**JOB DESCRIPTION**

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<td>Senior Plant Pathologist</td>
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<td>Full Time</td>
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<td>92190155</td>
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<td>Contact</td>
<td>Dr Lucy Tran on 08 8999 2235 or <a href="mailto:lucy.tran-nguyen@nt.gov.au">lucy.tran-nguyen@nt.gov.au</a></td>
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<td>Information for Applicants</td>
<td>Applications must be limited to a one-page summary sheet and an attached detailed resume/cv. For further information for applicants and example applications: click here</td>
<td>Information about Selected Applicant’s Merit</td>
<td>If you accept this position, a detailed summary of your merit (including work history, experience, qualifications, skills, information from referees, etc.) will be provided to other applicants, to ensure transparency and better understanding of the reasons for the decision. For further information: click here</td>
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<td>Special Measures</td>
<td>The NTPS values diversity and aims for a workforce which is representative of the community we serve. Therefore under an approved Special Measures recruitment plan, ATSI applicants will be given priority consideration and preference in selection for this vacancy if they meet all essential selection criteria and are suitable at the position level. For further information: click here</td>
<td>Apply Online Link</td>
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**Primary Objective:**
To advise, plan, conduct and manage plant biosecurity research, and develop projects to improve the productivity and sustainability of plant industries in the Northern Territory (NT) with a primary focus on tropical crops in line with the Department of Primary Industry and Resources (DPIR) Strategic Plan. To be considered for this position you must be able to travel to regional areas and work outside normal business hours to support emergency management activities.

**Key Duties and Responsibilities:**
1. Participate in the provision of a plant disease diagnostic service for the NT and other states as required.
2. Identify, formulate, implement and manage innovative Research, Development & Extension (RD&E) projects to minimise the impact of diseases in plant industries and contribute to the development of sustainable production systems with a biosecurity focus.
3. Ensure information generated through RD&E activities is communicated to clients and stakeholders through effective capacity building services.
4. Perform the duties of an inspector under the Plant Health Act 2008.
5. Provide advice on plant biosecurity issues to the NT Chief Plant Health Officer.
6. Effectively manage human, financial and technical resources.
7. Support emergency incidents and events, including pest and disease responses in the NT.

**Selection Criteria**

**Essential:**
1. Tertiary degree in agricultural science, science or equivalent.
2. Demonstrated experience and knowledge of disease management strategies and disease diagnostics which can be applied to tropical horticulture.
3. Demonstrated ability to develop and manage innovative RD&E projects that advance the economic and sustainable development of plant industries.
4. Ability to work harmoniously with other staff and clients to ensure project activities and outcomes are aligned with the needs of the relevant industries.
5. Excellent written and oral communication skills, including demonstrated experience in achieving positive outcomes through stakeholder engagement.
6. Ability to work autonomously with limited supervision.
7. A current Australian drivers licence, class “C” or above.

**Desirable:**
1. Post-graduate qualifications and/or experience in plant pathology and diagnostics would be highly regarded.
2. Well-developed knowledge of plant health and pest and disease incursions at the local, national and international levels.

Approved: 19 December 2019
Sarah Corcoran
Executive Director, Biosecurity & Animal Welfare
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