

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Senior Environmental Consultant

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Expertise

- Providing specialist advice on environment, planning and regulatory requirements
- Providing effective input to construction and operational projects
- Managing environmental assessments
- Reviewing high complex projects, designs and environmental management plans
- Providing specialist technical input on projects ensuring compliance with legislative requirements.

Qualifications

- Bachelor of Science, University of Technology Sydney
- Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment – Associate Member Exams, IEMA, UK

PROFILE

Jessica is an environmental consultant with over 15 years' experience in the environmental industry, specialising in providing expert advice on environment, planning and regulatory requirements, and providing effective input to construction and operational projects, both in Australia and internationally. She has experience in managing environmental assessments, providing reviews on high complex projects, reviewing designs, developing environmental management plans, providing specialist technical input on projects, ensuring compliance with legislative requirements and delivery of approvals within project timeframes.

Jessica is skilled in facilitating environmental risk minimisation by working with and influencing project teams in identification and effective management of environmental issues. She has the proven ability to facilitate the development of positive and productive relationships between clients, contractors, government agencies, regulatory authorities and stakeholders, and has a strong knowledge and understanding of the NSW and federal environmental regulatory framework.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND CERTIFICATIONS

- SEEC Consulting – Course on Erosion and sediment Control (Blue Book)
- WorkCover NSW, Occupational Health and Safety Construction Induction Certificate (White Card)

RELEVANT PROJECT EXPERIENCE

WolfPeak Environment and Heritage, Sydney

Senior Environmental Consultant

2017 – Present

Senior Environmental Consultant | Department of Planning (DoP)

- Reviewing, documenting and providing technical input into the implementation of the bilateral agreement on biodiversity offsets and developing guidance notes to assist users.
- Reviewing and standardising assessment reports for Environmental Impact Statements.
- Providing review and comment on project management plans for various significant infrastructure projects for NSW against project conditions of consent.

Development of Environmental Management System and Associated Training Material | Port Authority of NSW

- Reviewing, documenting and creating a Gap Analysis for the Port Authority of NSW in developing an Environmental Management System.
- Liaising with Port Authority staff to draft and finalise an EMS.
- Developing technical input for online environment training modules.

Transport for NSW, Sydney

Senior Manager Environment

2009 – 2017

Senior Manager Environment | Infrastructure and Services Divisions

- Managed a team of environmental and planning specialists and service providers.
- Implemented environment and sustainability principles across all projects and resolved complex environmental issues.
- Participated in peer reviews on high level complex projects, provided input to defining environmental measures for KRI, KPA and incentive schemes.
- Reported regularly to Project Directors on project performance under the incentive schemes.
- Managed the performance of Environmental Management Representatives across multiple programs of work.
- Reviewed reports and assessment documents and provide specialist technical input ensuring compliance with legislative requirements and delivery of approvals within project timeframes.
- Facilitated environmental risk minimisation by working with and influencing project teams in identification and effective management of environmental issues.

- Ensured environmental requirements in contracts adhere to NSW government procurement guidelines and address the requirements of the Environmental Management System.

Aurecon, Brisbane & Sydney

Senior Environmental Scientist

2008 – 2009

Environmental Scientist | Various Projects

- Manager for Environmental Approvals for the Wiggins Island Coal Terminal Project, Gladstone Ports Corporation. Managed the environmental approvals and licences required for the project at a local, state and federal level in line with the project schedule. Included obtaining tidal works (reclamation), marine plants, dredge management approvals, material change of use applications and other associated environment and planning requirements.
- Project Lead for the Gladstone LNG Stage 1 Dredging Approvals, Gladstone LNG Pty Ltd. Managed the development of a Dredge Environmental Management Plan, managed specialist input (sediment analysis, hydrodynamic modelling, and ecological assessment), liaised with the QLD Department Environment Resource Management, Gladstone Ports Corporation and other referral agencies to coordinate a final development approval for this Project.
- Environment and Planning Manager secondment, Transport Construction Authority (now Transport for NSW). Provided specialist advice on environment, planning and regulatory requirements for the Glenfield Transport Interchange Project and supported the Senior Manager Environment.

Transport Infrastructure Development Corporation, Sydney

Environment and Planning Manager

2007 – 2008

Environment and Planning Manager | Various Projects

- Provided specialist advice on environment, planning and regulatory requirements.
- Identified environmental approvals and licences required for projects and managed the processes for obtaining these in line with project programs.
- Served as a principal point of contact for government agencies and licensing approval matters.
- Facilitated the development of positive and productive relationships between TIDC, regulatory agencies, principal contractors and stakeholders.
- Performed minimum weekly site compliance inspections in consultation with Project Environmental Management Representatives.
- Ensured the implementation of TIDC's Construction Noise Strategy across several TIDC Projects.
- Provided advice and assistance to the TIDC Team, Senior Managers and contractors, to understand manage and comply with environment and planning regulatory requirements.

- Developed variations to TIDC's Environment Protection Licence including representing the organisation in ongoing regulatory meetings.
- Liaised with specialist consultants during the preparation of environmental assessments to ensure that projects satisfied the requirements of Part 5 and Part 3A (as applicable) of the Environment Planning and Assessment Act 1979.
- Prepared reports, ministerial correspondence and other issue papers as required.
- Engaged and managed professional services contractors, including the preparation and evaluation of tender documentation.

Laing O'Rourke, Brisbane & Sydney

Environmental Manager

2006 – 2007

Environmental Manager | Various Projects including: Dalrymple Bay Rail Triplication Project & Hornsby Platform 5 and Stabling Project

- Served as a principal point of contact between the project and the client on environment, planning and licensing approval matters.
- Provided specialist advice on environment, planning and regulatory requirements within the project team.
- Developed and implemented environmental documentation including the project Environmental Management Plan, associated sub-plans and planning approval variations.
- Identified the environmental approvals and licences required for the projects and manage the processes for obtaining these in line with project programs.
- Undertook regular site inspections to ensure regulatory compliance.
- Conduct Internal and external reporting.

Atkins, London

Senior Environment Advisor

2004 – 2006

Senior Environment Advisor | Trans4m / Metronet Alliance – London Underground

- Responsible for the implementation of the business's Environmental Management System 14001, to deliver legal, contractual and best practice requirements and in its continuous improvement.
- Managed the processes to obtain statutory consents and agreements from regulatory authorities (Local Authorities, Environment Agency) to allow all projects to meet the delivery programme e.g. s61 Noise Consents, Planning & Heritage Consents.
- Represented the Alliance in discussions and negotiations with regulators (>30 Local Councils), NGO's, Environment Agency, local community groups and residents to promote projects.
- Conducted provision of specialist environmental and planning advice across the Alliance.
- Undertook the Assessment of Significant Environmental Issues for each work package.

- Managed a large proportion of the businesses corporate and internal responsibilities, including maintenance of the company 14001 accreditation and staff supervision.
- Managed of specialist consultants and interface with the client.

Mowlem Railways, UK

Environmental Engineer

2003 – 2004

Environmental Engineer | Channel Tunnel Rail Link Project

- Reviewed and implemented environmental documentation including the project Environmental Management Plan and associated procedures.
- Negotiated approvals from government departments i.e. Environment Agency, Local Authorities.
- Ensured compliance with both the legal and contractual requirements of the project.
- Undertook noise calculations and predictions to enable variations of work to be sought from government departments.
- Undertook regular site inspections.
- Co-ordinated and managed specialist consultants.
- Worked with the Construction Manager, Community Relations Co-ordinator and Project Engineers to co-ordinate a successful project.

NSW Rail Infrastructure Corporation, Parramatta

Environmental Manager

2002 – 2003

Environmental Manager | Various Projects

- Developed and implemented environmental documentation including the project Environmental Management Plan and associated sub-plans.
- Negotiated approvals and liaised with government departments i.e. Environment Protection Authority, Planning NSW, Local Councils.
- Ensured compliance with both the legal and contractual requirements of the project.
- Undertook regular site inspections.
- Coordinated and managed specialist consultants.
- Worked with the Construction Manager, Community Relations Coordinator and Project Engineers to coordinate a successful project.
- Managed the processes of obtaining the Environmental Protection Licence, required to allow RailCorp to commence the project.

Flour Australia, NSW

Senior Environment Officer

2001

Senior Environment Officer | East Hills Amplification Project

- Developed an Operational Environmental Management Plan.
- Managed contractors with respect to the environmental requirements of the project.
- Coordinated and managed environmental consultants.
- Liaised with relevant local and state government departments.
- Provided advice to the project Construction Manager on environmental and planning requirements.