



Indigenous Ranger Coordinator

Ngalurrtju ALT, NT

About us

Australian Wildlife Conservancy (AWC) is the largest private (non-profit) owner of land for conservation in Australia, protecting endangered wildlife at 31 sanctuaries in which we own or manage in partnership, covering a total of more than 6.5 million hectares in iconic regions such as the Kimberley, Cape York, the Top End and Kati Thanda-Lake Eyre. With a focus on practical land management, informed by world-class science, AWC is implementing a dynamic new model for conservation.

AWC's mission- to deliver effective conservation for all native animal species and their habitats-is achieved by:

- **Operations-** delivering effective large-scale land management including fire management, feral animal control, weed control and infrastructure management.
- **Science-** delivering a nationally-coherent program of ecological surveys with a focus on monitoring key conservation assets and threats, conducting applied research relevant to wildlife conservation, implementing conservation programs including reintroductions, and providing advice to management.
- **Fundraising-** mobilising finance (primarily, tax deductible donations) from the general public and philanthropists including through effective communication of AWC conservation programs.

The southeast region comprises of seven sanctuaries located across Northern Territory, New South Wales and South Australia. These properties: Newhaven (NT), Scotia (NSW), and Kalamurina, Buckaringa, Dakalanta, Yookamurra, and Western River Refuge (SA), span over 1 million hectares and protect a diversity of threatened species and habitats. Each sanctuary has its own unique requirements for the management of fire, the control of invasive species, the restoration of ecosystems and the management of visitors.

About the role

AWC is developing an exciting new partnership with Traditional Owners of the Ngalurrtju Aboriginal Land Trust. The partnership project aims to deliver effective conservation by applying AWC's approach to conservation alongside strong engagement with Traditional Owners in planning and through direct employment of Indigenous Rangers.

The Indigenous Ranger Coordinator - Ngalurrtju will assist in establishing a small team of Indigenous Rangers to be employed on a casual basis to undertake works in accordance with an approved Conservation Land Management Program. The Indigenous Ranger Coordinator – Ngalurrtju will be responsible for supervising the Indigenous Ranger Team and coordinating their day-to-day activities.

Success in this position will be demonstrated by the development of a functioning team of Indigenous Rangers delivering effective conservation. Effective conservation will be measured by reference to key metrics, which track:

- The populations (or other metrics) of indicator species.
- The extent to which threatening processes are reduced including:
 - reducing occurrence and extent of un-prescribed fires;
 - reducing the density/population of feral animals; and
 - reducing the area of occupancy of invasive weeds.

Engagement with Traditional Owners, other key stakeholders and AWC supporters, including through Supporter Events and contributing to AWC's communications program are also important functions of this role. In this respect, you need to be a strong advocate for AWC's conservation model and achievements.

Key relationships will include:

- Central Land Council.
- Ngalurrjtju Reference Group (Traditional Owner Representatives).
- AWC Indigenous Rangers
- The position reports to the Operations Manager – Ngalurrjtju

Based in Alice Springs, NT, this position is offered on a 12-month full-time contract. This is a unique opportunity to join Australia's largest non-government conservation organisation, and contribute to the future of wildlife conservation in Australia.

About you

- Demonstrated experience across a broad range of natural resource / land management functions
- Good communication and interpersonal skills across a wide range of groups including neighbouring landholders, scientists, traditional owners, volunteers, contractors and visitors is essential.
- Demonstrated capability to work alone or equally able to work as part of a small team.
- A demonstrated ability to organise, co-ordinate, prioritise and execute a number of tasks in an efficient manner.
- Ability to use standard business software packages including Word, Excel, and email.
- Previous experience of, and ability to, work and live in remote areas and a willingness to spend extended periods in the field.
- The ability to improvise and 'problem-solve', developing practical solutions with limited resources.
- Understanding of and interest in Australian ecology and conservation issues.

Closing date for applications: Sunday 8 August 2021

Initial Enquiries:

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Applications via: australianwildlife.org/work-with-awc/careers/

To submit an application, visit our careers page (linked above), select the relevant job vacancy, click '**APPLY**' and complete an application form.

Your application must include CV and covering letter, briefly addressing the critical competencies listed in the detailed job description on our website or the attachment. Applications that do not meet these criteria will not be accepted.

Please note:

1. Applicants must be an Australian citizen/permanent resident or have a suitable visa in place that allows ongoing full-time work in Australia, in order to apply for this position. Sponsorship is not available.
2. If you apply for this role, AWC will include you in its ongoing updates and communications about its events, activities and fundraising initiatives. You may opt out of these communications at any time.
3. Any application submitted to AWC will be handled in accordance with our Privacy Policy, available at www.australianwildlife.org/privacy. By providing us with your contact details, your consent to receive communications and direct educational material will remain current until you advise us otherwise.

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