

**A THRIVING REGION OF OPPORTUNITY WHERE OUR COMMUNITIES  
ENJOY A VIBRANT LIFESTYLE**

### Principal Environmental Planner

<b>Division</b>	Planning	<b>Department</b>	Development Services
<b>Reports To</b>	Specialist Assessment Coordinator	<b>Direct Reports</b>	No

### Position Purpose

This position will provide technical expertise and lead the assessment and lead the assessment of highly complex development matters relating to relating to biodiversity, environmental management and bushfire hazards to meet the needs of the community within the Moreton Bay Regional Council area.

### Key Responsibilities and Outcomes

#### Operational

As a Principal Environmental Planner within the Development Services team you will:

- Act as a technical expert providing advice to Council or its delegate on highly complex development matters relating to biodiversity, environmental management and bushfire hazards.
- Lead the assessment of highly complex development applications in line with legislative, policy and business requirements.
- Provide technical oversight and direction to the team members in relation to environmental planning matters to drive integrated and sustainable planning outcomes
- As Council's delegate, decide development applications in line with legislative, policy and business requirements.
- Lead the review of environmental offsets including the negotiation of environmental offset agreements and the transfer of land for environment purposes.
- Support the development of team capability to drive a high performance, continuous improvement and customer focussed culture.
- Build high level relationships with key internal and external stakeholders to ensure quality services outcomes are achieved.
- Represent Council at a range of forums providing expert knowledge and advice to key stakeholders.

#### Values

At Moreton Bay Regional Council we are on a journey to creating a great culture. Our values shape the way we behave and how we interact with each other to deliver the best service to the community. The safety of you and the community is our number one priority and we are all responsible for creating an inclusive, safe workplace and protecting our environment. As a team member you will take individual accountability for demonstrating the values expectations and behaviours.

## Decision Making

### Budget - Nil

**Delegations** - Delegations under the *Local Government Act 2009* and as directed and published in Council's Delegation Register

## Knowledge & Experience

- Substantial knowledge and experience in the delivery of planning assessment and compliance services.
- Expert knowledge in the principles and practices relating to planning, design, protection and rehabilitation of environmental areas.
- Demonstrated experience providing technical oversight and direction to team members.
- Expert knowledge of the nature conservation, vegetation management and environmental offset legislation in Queensland.
- High level knowledge of the State Planning Policy, the SEQ Regional Plan, the Planning scheme, and the Adopted Infrastructure Charge Resolution.
- Demonstrated experience applying relevant planning and development legislation and policy.
- Excellent communication skills to meet the needs of a range of internal and external stakeholders.
- High level influencing skills and the ability to negotiate complex infrastructure and other commercial agreements.

## Qualifications

- Degree in Environmental Planning or equivalent
- General Induction Licence (White Card)
- Current C class driver's licence.

*This position description reflects a summary of the key accountabilities of the position, it is not intended to be an all-inclusive list of duties, steps and tasks. Leaders may direct employees to perform other duties at their discretion.*