



**MANAGER, OPERATIONS AND INVESTMENTS, AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND (Based in Tauranga New Zealand)**

New Forests is a real assets investment manager offering leading edge strategies in forestry, land management, and conservation. Our business mission is to manage sustainable landscapes for production and conservation and to generate shared value for our clients and the communities where we operate. Founded in 2005, we offer institutional investors dedicated investment strategies in the United States, Australia-New Zealand, and Southeast Asia and have almost AUD 5 billion in assets under management. Our assets include sustainable timber plantations, rural land, infrastructure, and conservation investments related to ecosystem restoration and protection. New Forests has a track record of excellent returns and has a pool of long-term, blue-chip institutional clients from around the world. New Forests is headquartered in Sydney, Australia, with offices in San Francisco, Singapore, New Zealand and Melbourne.

New Forests is offering a great opportunity for a qualified candidate to undertake the role of Manager, Operations and Investments (Australia and New Zealand) supporting the ANZ Operations and Investments teams. This New Zealand based role is focussed on overseeing property management of existing assets to maximise fund financial returns, and, supporting the identification and acquisition of new fund assets, across the North and South Island.

The position will report to the Director Operations, ANZFF2 and ANZFF3 and will be based in our Tauranga office, New Zealand. When undertaking investments activities, the position will take direction from the Director, Investments ANZ.

**Key responsibilities will include:**

- Leading and/or supporting operational management of nominated forest and infrastructure assets and/or projects within New Forests' Australian and New Zealand portfolio, with a focus on New Zealand, including coordination of:
  - procurement and supervision of third-party providers such as property managers, consultants, tree crop insurance and valuations services.
  - annual strategic plans, budgets and third-party valuations,
  - monthly payment review and approval,
  - major asset level strategic projects and commercial negotiations,
  - stakeholder engagement (including neighbours, media, government and industry),
  - internal and external reporting (monthly/quarterly/annual).
- Leading and/or supporting asset identification, acquisition and disposition for New Forests' Australian and New Zealand portfolio, with a focus on New Zealand, including:
  - operational, environmental, legal and financial due diligence,
  - input into financial and forest model assumptions, and

- assisting with and/or preparing investment papers for consideration by the Investment Committee (subject to level of experience).
- Liaising internally with New Forests ANZ and corporate teams to share operational information and intelligence and contribute to information needs and projects across the business.
- Contributing to corporate governance, sustainability and responsible investment projects and activities across the New Forests business.

We are looking for candidates with the following qualifications/experience:

- Relevant degree/qualifications (BSc Forestry, Forest Engineering or Environmental Science)
- Experience and understanding of: plantation forestry commercial operations; science and estate modelling (Tigermoth and/or Woodstock)
- Strong commercial skills including negotiation, financial analysis and formation and interpretation of legal agreements.
- Good Microsoft Office skills including Outlook, Word, Excel
- Excellent time management and organisational skills with the ability to prioritise effectively
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- An ability to work independently and take ownership of role, whilst supporting the wider team
- Ability to adapt to change quickly and effectively.
- Comfortable working, and maintaining effective communications, in a variety of environments and with different levels of people
- Multi-task focus, with a capability to ensure the completion of a number of competing tasks and objectives
- Ability to build strong relationships and support a cohesive team environment
- A strong interest in sustainability and environmental issues.

#### **What can we offer?**

Our environment is busy and supportive, and the team is professional but relaxed. If you join us you would be joining a growing, fast paced business which is an environmental & sustainable leader in forestry investment. You will also be working with professionals who are passionate about their work!

#### **To Apply**

Please apply by sending a cover letter and resume explaining your interest in and qualifications for the position, in PDF format to [careers@newforests.com.au](mailto:careers@newforests.com.au)

Applications for this role will close on 7 June 2019.

Phone calls will not be accepted

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