# Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action

Position Description





## Position details

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| **Position title:** | Senior Intelligence Analyst |
| **Position number:** | 50935311 |
| **Classification:** | VPS Grade 4 |
| **Salary range:** | $97,955 to $111,142 plus superannuation |
| **Employment type:** | Ongoing |
| **Group:** | Bushfire and Forest Services Group |
| **Division & Branch:** | Conservation Regulator, Regulatory Operations |
| **Work location:** | Flexible within Victoria  Hybrid work arrangement available: Yes  No |
| **Reports to:** | Program Manager Regulatory Intelligence |
| **Direct reports:** | Yes  No If yes, how many? |
| **Further information:** | Director Regulatory Operations |

Position purpose

The Intelligence team within the Strategic Operations and Intelligence Unit manages intelligence and information systems and processes to inform the assessment of risk, prioritisation and therefore informs choices regarding the priority regulatory and compliance activities of the Conservation Regulator’s Regulatory Operations Branch, Parks Victoria’s enforcement unit, and Forest Fire Operations Division’s (FFOD) and Parks Victoria’s authorised compliance staff.

The Senior Intelligence Analyst leads the development of intelligence product through intelligence collection, analysis, presentation and dissemination, and management of relationships with key stakeholders. The role requires strong analytical skills, the ability to work with quantitative and qualitative information, and skills in relationship management and transforming data into intelligence.

Context

**Group**

Bushfire and Forest Services (BFS) is the public land manager for 3.2 million hectares of State forests, including delivery and maintenance of recreation assets, tourism services and forest health activities, and leads DEECA’s works across the state in preparing for and responding to fire and other emergencies on public land, to reduce impacts on people, property and the environment.

BFS employs over 1,900 people in every corner of Victoria, with an additional seasonal workforce that contributes to Victoria’s bushfire response capability. We create local jobs, employing people from the communities we serve.

BFS provides high quality advice to government on forest, and fire and emergency management. As one of DEECA’s primary connections to local communities across the state, the group also provides valuable intelligence on how policy and programs can be designed and delivered to better meet the needs of Victorians.

**Division**

The Conservation Regulator is accountable for the delivery of DEECA’s regulatory responsibilities in biodiversity, fire prevention and public land use regulation. Our mission is to be an effective, trusted, best practice regulator – ensuring transparency, collaboration and strong regulatory capability to deliver on regulatory outcomes. As a risk-based, intelligence-led regulator, we focus regulatory effort on the highest environmental and compliance risks at the state, regional and local level. We use targeted regulatory interventions to educate, provide guidance, and monitor and enforce compliance with the law.

In addition to regulation for conservation and wildlife, we deliver a non-regulatory assurance program to support transparency and continuous improvement in forest and fire operations works.

We are based state-wide and value the delivery of our services at place. We value working collaboratively across the Conservation Regulator, as one, to deliver effective outcomes in our areas of responsibility.

We work closely with our regulatory partners, our departmental colleagues, traditional owners, stakeholder groups and the community to deliver outcomes for conservation, public land management and wildlife.

**Branch**

The Regulatory Operations Branch leads and coordinates state-wide regulatory service delivery. Staff are responsible for conducting complex risk assessments, harm prevention campaigns, audits, inspections, investigations and intelligence functions operating at the highest level of integrity and accountability for direct regulatory responsibilities.

The branch is responsible for administering authorities to control wildlife permits and rehabilitator permits as well as strategically monitoring all licence and permit types issued by the regulator. The Regulatory Operations branch works closely with the Permissions Unit to ensure seamless, strategic management of permissions.

The branch ensures strategic and effective risk-based and intelligence-led approaches to compliance for biodiversity, public land regulation and wildlife. The branch builds community confidence in regulatory practices by being open and transparent, engaging and partnering with traditional owners, co-regulators, community organisations and the public at large.

**Unit**

The Strategic Operations and Intelligence Unit leads complex and significant strategic environmental compliance operations and regulatory programs that cross regional boundaries. The Unit is responsible for the operational and tactical intelligence functions of the regulator.

The unit manages strategic operational relationships with key partner agencies such as Australian Border Force, federal and interstate environmental regulators. It works with DEECA Legal Services, co-regulators and regulated parties.

The Unit is also responsible for the management and coordination of arrangements associated with the care of seized or surrendered wildlife.

The Strategic Operations and Intelligence Unit also manages intelligence and information systems and processes to inform compliance and enforcement activities of the Conservation Regulator, FFOD and Parks Victoria.

Accountabilities

* Lead intelligence support to Conservation Regulator, FFOD and Parks Victoria by creating, assessing, enhancing and disseminating Observations (information reports), and providing innovative intelligence product to support compliance operations.
* Engage with DEECA and Parks Victoria staff to encourage continuous improvement in intelligence collection, including the quality and timeliness of data.
* Adhere to department policies, procedures and legislative requirements, particularly in respect to information data security management and privacy.
* Set clearly defined objectives and priorities around intelligence analysis and operate accordingly, demonstrating flexibility and initiative.
* Ensure quality of information input and maintained in the Conservation Regulator intelligence database.
* Compose correspondence, briefs, reports, internal communications and intelligence for DEECA and Parks Victoria and DEECA on compliance issues and activities, service agreements and memorandums with other government agencies.
* Initiate, develop and maintain effective relationships across Conservation Regulator units, DEECA divisions, service delivery partners, external stakeholders and other regulatory agencies, to facilitate collaboration and information sharing.
* Ensure the highest ethical standards in the delivery of the department’s objectives, with a strong commitment to the DEECA values, including safety and wellbeing.
* To practice cultural safety by creating environments, relationships and systems free from racism and discrimination so that people can feel safe, valued and able to participate.

Key Selection Criteria

The key selection criteria specified below outline the capabilities required for the position.

**Specialist/Technical Expertise/Qualifications**

* Working knowledge of Victorian environmental, privacy and data protection legislation.
* Experience in intelligence analysis with an applied ability to review and interpret information and data and identify trends, patterns and issues, and respond with relevant intelligence product.
* Contribute to strategic policy development within intelligence and the broader operational environment.

**Knowledge and Skills**

**Problem Solving:**

* Anticipates potential problems and pre-empts required actions.
* Continually liaises with key stakeholders to ensure full understanding of the issues.
* Evaluates implemented courses of action and makes adjustments as required.
* Observes fine details; identifies gaps in information; looks for logical sequences of information; highlights practical considerations of plans and activities.
* Research and apply advanced theoretical knowledge in the intelligence field to operational problem solving.

**Influence and Negotiation:**

* Develops long-term, complex and multi-phased plans to influence others.
* Implements complex strategies to build buy-in and support from key internal and external clients or stakeholders.
* Uses a variety of different influencing approaches tailored to different clients.
* Effectively negotiates with clients/stakeholders to achieve desired outcomes.
* Convey intelligence concepts and policies to clients, staff and stakeholders.

**Advanced Computer Skills:**

* Uses a wide range of software application features for word processing, spreadsheets, etc.
* Assists others with problem-solving on word processing and related applications.
* Aptitude to learn new software applications.

**Verbal Communication:**

* Clearly and confidently communicates with people at all levels of the organisation.
* Ability to negotiate and maintain new relationships with internal and external stakeholders.
* Understands and meets the needs of target audience and applies audience feedback to refine communication and ensure communications are understood.
* Handles difficult and sensitive communications well.

Position specific requirements

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| Financial Delegation Value | **$0** A declaration of Private Interests will be required for positions with financial delegations of >$20,000 |
| The occupational health and safety requirements of this position may include, but are not limited to: | * Sedentary desk work * Field work |
| DEECA will conduct relevant checks about applicants and the information provided within an application. Checks will include but are not limited to: | A Declaration and Consent form consenting to DEECA contacting current and previous employer(s) to substantiate employment history, past conduct and performance is required.  A satisfactory National Police Check will be required (for all non-DEECA employees). |
| Employment terms and conditions | Are governed by the *Victorian Public Service Enterprise Agreement 2024* and the *Public Administration Act* *2004.*  Recipients of Victorian Public Service (VPS) voluntary departure packages should note that re-employment restrictions apply  Non-VPS applicants will be subject to a probation period of six months |
| Privacy | The department affirms that the collection and handling of applications and personal information will be consistent with the requirements of the Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014. |

About the Department

We employ approximately 6,300 staff, including around 600 seasonal staff, across more than 86 locations throughout Victoria, across energy, environment, climate action, water, agriculture, and resources portfolios.

Our challenge is to maintain Victoria’s liveability, with a population expected to almost double by 2050, while responding to climate change and protecting our natural environment, infrastructure and heritage for future generations. We take a community-centred approach and involve communities and key stakeholders in decisions and policies that affect them and we collaborate across our portfolios to design and deliver services and programs.

For further information about the department, please visit our website [www.deeca.vic.gov.au](http://www.deeca.vic.gov.au)

Our values

Our values align with the core [Public Sector values](https://careers.vic.gov.au/victorian-public-sector/public-sector-values-integrity) – responsiveness, integrity, impartiality, accountability, respect, leadership and human rights. Additionally, we use our Leadership Model to shape the way we work. Using the principles of ‘Work Together’, ‘Do What Matters’ and ‘Make a Difference’ we create a culture that puts our people at the centre of everything we do. The Leadership Model reminds us of what’s important in our daily interactions with each other, and in the actions and decisions we take to deliver our work.

Our Community Charter

We are committed to the Victorian Government Public Engagement Framework that enables meaningful and inclusive engagement to make better decisions and improve the lives of Victorians. Our Community Charter is our promise to be available, be involved and listen, and take action as we deliver services and create opportunities that supports thriving, productive, and sustainable communities, environments and industries.

Emergency Response and Health and Safety Requirements

The departmentplays a major role in Victoria’s emergency response activities, through an all-hazards, all-emergencies approach. Staff may be directly employed for these roles or may be called upon to support these activities as required following the appropriate training and “fit for work” assessment.

A Diverse, Inclusive and Flexible Workplace

DEECA welcomes applicants from a diverse range of backgrounds and we focus on the essential requirements of the job and being consistent and fair in our treatment of all applicants. Our diversity and inclusion outcome pillars:

1. We are connected to liveable, inclusive, sustainable communities  
2. We are diverse   
3. We are inclusive and flexible   
4. We are safe and respectful

DEECA can provide reasonable adjustments for people with a disability. If you need assistance to fully participate in the application or interview process, please use the contact listed under ‘Position Details’.

**Aboriginal Cultural Safety**

Cultural safety of Traditional Owners and Aboriginal Victorians, as an underpinning principle of self-determination, is embedded in everything we do. Under the Aboriginal Cultural Safety Framework DEECA is committed to creating a culturally safe workplace, where there is space for culture to live and for spiritual and belief systems to exist. For further information, please contact [self.determination@deeca.vic.gov.au](mailto:self.determination@deeca.vic.gov.au).

**Balancing your Life / Hybrid Working**

We understand that a balanced life is important to our employees and we offer a wide range of flexible options to help you manage family, health, carer responsibilities, study, career or personal interests. Options may include working some days from home or other suitable locations, starting early or late, working part time, job share or accessing paid or unpaid leave in line with our flexible working policy.

To receive this information in an accessible format (such as large print or audio) please call the Customer Service Centre: 136 186, TTY: 133 677, or email [customer.service@deeca.vic.gov.au](mailto:customer.service@deeca.vic.gov.au)