



## Senior Fund Accountant/ Fund Accounting Manager

**Location:** Sydney, Australia

**Reporting to:** Associate Director, Finance

New Forests ([www.newforests.com.au](http://www.newforests.com.au)) seeks a qualified candidate for the newly created position of Fund Accountant. As part of our Finance team, you will be primarily responsible for managing all fund related accounting and assisting with client reporting. This is a hands-on role, ideal for a professional looking for an exciting challenge.

New Forests is an investment management business offering leading edge strategies in forestry, land management, and conservation. We seek 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 Australia-New Zealand, the United States, and Southeast Asia and have more than AUD 6 billion in assets under management. We manage sustainable forestry assets, forest carbon projects, rural land, and timber processing infrastructure. New Forests is headquartered in Sydney with offices in San Francisco, Singapore, New Zealand, and Melbourne.

### In this role you will be responsible for:

- Monthly, quarterly and annual fund reporting for the ANZ and Asian businesses
- Annual financial statement preparation and management of the audit process
- Managing all month-end processes, treasury and tax for various fund entities
- Calculating quarterly distributions from sub-trusts and dividends from companies to head trusts and investors
- Preparation of quarterly distribution statements and monthly investor statements
- Assisting with performance and return data reporting (quarterly and annually for alternative assets)
- Managing relationships and reporting to external investors
- Liaising with external property managers to ensure asset level reporting is complete and accurate
- Completing ad-hoc financial analysis for both internal and external clients
- Liaising with our Investor Services team to complete client reports
- Assisting the Associate Director, Finance, with financial analysis and special projects
- Evaluating, improving and streamlining reporting processes
- Contributing to the Data warehouse project and Enterprise Management System implementation project

### We are seeking candidates with the following qualifications, experience and strengths:

- Undergraduate and/ or postgraduate degree in Accounting/Business or Finance
- Qualified CA or CPA (ideally with public practice experience)
- 5+ years' experience with private equity or real assets experience, preferred
- An understanding of trust distributions and taxation

- Thorough understanding of Australian Accounting Standards
- Exposure to institutional clients
- Demonstration of process improvement/re-engineering experience to improve efficiency and effectiveness
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Superior attention to detail
- A team player, with strong stakeholder management skills
- Self-motivated and proactive with the ability to work independently, whilst thriving in a team environment, working towards a common goal
- Planning mindset complimented by organization, prioritisation and documentation skills
- Advanced Excel skills
- Interest in/knowledge of sustainability and impact investing, well regarded
- Able to demonstrate core finance team capabilities
  - Client Focus
  - Cultivates Innovation
  - Collaborates

#### **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 and sustainable leader in forestry investment. You will also be working with professionals who are passionate about their work!

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

Phone calls will not be accepted.

New Forests is an Equal Opportunity Employer that values diversity and inclusion. We offer flexible working arrangements to all employees to support their work/life balance. We are also a Certified B Corp.