

# Forest and Fire Operations Officer - Designated Aboriginal Position (18 Positions)

Salary: AWU 2 \$55,396 to \$58,353 + super.

- Opportunity to deliver forest management activities working on Country in Victoria's State forests and national parks
- Contribute to emergency response and planned burning activities
- Various locations available within each region/district across the state

**Change or grow your career as a Forest and Fire Operations Officer. Develop with on the job training, learning about the culture of the place you live.**

A challenging and rewarding opportunity for those that identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander to join our operational teams in delivering forest management in Victoria's state forests and to undertake fire management and fighting activities in Victoria's national parks, state forests and protected public land. DELWP value the knowledge and contribution that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders make on country. DELWP support our aboriginal employees to connect through regional networks, and contribute, learn and achieve as part of our workforce.

Forest and Fire Operations Officers operate within workcentres and are responsible for implementing a wide range of operational tasks and fire prevention activities. The main purpose of these roles is to assist more experienced employees in a broad range of activities in order to learn and understand processes and priorities.

Positions have a strong focus on emergency response and may involve being deployed across the state for periods up to 7-days, for both emergency response and planned burning activities. These activities require a high level of fitness, as the work environment is often steep and remote from vehicles.

## Specialist/Technical Expertise/Qualifications

- Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of Victorian Aboriginal cultures and societies and ability to communicate effectively with Aboriginal people is desired
- Experience working in bushfire response or forest operations is desirable.
- Understanding of application of safe work practices including awareness of regulations and codes of practice and safety documentation systems is desirable.

**Applicants must hold a current manual Drivers Licence (conditions A, I & V not acceptable for employment).**

**These are fixed term positions available for a period of 12 months.**

**Locations available:** There are various locations available across the state. For a full list of position locations and for further information including contact details, please visit [www.careers.vic.gov.au](http://www.careers.vic.gov.au), search the position title and refer to the position description (page 7).

**NOTE:** If you are applying for other advertised Forest and Fire Operations Officer positions, please ensure you submit the required application form attached to each advertisement including location preferences relevant to that position.

**Applications close at midnight on Wednesday, 28 July 2021.**

## Other relevant information:

Preferred candidates will be required to undertake pre-employment screening, including a Declaration and Consent form, a National Police Check and meet the medical and fitness requirements outlined in the position description.

Successful applicants will be required to successfully complete the DELWP General Firefighter accreditation.

These positions have been approved for Australian Aboriginals and/or Torres Strait Islander People. These are designated positions under the 'special measures' section 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010. Only Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply for these positions. Applicants will be required to provide a completed Aboriginality form.

**For further information including the position description, Application Form, confirmation of identity verification form (Aboriginality form) and instructions on how to apply visit [www.careers.vic.gov.au](http://www.careers.vic.gov.au)**