



POSITION DESCRIPTION

Gippsland New Energy Development Officer

POSITION TITLE:	Gippsland New Energy Development Officer
EMPLOYER:	Gippsland Climate Change Network (GCCN)
REPORTS TO:	CEO of Gippsland Climate Change Network
TENURE:	3 days per week (22.8 hours) until August 30, 2023.
SALARY:	Range \$1082.42 - \$1211.13 per week plus 10.5% superannuation and authorised work expenses
LOCATION:	Need to be able to work remotely and travel to locations around Gippsland as needed. Hot desk site available at Latrobe City and Wellington Shire.

The Gippsland New Energy Development Officer (GNED) will connect, collaborate, and coordinate largescale commercial renewable energy developments across the six local governments within Gippsland to effectively implement joint initiatives, build capacity, strengthen regional partnerships, and create an environment of innovation and delivery typically beyond the reach of individual councils.

The GNED Officer will be responsible for facilitating more efficient information sharing, infrastructure requirements, workforce alignments and community consultation, including the development for place-based appropriate benefit structures between local and state government organisations, renewable energy developers and associated service industries.

This position is funded via the Latrobe Valley Authority and as such it is expected that the GNED Officer will work closely with their appropriate teams to ensure consistent service delivery and to adopt the Gippsland Smart Specialisation way of work.

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The GNED officer will be tasked to promote genuine regional collaboration, leadership and problem-solving by:

1. Prioritising the Gippsland Renewable Energy Zone including offshore wind
2. Meet regularly with the Latrobe Valley Authority (LVA) teams in identifying barriers and pathways for Gippsland renewable energy investment that support a regional transition plan
3. Work closely with the Alliance Officer for the Gippsland Alliance for Climate Action (GACA) and the business units of the Gippsland LGA's to align with their priorities and industry stakeholders.
4. Consider and assist with the recommendations in New Energy skills and workforce reports (NOUS, DET, DELWP, LVA and local councils)
5. Work with Invest Vic and other local government Economic Development Teams to align priorities and businesses to explore the creation of localised supply chain opportunities such as battery cell or wind turbine manufacturing.
6. Support existing platforms (eg Wellington Renewable Energy Forum and the Gippsland New Energy website) to ensure all stakeholders have up to date information have the best information, expand local programs to have a Gippsland-wide focus where available and work with the Gippsland Alliance for Climate Action to promote and support new RE programs.
7. Create regular engagements, information sharing, forums and local government workshops that distribute knowledge, inspire, and encourage an integrated way of working across stakeholders (community, industry, education and government).
8. Support ongoing opportunities arising from the Gippsland New Energy Conference. scheduled in Wellington on August 11th and 12th of 2022 including consideration of future events.
9. To provide support with the development of the Gippsland New Energy website to become a 'one stop shop' of Renewable Energy projects to ensure all stakeholders and the community have the best information on what is happening where and when.
10. Working closely with the Gippsland Alliance for Climate Action Officer to advance regional solutions for climate mitigation and adaption.

Position is classified as a Local Government Award Band 7 which is equivalent to a salary range between \$93,810 to \$104,964 pro rata. Position is 0.6 FTE which is equivalent to 22.8 hours per week, or a salary range from \$1082.42 - \$1211.13 per week.

The position is funded till August 30th, 2023 but may be extended with mutual agreement should the funding be continued.

Key Selection Criteria

Essential Qualifications:

- A Bachelor's Degree in this or a related field and or extensive relevant work experience in the fields of new energy development. Experience or knowledge of social planning skills, environmental management and community engagement would be an advantage.

Essential experience:

- Demonstrated experience in working on new energy developments such as onshore and offshore wind and large scale solar. Some understanding of biomass or geothermal processes.
- An understanding of the social impacts of renewable development and how to bring the community along.
- Understand business cases and project scopes for large scale renewable developments and the relevant procurement and workforce implications.
- Demonstrated experience in developing and maintaining relationships with internal and external stakeholders.

Desirable experience:

- Experience in local government or knowledge of local government processes.
- Knowledge of potential opportunities for funding of renewable energy and sustainability projects and the ability to apply for these where relevant.
- Understanding of state and federal government energy and climate policies, regulation and regulatory authorities eg AEMO, VicGrid. Overview of planning procedures of state and local government.
- Awareness of Australian and global private RE investors

Prerequisites

- Valid driver's license in the state of Victoria
- Home Office including computer and phone. (Approved, work related expenses will be reimbursed.)
- Access to a personal vehicle for work-related travel. (Approved, work-related travel will be reimbursed) Applicants will be preferred to reside within the region or be willing to move to the region for the role.

How To Apply

- Please attach your resume along with responses to the key selection criteria and a cover letter detailing your experience and how it relates to the role and send to the CEO of the Gippsland Climate Change Network at darren.mccubbin@gccn.org.au
- For further information please contact Darren McCubbin on 0419 587 572 or at darren.mccubbin@gccn.org.au
- Gippsland Climate Change Network prides itself on being an equal opportunity employer. As a not-for-profit, we are committed to:
 - Providing a diverse and inclusive workplace that values the safety and wellbeing of children and young people, as well as all our employees.
 - Receiving applications from people of all diverse abilities, skills, languages, cultures and backgrounds including people with disability, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and LGBTIQ and gender diverse people.
 - Reconciliation and supporting the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander aspirations.

Applications must be submitted before Close of Business on **Wednesday August 24th**.