

Victorian Committee of Management Ordinary Member

Who we are

The Wilderness Society (TWS Ltd.) is a not-for-profit, member-based conservation and environmental advocacy organisation with an extensive National supporter base. Established in 1976, we have been at the forefront of Australia's most historic environmental campaigns, including the Franklin River, Fraser Island, Wild Rivers, Marine Parks, Tasmanian forests, numerous World Heritage areas and James Price Point in the Kimberley.

The Wilderness Society supports Indigenous people's land and sea rights, and is committed to working with traditional and historical owners before and during campaigns to protect wilderness and nature.

The Wilderness Society Victoria Inc. (TWS Vic) is a member of the TWS Ltd federation - a co-operative forum for all TWS organisations.

TWS Vic campaigns to protect wild and natural areas across the state and is a key advocate for biodiversity protection in Victoria. Central to this is a long running campaign to protect Victoria's native forests, under threat from logging and the implications of climate change. This campaign is part of TWS's national forest campaign agenda which seeks to protect all of Australia's high conservation value native forests. TWS Vic works collaboratively with other regional, state and national environmental organisations to deliver forest protection in Victoria.

Our Purpose

Protecting, promoting and restoring wilderness and natural processes across Australia for the survival and ongoing evolution of life on Earth.

Our Values

1. Passion for our purpose (above);
2. The power for people to bring about change;
3. Organisational independence;
4. Commitment to success in protecting the environment;
5. Compassion.

TWS is an equal opportunity employer that embraces principles of non-violence and consensus decision-making.

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Employer	The Wilderness Society Victoria, Inc.	Department	Committee of Management
Location	Melbourne	Role	Ordinary Member
Salary	Volunteer - Unpaid	Term	Annual nominations at Nov AGM
Hours	Approx 8-10 per month Largely out of hours	Direct Reports	Victorian Campaigns Manager
Budget	\$500-\$600K per annum		

The Role

Responsible for the overall governance, financial stability, strategic direction and management oversight of the organisation in accordance with the organisation's goals and objectives, Rules of Association, and legal and regulatory requirements.

Primary Tasks and Responsibilities

- Attend Committee of Management meetings and annual strategic planning sessions
- Ensure that papers are read prior to monthly meetings with an understanding of financial reports
- Contribute to the setting and management of organisational policies and procedures, risk management frameworks and strategic and operational plans
- Provide strategic advice and guidance on strategic and operational matters as required
- Participate in Committee's decision making processes
- Participate in subcommittees and other processes as required

Essential Selection Criteria

- Strong commitment to TWS Vic's purpose, culture and values
- Excellent business and financial acumen
- Good written and verbal communication skills
- Capacity to foster and support an inclusive and democratic approach to discussions and debate
- High level abilities to problem-solve, resolve conflicts and disputes, and be outcomes and solution-focused
- Good understanding of the organisation's structures, processes, activities, and directions
- Ability to dedicate regular time to TWS Vic responsibilities
- Understanding of the roles and expectations of the TWSV Committee of Management

Desirable Selection Criteria

- Capacity to establish and maintain productive working relationships with a wide variety of people
- Understanding of non-government (environment) organisations and the NGO sector
- Organisational development and governance experience

Accountabilities

- Legal and constitutional requirements under incorporated association legislation
- Financial accountability requirements
- Member and supporter accountability at AGMs.