Development Officer (Mosaic Agriculture) Grains and Livestock Industries

Position: 20155014 Salary: Specified Callings Level 1-4 \$65,165 - \$130,636 pa PSGOGA Location: Broome Tenure: FTC 30 June 2018

We are looking for a Development Officer to join our small dedicated team. This is your opportunity to provide high level industry support for the expansion of mosaic agriculture across the Kimberley and Pilbara, with a focus on developing economic models to establish the cost and benefits mosaic agriculture development to better inform future investment.

This position will be working on the Northern Beef Futures project funded by Royalties and Regions which aims to expand markets for the northern beef industry of Western Australia.

In this role you will work closely with pastoralists and other sectors of the northern beef industry to develop an effective economic framework for assessing the value of irrigated forage production, which is critical at a time when new beef supply chains and markets are being developed. The successful applicant will have the ability to clearly communicate this technology to influence and improve decision making.

Key responsibilities include:

- investigating and documenting how mosaic agriculture can be integrated into northern beef
 production systems and how fodder and pasture production can contribute to assisting beef
 producers to better meet current and future market specifications
- utilising economic models to analyse the value proposition of mosaic agriculture development in the northern rangelands
- assisting pastoralists in preparing development proposals for mosaic agriculture
- supporting field trials to assess the agronomic potential and weed risks of a range of pasture and crop options when grown under irrigation
- undertake a range of communication and extension activities for industry as required.

The successful applicant will have the demonstrated ability to carry out scientific research and development activities relevant to Mosaic Agricultural development; demonstrated high level workplace communication skills; and the demonstrated ability to achieve innovation and change.

Benefits of working for DAFWA: In addition to the salary offered, other benefits include superannuation, leave loading and access to salary packaging arrangements. Our department is a progressive and innovative agency that offers family-friendly flexible working conditions and where personal and professional development is continuously promoted.

Take advantage of this opportunity to work for a department that is committed to achieving a progressive, innovative and profitable agriculture and food sector that benefits Western Australia.

Level Ranges: This position would suit someone at a broadly recognised professional level. The level of appointment upon commencement will depend on qualifications, skills and/or experience.

Specified Calling Level 1 \$65,165 - \$89,345 pa (Professional level with or without experience) Specified Calling Level 2 \$91,548 - \$101,179 pa (Experienced professional level) Specified Calling Level 3 \$106,533 - \$117,969 pa (Broadly recognised professional level) Specified Calling Level 4 \$121,885 - \$130,636 pa (Nationally recognised professional level)

Tenure: Fixed term opportunity until 30 June 2018. Consideration may then be given to offering a further term(s) or permanent appointment, subject to conditions.

Location: Broome. The town of Broome is a popular tourist destination at the western gateway of the Kimberley region and is located 2,200km north of Perth. The vibrant landscapes and Cable Beach are just some of Broome's many attractions. For more information please visit the <u>Tourism WA</u> website.

Application Package: A Job Description Form and other relevant information are available from <u>www.jobs.wa.gov.au</u>. Here you can find the advertisement by searching the position number or job title in the keywords box. Once you have viewed the advertisement in full, and the relevant attachments, you are encouraged to apply online by clicking "Apply for Job" at the bottom of that advertisement.

To apply for this position, you need to send us:

- A detailed and current resume.
- A covering letter/statement that demonstrates how your skills and experience relate to the work related requirements of this position as outlined in the JDF.

Applicants who do not provide the above mentioned documents may not be considered competitive for further assessment.

Suitable applicants, not recommended for the advertised position, may be considered for fixed term or permanent employment opportunities in like positions and like locations during the next 12 months.

If you are having any trouble applying online or downloading the attachments please telephone (08) 9368 3338 or email <u>recruitment@agric.wa.gov.au</u> before the closing date and time.

General Information about the Department of Agriculture and Food is available from our website at <u>www.agric.wa.gov.au</u>

Late or pro forma applications will not be accepted.

Closing Date: 5.00pm Tuesday 1 May 2017.