Role Description Team Leader Aboriginal Ranger Program



Cluster	Regional NSW
Agency	Local Land Services
Division/Branch/Unit	Regional Operations
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Agency overview

The Department of Regional NSW was formed in 2020 as a central agency for regional issues. The Department has responsibility for building resilient regional economies and communities, strengthening primary industries, managing the use of regional land, overseeing the state's mineral and mining resources and ensuring government investment in regional NSW is fair and delivers positive outcomes for local communities and businesses.

Local Land Services (LLS) is an Executive Agency related to the cluster. It provides quality, customer-focused services to landholders and the community across New South Wales. This regionally-based organisation brings together a wide range of service and advisory functions including agriculture, biosecurity, natural resource management, land management, biodiversity, emergency services, private native forestry and the Soil Conservation Service.

Primary purpose of the role

The purpose of the role is to lead the development of a state wide program that supports a team of Aboriginal trainees and project officers to undertake land management and environmental projects on behalf of LLS. The role will act as a mentor and leader to the group and is a key contact between stakeholders and works closely with Aboriginal communities.

Key accountabilities

- Lead the Aboriginal Ranger Program team, coordinating and scheduling projects for the team, mentoring team members, coordinating training support and working closely with the Aboriginal community and Aboriginal Elders to encourage trainee participation and completion of program objectives.
- Mentor and role model to the team and this will include demonstrating a willingness to learn about the importance of connection to land and waterways to promote sustainability while supporting and encouraging the engagement of others.



- Liaise with senior managers and regional staff to draft project budgets and resources and ensure the program is set up for success
- Develop frameworks, policies, strategies, plans and methodologies to support project delivery by regional teams.
- Negotiate and co-ordinate the work performed by regional teams to ensure that services are provided in accordance with agreed project requirements, standards, budget and timeframe and corporate objectives.
- Develop and deliver high-level advice in the development and management of the program and ensure senior management are fully briefed on the progress.
- Liaise with the Business Partner Aboriginal Cultural Engagement and General Managers to discuss delivery by regional teams when program is established.

Key challenges

- Developing and managing productive internal and external partnerships and networks, and combining the views and interests of groups with different priorities for the delivery and implementation of projects to meet the objectives of the Aboriginal Ranger Program
- Determining and achieving project deadlines and milestones and taking steps to ensure that project outcomes are consistent with agreed priorities, plans and standards and corporate objectives
- Managing and mentoring the trainees with varying performance abilities, and to work through any team conflicts or discrepancies.

Key relationships

Who	Why
Internal	
Manager, Programs - Regional Operations	Manager, Programs - Regional Operations
BP Aboriginal Cultural Engagement	Work collaboratively to achieve required outcomes
External	
Manager, Programs - Regional Operations	 Receive guidance and provide advice and consult on development and implementation of projects and coordination of related activities Deliver reports and make recommendations on project planning and implementation to meet the objectives of LLS
Aboriginal Community	Liaise closely with the Aboriginal community to engage with the project

Role dimensions

Decision making

In association with their manager, responsible for making decisions on the implementation and delivery of the Aboriginal Ranger Program that support the directions and objectives of LLS.

Reporting line

Manager, Programs - Regional Operations



Direct reports

A team of project support staff and trainees.

Budget/Expenditure

Authorisation for expenditure of allocated project resources under applicable Departmental delegation

Essential requirements

- Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent through parentage, identification as being Aboriginal and accepted in the community as such. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1997
- Experience in project support and engagement with Aboriginal communities including Understanding of Aboriginal cultural protocols, Aboriginal community dynamics and the management of sensitive information and relationships.
- Current NSW Class C Driver Licence and ability and willingness to travel

Capabilities for the role

The <u>NSW public sector capability framework</u> 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			
Capability group/sets	Capability name	Behavioural indicators	Level
Personal Attributes	Display Resilience and Courage Be open and honest, prepared to express your views, and willing to accept and commit to change	 Be flexible, show initiative and respond quickly when situations change Give frank and honest feedback and advice Listen when ideas are challenged, seek to understand the nature of the comment and respond appropriately Raise and work through challenging issues and seek alternatives Remain composed and calm under pressure and in challenging situations 	Adept



	Act with Integrity Be ethical and professional, and uphold and promote the public sector values	 Represent the organisation in an honest, ethical and professional way and encourage others to do so Act professionally and support a culture of integrity Identify and explain ethical issues and set an example for others to follow Ensure that others are aware of and understand the legislation and policy framework within which they operate Act to prevent and report misconduct and illegal and inappropriate behaviour 	Adept
Relationships	Commit to Customer Service Provide customer-focused services in line with public sector and organisational objectives	 Take responsibility for delivering high-quality customer-focused services Design processes and policies based on the customer's point of view and needs Understand and measure what is important to customers Use data and information to monitor and improve customer service delivery Find opportunities to cooperate with internal and external stakeholders to improve outcomes for customers Maintain relationships with key customers in area of expertise Connect and collaborate with relevant customers within the community 	Adept
	Work Collaboratively Collaborate with others and value their contribution	 Encourage a culture that recognises the value of collaboration Build cooperation and overcome barriers to information sharing and communication across teams and units Share lessons learned across teams and units Identify opportunities to leverage the strengths of others to solve issues and develop better processes and approaches to work Actively use collaboration tools, including digital technologies, to engage diverse audiences in solving problems and improving services 	Adept
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 	Adept





	Demonstrate Accountability	• • •	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 Assess work outcomes and identify and share learnings to inform future actions	Adept
	Be proactive and responsible for own actions, and adhere to legislation, policy and guidelines	•	Ensure that own actions and those of others are focused on achieving organisational outcomes Exercise delegations responsibly Understand and apply high standards of financial probity with public monies and other resources Identify and implement safe work practices, taking a systematic risk management approach to ensure own and others' health and safety Conduct and report on quality control audits Identify risks to successfully achieving goals, and take appropriate steps to mitigate those risks	
Business Enablers	Project Management Understand and apply effective planning, coordination and control methods	•	management process, including the need to consider change management to realise business benefits Prepare clear project proposals and accurate estimates of required costs and resources Establish performance outcomes and measures for key project goals, and define monitoring, reporting and communication requirements Identify and evaluate risks associated with the project and develop mitigation strategies Identify and consult stakeholders to inform the project strategy Communicate the project's objectives and its expected benefits Monitor the completion of project milestones against goals and take necessary action Evaluate progress and identify improvements to inform future projects	Adept
People Management	Manage and Develop People Engage and motivate staff, and develop capability and potential in others	•	Define and clearly communicate roles, responsibilities and performance standards to achieve team outcomes Adjust performance development processes to meet the diverse abilities and needs of individuals and teams Develop work plans that consider capability, strengths and opportunities for development Be aware of the influences of bias when managing team members	Adept



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	and develop strategies to address any gaps

- Address and resolve team and individual performance issues, including unsatisfactory performance, in a timely and effective way
- Monitor and report on team performance in line with established performance development frameworks

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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Personal Attributes	Manage Self	Show drive and motivation, an ability to self-reflect and a commitment to learning	Adept
	Value Diversity and Inclusion	Demonstrate inclusive behaviour and show respect for diverse backgrounds, experiences and perspectives	Intermediate
	Communicate Effectively	Communicate clearly, actively listen to others, and respond with understanding and respect	Adept
Relationships	Influence and Negotiate	Gain consensus and commitment from others, and resolve issues and conflicts	Intermediate
Results	Deliver Results	Achieve results through the efficient use of resources and a commitment to quality outcomes	Adept
	Plan and Prioritise	Plan to achieve priority outcomes and respond flexibly to changing circumstances	Intermediate
*	Finance	Understand and apply financial processes to achieve value for money and minimise financial risk	Intermediate
Business	Technology	Understand and use available technologies to maximise efficiencies and effectiveness	Intermediate
Enablers	Procurement and Contract Management	Understand and apply procurement processes to ensure effective purchasing and contract performance	Intermediate
	Inspire Direction and Purpose	Communicate goals, priorities and vision, and recognise achievements	Intermediate
People Management	Optimise Business Outcomes	Manage people and resources effectively to achieve public value	Intermediate
	Manage Reform and Change	Support, promote and champion change, and assist others to engage with change	Intermediate

