
Victorian Wild Dog Management Advisory Committee

Recruitment for Members

Position Description

Introduction

Wild dogs are estimated to cost of \$13–18 million per year and pose a significant threat to Victoria's livestock industry. Wild dogs affect productivity, animal welfare and the social value of the rural communities in Victoria. The Victorian Government takes the management of wild dogs very seriously and is committed to a concerted, collaborative approach to dealing with the issue.

The Minister for Agriculture is establishing the Victorian Wild Dog Management Advisory Committee (WDMAC) and is seeking outstanding candidates to fill the forthcoming vacancies for the positions of Members of the WDMAC.

What is the Victorian Wild Dog Management Advisory Committee?

The WDMAC is a non-statutory committee tasked to generate and provide expert and strategic advice on matters relating to the management of wild dogs in Victoria, regardless of land tenure.

The Victorian Wild Dog Management Advisory Committee

An open process will be conducted to seek expressions of interest to become a member of WDMAC. Appointment of up to six members (in addition to the chairperson) will be based on the recommendations, provided to the Minister for Agriculture, from a joint selection panel consisting of the WDMAC chairperson, senior officers of the Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources (DEDJTR) and the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning. The Minister will consult with the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change on the appointment of up to two members.

The WDMAC will meet quarterly or as required, to ensure the delivery of the work plan. Members are expected to attend a minimum of 75 per cent of meetings. Meetings will normally be held at the Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources offices in Melbourne.

Vacancy

Applications are sought from outstanding candidates with the capability to provide expert advice on matters that may relate to the management of wild dogs in Victoria. Members will be required to effectively deliver the WDMAC annual work plan.

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Key selection criteria

The Victorian Government is committed to gender equality and is seeking to increase the participation of women on government boards and committees. Suitably qualified women are strongly encouraged to apply.

Prospective candidates must have knowledge and expertise in at least one or more of the following categories:

- a) demonstrated experience and knowledge of wild dog problems and management in the north east region of Victoria
- b) demonstrated experience and knowledge of wild dog problems and management in the Gippsland region of Victoria
- c) demonstrated experience and knowledge of wild dog problems and management in the north west region of Victoria
- d) demonstrated experience and knowledge of social welfare and response issues in wild dog affected regions of Victoria
- e) demonstrated experience and knowledge of dingo conservation and ecology, biodiversity protection and threatened species management in Victoria
- f) demonstrated experience and knowledge of catchment management
- g) demonstrated experience and knowledge of the science of wild dog management in Victoria.

Key selection criteria for the role of Member include:

- i. Previous experience and expertise
- ii. Analytical problem solving
- iii. interpersonal skills
- iv. integrity and honesty
- v. Stakeholder understanding

Remuneration

Members are not entitled to sessional rates if they are a Member of the Legislative Assembly of Victoria or the Legislative Council of Victoria or if they are a Victorian public sector employee and the role is a requirement of their substantive position.

If eligible, Members are entitled to be paid sessional rates fixed by the Minister in accordance with the Victorian Government's [Appointment and Remuneration Guidelines](#) (the Guidelines) for a Group C Band 2 body.

As fixed by the Minister for Agriculture in the Instrument of Appointment, a Member's 'out of pocket' expenses will be paid in accordance with paragraph 7.27 of the Guidelines.

The Member, including if the Member is a Member of Parliament, can only be reimbursed for 'out of pocket' expenses reasonably incurred in fulfilling duties required as a Member.

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WDMAC Member competitive selection process

Following an expression of interest process, shortlisted candidates will be interviewed and recommendations for appointment made to the Minister for Agriculture.

Applicants are advised probity checks are required to be successfully completed before an applicant can be recommended for appointment.

How to apply

Should you wish to apply to be a Member of the WDMAC please complete and provide the following documentation:

- Expression of Interest form; and
- Curriculum Vitae.

Applications are to be submitted via www.getonboard.vic.gov.au. All documents are to be attached as a Microsoft Office Word document.

Alternatively, you may post or deliver these documents in an envelope marked "Private and Confidential" to:

Tracey Marsden
Acting Director Biosecurity Assurance
Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources
Re: Wild Dog Management Advisory Committee
475 Mickleham Road
Attwood VIC 3049

Additional enquiries or assistance with completing the application package, can be directed to: Tracey Marsden on Tel (03) 9217 4316.

Expressions of Interest close at 11:59pm on 18 January 2017.