

Role Description

Role Details		
Title	Ranger/Project Lead, Biodiversity	
Manager Title	Supervisor	
Manager Once Removed	Operations Manager	
Group	Regional Operations	
Band	D	
Date	December 2023	
Approved By	Deputy Director-General	

Public Service

Ka mahitahi mātou o te ratonga tūmatanui hei painga mō ngā tāngata o Aotearoa

I āianei, ā, hei ngā rā ki tua hoki, he kawenga tino whaitake tā mātou hei tautoko i te Karauna i runga i āna hononga ki a Ngāi Māori i raro i te Tiriti o Waitangi. Ka tautoko mātou i te kāwanatanga manapori. Ka whakakotahingia mātou e te wairua whakarato ki ō mātou hapori, ā, e arahina ana mātou e ngā mātāpono me ngā tikanga matua o te ratonga tūmatanui i roto i ā mātou mahi.

In the public service we work collectively to make a meaningful difference for New Zealanders now and in the future. We have an important role in supporting the Crown in its relationships with Māori under the Treaty of Waitangi. We support democratic government. We are unified by a spirit of service to our communities and guided by the core principles and values of the public service in our work.

About DOC

The Department of Conservation *Te Papa Atawhai* (DOC) protects and sustains nature for current and future generations. Our purpose is to ensure that Papatūānuku thrives. We do this by:

- Protecting land, species, ecosystems, and cultural heritage for conservation purposes
- Managing threats and adverse impacts
- Being a voice for conservation
- Connecting people to nature

All New Zealanders have a role in keeping nature healthy. We partner with whānau, hapū and iwi and collaborate with commercial partners, NGOs, volunteers, and government agencies to improve conservation outcomes.



Role purpose

The purpose of this role is to lead delivery of large and complex biodiversity initiatives.

Key working relationships

Internal	External
Operations Leadership Team	Whānau, hapū, iwi
Rangers	Partners
Operations planning	Local authorities
Biodiversity Advisors	Conservation associates and NGOs
	Science organisations
	Community groups

General

Employees are required to respond to DOC's changing needs, performing other tasks as reasonably required.

DOC may make reasonable changes to the role in consultation with the role holder.

You are required to maintain a strict sense of personal ethics, maintain confidentiality and privacy, and abide by DOC's Code of Conduct.

Accountabilities

Accountability	This includes
Project Planning	Lead development of detailed work plans to deliver approved biodiversity initiative(s)
	Contribute to development of governance arrangements and planning in collaboration with local and central government, whānau, hapū, iwi, community groups and others
	Work with the Senior Ranger to ensure plans are fit for purpose
	Draw support from cross functional teams including biodiversity technical specialists
	Ensure planning is underpinned by robust technical advice, includes SMART objectives with a framework and delivery plan for monitoring and reporting on progress
	Seek opportunities to integrate, and leverage off other programmes
	Actively identify and manage both opportunities and risks
Delivery	Scope, plan and deliver the work on time, to required standards and within set budget tolerances



Accountability	This includes
	Negotiate, develop and oversee contracts for goods and services related to delivery
	Monitor and coordinate the delivery of plans and gather data to inform reporting
	Lead the work of project team(s) assigned to deliver the initiative
	Ensure achievement of outputs and milestones necessary to achieve plan objectives
	Report on progress against objectives and budget to support financial and non-financial reporting
	Implement risk management processes and manage escalated issues and risks
	Provide technical advice and mentoring to support the-work and skill development of others
Relationship management	Have effective relationships with and work collaboratively alongside whānau, hapū, iwi
	Build and sustain effective stakeholder and customer relationships
	Seek opportunities to leverage off work undertaken by others
	Develop and implement stakeholder engagement plans for complex initiatives
	Resolve any conflicts in a timely and professional manner
	Champion partnerships and relationships to grow conservation in New Zealand
	Working collaboratively with teams across DOC and contributing effectively to cross-functional teams
	Building and maintaining effective relationships with key individuals and groups from relevant sectors and organisations
	Representing DOC and coordinate cross-agency initiatives within area of responsibility
Work management and delivery	Delivering on tasks as set out in work plans, performance expectations, and task assignments
	Identifying critical issues and risks and ensure they are constructively raised and addressed
	Managing knowledge and information to ensure it is secure, current, and appropriate access protocols are applied
	Taking all practical steps to ensure your own safety and the safety of others in the workplace
	Take a proactive approach to managing your own and others' wellbeing



Capability

Capabilities Required		
Specialist skills, knowledge, and qualifications	Significant practical biodiversity conservation experience and expertise	
	A tertiary qualification, or equivalent experience and achievements, in science or natural heritage management	
	Experience in contract management, planning, delivery and reporting of operational projects	
	A focus on driving and maintaining momentum to see deliverables achieved	
	Able to lead and work successfully with others to deliver results	
	Excellent interpersonal and relationship building skills, ability to deliver successfully in collaboration with tangata whenua and a range of partners	
	Skill in working with experts to understand technical advice, and applying and communicating technical information clearly	
	Current full driving licence	
Collaboration, relationship building, communication and interpersonal skills	Interacts productively with a wide range of people	
	Recognises importance of seeking and considering other perspectives	
	Works effectively with peers to solve problems, gains trust easily and provides support	
	Demonstrates and fosters collaboration across teams	
Organisation contribution	Provides considered feedback and input to decision making	
	Identifies and suggests opportunities to do things differently	
	Proactively seeks to understand organisational or wider context of own role	
Delivering results	Plans and organises work to deliver on objectives	
	High personal and professional standards and accuracy	
Treaty Partnership	Understands where the Māori Crown relationship is important to DOC	
	Able to use day-to-day te reo and tikanga at work, e.g. waiata and pepeha	
	Knows to seek advice or support when required	

You are required to comply with the standard operating requirements of DOC, i.e., you must comply with the financial, health and safety, legal, people and other delegations set out in Standard Operating Procedures, policies, and instructions (refer to the Intranet for further information).