
Position Description

LAND ACCESS AND STATUTORY APPROVALS SPECIALIST

BUSINESS UNIT:	Infrastructure Development Group
REPORTS TO:	Associate Director - Infrastructure
MANAGEMENT:	Direct reports: 0
LOCATION/S:	Sydney (preferred), other locations may be considered
POSITION TYPE	Permanent full-time

About AARNet

Australia's Academic and Research Network (AARNet) was established in 1989 and is widely regarded as the founder of the Internet in Australia and renowned as the architect, builder and operator of world-class network infrastructure for research and education.

We are Australia's National Research and Education Network (NREN). We connect over one million users—researchers, faculty, staff and students—at institutions across Australia, supporting education and research across a diverse range of disciplines including high energy physics, climate science, genomics, radio astronomy and the arts.

Nationally, AARNet interconnects Australian universities, the CSIRO, and other organisations who have a research and education mission, or with whom the education and research sector interacts. These include hospitals, vocational training providers, schools and museums. Internationally, AARNet interconnects the Australian Research and Education (R & E) community to the world – and continuously develops new capabilities and partnerships to facilitate seamless data access and transfer.

AARNet also offers a suite of supporting applications to our customers. These include network and collaboration services such as CloudStor and Zoom, that enable innovation in the delivery of research and education.

We are an organisation of innovators, doers, and courageous thinkers. We are not constrained by traditional products and solutions and we constantly strive to build the solutions that our customers will need tomorrow – today. If you have the imagination, foresight and drive to build the future why not come and join us?

The Role

AARNet is seeking a Land Access & Statutory Approvals Specialist with experience in the telecommunications sector, to support its growing number of optical fibre construction projects.

The role would suit someone who enjoys travelling regionally and interstate, with a demonstrated ability to negotiate

with private landholders, utilities and government agencies.

Responsibilities

Key Responsibilities will include:

- Co-ordinating and conducting land access and negotiations for AARNET projects, including liaising and negotiating with private land owners, corporations, local councils and utilities; and
- Resolving issues and objections relating to fibre optic cable construction projects.

Expertise, experience & qualifications

Essential:

- Land Access experience, including negotiating with private land owners, corporations, utilities and government agencies
- Experience working on telecommunications projects and obtaining statutory approvals relating to telecommunications construction activities
- Experience with designing fibre optic cable routes
- Understanding of the fibre optic cable construction planning processes, requirements and issues
- Understanding of Environmental Planning & Assessment Act and Development Application (DA) processes
- Working knowledge of the Telecommunications Act 1997 especially regarding the installation of facilities
- Familiarity with the Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999

Desirable:

- Town/Urban Planning, Environmental Science or related qualification
- Project management experience
- Extensive experience working with CAD and GIS systems

Important skills

- Strong interpersonal skills and negotiation skills
- Strong written communication skills including report writing and documentation
- Strong problem solving skills
- Ability to build and maintain relationships with internal project staff and external stakeholders
- Willingness to travel regionally and interstate regularly

Conditions of employment

AARNET is committed to diversity and providing equal opportunity to all. We're a great place to work if you want to make a difference. Remuneration will be based on skills and experience and will include an above market superannuation package.

How to apply

Applications, including a resume/CV and cover letter addressing the requirements of this role, should be sent by e-mail to employment@aarnet.edu.au. Closing date for applications: 18th July 2019