonstrate Accountability | Be proactive and responsible for own actions, and adhere to legislation, policy and guidelines | Intermediate |
| business-enablers | Technology | Understand and use available technologies to maximise efficiencies and effectiveness | Adept |
| business-enablers | Procurement and Contract Management | Understand and apply procurement processes to ensure effective purchasing and contract performance | Intermediate |