

Taronga Western Plains Zoo Director

- Unique leadership opportunity
- Globally recognised and highly awarded destination

Taronga Western Plains Zoo (TWPZ) is part of the Taronga Conservation Society Australia (Taronga) which has a clear vision to 'secure a shared future for wildlife and people'. Taronga is a leader in the fields of conservation, research and environmental education and operates Taronga Zoo in Sydney and Taronga Western Plains Zoo in Dubbo.

Taronga Western Plains Zoo is NSW largest, most visited paid regional tourism attraction and has been achieving excellent growth. A multiple state and national award winner, it now attracts over 250,000 visitors annually including around 40,000 visitor nights within the three, unique nature based accommodation properties situated within the operation. TWPZ is set on 788 hectares and employs over 200 people, with an operating budget of approximately \$18 million and a \$50 million capital expenditure program in progress.

The Director, Taronga Western Plains Zoo provides strategic and operational leadership at Taronga Western Plains Zoo (TWPZ) and represents Taronga regionally to achieve strategic business objectives. The role reports to Taronga's Executive Director and Chief Executive and is also a member of Taronga's Executive Team.

The role's key accountabilities include: delivering transformational guest experiences; ensuring that the operations contribute to Taronga's financial sustainability; working with Taronga's Capital Project team to deliver an exciting capital program; leading a best practice safety culture; and, engagement with the community and a range of stakeholders including government.

We are seeking candidates with senior management experience and achievement in a prominent tourist attraction or public venue and commercial business. It is essential that you are an effective and visible leader, who successfully engages with the community and stakeholders to achieve an organisation's vision.

This is a rare career opportunity to manage a significant and complex business unit, whilst contributing to the strategic direction and management of a large and uniquely diverse group.

For more information or to apply online, go to; <https://taronga.org.au/content/director-taronga-western-plains-zoo>

Applications close: 6th August 2017.