

Job Title: River Management Analyst
Work Unit: Catchment Operations Group

Responsible to: Team Leader Investigations and Design

Position purpose:

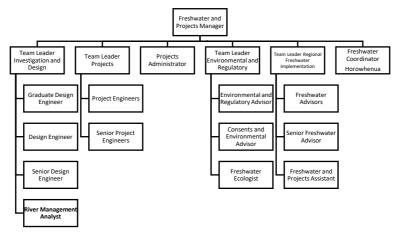
- This position will provide geospatial (GIS) analysis and data support to our Freshwater and Projects and wider Catchment Operations Group to help inform conversations and decisions on the development of future river management lines, complete gravel studies, Natural Character Index assessments, and options for revised rating regimes.
- Working across all the regions rivers contributing towards scheme reviews, developing options
 future river management lines, while working towards continuous improvement and efficiency
 gains in the management of our rivers. This work will ultimately allow for more financially and
 environmentally sustainable river management programmes and practices that provide vital
 flood protection to our community.
- Assist with overall Catchment Operations asset management, GIS and information management activity including the development of improvements to these processes.

There is an expectation that you will actively uphold the values of Te Tiriti O Waitangi (Treaty of Waitangi) and be aware of the cultural significance of the regions' waterways to local iwi, hapū, whānau and tangata whenua corporations (especially when working within the awa of our region).

Salary: \$76,674 (85%) – \$90,205 (100%) indicative pay range

Date: August 2025

ORGANISATIONAL CONTEXT





FUNCTIONAL RELATIONSHIPS

EXTERNAL	INTERNAL
 Contractors and Consultants Central Government/ Local Authorities/Territorial Authorities Special Interest Groups River Management Scheme committees General Public 	 Freshwater and Projects team River Management Operations team Catchment Operations group information staff Catchment Operations Group Manager Corporate Services Group staff Strategy, Regulation, and Science Group Science team Information Management Team (IM) and IT team
	Other Horizons staff

KEY RESULT AREAS

JOBHOLDER IS ACCOUNTABLE FOR	JOBHOLDER IS SUCCESSFUL WHEN	
Technical		
 Gathering, and analysing previous and current river lines, according to standard operating procedures with a focus to ensuring accurate and complete data. Using previous and current river lines to develop potential future management lines. Develop and maintain standardised data operating procedures. Analysing cross section data, DEM, and aerial information captured for gravel studies. Using ArcGIS (ESRI) and other software products including Asset Management Information System (AMIS) to manage geospatial and time series data; ensuring databases contain the agreed information. Undertake data validation, quality assurance archiving and audit activities. Training, and coordinating with, field staff to improve data management and reporting. Completion of Natural Character Index Assessments. Provide technical support and technical solutions to staff, Executive and contractors as requested. Contributing to the development and continuous improvement of data management within Horizons. Initiate and lead continuous system and reporting improvements relating to asset management processes. 	 Data management is undertaken in a timely and accurate manner to maintain up to date, accurate and complete datasets to inform reporting. Operating procedures are developed in a timely manner, are accurate and maintained. Analysis contributes to improved river management practices (financially and environmentally). Provide timely authoritative advice for requests as required. Technical support and solutions are based on sound technical knowledge. Appropriate reports are received in a timely manner to agreed standards. Field staff improve their reporting capability. More filed recorded data arrives without need for rework. Continuous improvement options are identified and actioned where appropriate. Data is managed as an organisational asset in accordance with best practice and legislative requirements. Improvement options contribute to increased accuracy and efficiency. 	
Reporting		
 Motivate and influence staff to proactively provide information to inform reporting. 	 Data is entered in a timely manner and meets organisational reporting 	

requirements.

Provide and contribute to regular and ad-

hoc technical reports on the progress of the

River and Drainage activity through interrogation of databases and liaison with other staff.

- Staff understand how their work contributes to the work of others and the wider organisations' strategies and goals.
- Management and/or Council are satisfied with the quality and timeliness of reports provided.
- Reports are timely and accurate and meet Management and other customer expectations.
- Reports are accurate and informative and help inform decisions.

Advisory

- Provide advice and support to Catchment Operations staff and other staff using Horizons data systems and develop their capability through use of mapping, recording and reporting programmes.
- Contributing to the development of Horizons plans and strategies where required.
- Provide similar support to contractors or other teams as required.
- Advice and support is effective and supports the achievement of River Management and Horizons wider objectives.
- Staff and contractors are satisfied with the timeliness of the advice and support provided.
- Staff and contractors have the information and knowledge to effectively manage data.

Contract Management and Supervision

- Preparing project plans and obtaining cost estimates for programmed works.
- Selection and induction of contractors.
- Supervising work programmes and monitoring for results.
- Ensure relevant legislative rules and requirements are met.
- Ensure compliance with Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and safe work methods/practices relating to my functional work area at all times.
- Ensure corporate standards, policies and operating procedures are met.
- Manage staff and corporate resources as required.

- Prepare, implement and administer relevant contracts in accordance with procurement procedures.
- Ensure contractors comply with relevant legislation.
- All staff and contractors are aware of all hazards relating to their relevant work practices and areas.
- A high level of health and safety awareness is evident in all activities.

Public Liaison

- Facilitate, prepare and promote HRC, Catchment Operations and individual projects to the public, interest groups and project partners.
- Prepare articles for publication following HRC communication procedures.
- Support all HRC strategies and plans with an emphasis on Catchment Operations operational plans and individual project targets.
- Respond to complaints, general inquiries and requests for action.
- Organise and attend field days when needed (eg. formal or informal public events or focus groups).
- Provide presentations to public (including river management scheme committees).

- Community involvement is achieved by facilitating diverse groups, identifying and clarifying unresolved issues, recommending action and modifying behaviour.
- Articles are submitted as on time as required.
- Customers receive up-to-date and relevant information.
- Requests for information are responded to promptly.
- All customer contacts and queries are recorded in an appropriate database on a timely basis.



Corporate Contribution

- Maintain own professional development.
- Undertake Performance Development tasks/responsibilities.
- Undertake Health and Safety tasks/responsibilities.
- Participate in emergency management training and activities as required.
- Participate and contribute to corporate projects and inter-departmental initiatives as agreed.
- Maintain Council plant and equipment.
- Fulfil administration-reporting requirements (e.g. timesheets, vouchers, reporting).

- Appropriate training and development undertaken as agreed.
- Corporate responsibilities are undertaken and completed accurately, meeting specified standards and within agreed timeframes.
- Contribution to projects and corporate initiatives is effective and valued.
- Administration requirements are completed timely and accurately.

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Qualifications

Essential:

- A completed relevant tertiary qualification to degree level, or An undergraduate qualification in a relevant discipline, such as a tertiary certificate, diploma or partially completed degree and at least two years practical experience, or 5 or more years direct industry experience in a relevant data management and/or an environmental management discipline.
- A current full driver's licence (class 1).

Knowledge/Experience

- Experience in ArcGIS, and Esri Field Apps.
- Experience in database management, reporting and programming.
- Highly competent in relevant information technology.
- Knowledge of asset management.
- Knowledge of the Natural Character Assessment, and gravel studies methodologies.
- Experience working effectively and collaborating with a wide variety of internal stakeholders and meeting customer's expectations.
- Some knowledge of and ability to understand financial reporting and budgets.

KEY JOB COMPETENCIES

Advanced Knowledge

- GIS systems preferably in ArcGIS and Esri Field Apps.
- Data management.
- Competent in Microsoft Office packages.
- Skills in building reports (excel, PowerBl) and the art of presenting data with a contextual narrative.

Working Knowledge

- Programming skills (python, SQL).
- Geomorphological processes.
- Problem solving/solution focus.
- Project/control practices.
- Managing customer expectations.
- Safe work practices.



Awareness

Sensitivity to differing cultural perspectives.

COMPETENCIES FOR PERFORMANCE DEVELOPMENT

Customer Focus

Commitment to meeting the needs of anyone they work for and with including colleagues.

Job Knowledge

• Have the knowledge and skills to perform the requirements of the position.

Communication

Use written and verbal language and style appropriate to the audience and context.

Teamwork

Work constructively with people as a team member to achieve a common goal.

Dependability and Commitment

Reliable and dedicated to achieving results.

Continuous Improvement

 Adjusts to change and different perspectives, thinks proactively, pursues opportunities and take appropriate action.

Organising for Results

Ensures work is completed effectively and within agreed deadlines.

PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES

- Time management skills
- Organised, systems thinker.
- Able to work effectively with minimum supervision.
- Excellent Communication skills (verbal and written).
- Able to relate to a wide range of people.
- A reasonable standard of physical fitness (able to perform all tasks associated with the position).
- Encourages collaboration, leading by example.
- The ability to build and maintain effective working relationships.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Be prepared to:

- Maintain a proactive approach to Health and Safety in relationship to your responsibilities and ensure legislative responsibilities and codes of practice are complied with.
- Occasionally work outside of normal business hours.
- Occasional overnight stays away from home.
- Undertake activities, as directed, as part of Horizons Regional Council's response to flood events, environmental incidents and emergency response.



DECLARATION

This position description is prepared on the basis of existing and foreseen duties and responsibilities. As such it will not prejudice further specification and/or rearrangement at a later date. Also it will not prejudice a particular incumbent's ability to achieve personal development through a change (or partial change) in duties and/or position.

NGĀ UARA O NGĀ PAE | HORIZONS VALUES



Manaakitanga | We care for our places and make a positive difference

We care for our communities and the region's environments. We care for current and future generations.

He kura te tangata | We treasure our people

We look after each other, we uphold each other's mana; we use our different skills to support one another.

Mā rau ringa e tutuki ai | We succeed together

We strengthen our partnerships by collaborating with each other and our communities. We share information, knowledge and experiences because doing things together, works best. We listen to understand each other.

Kia Mau Ki Te Tokanga Nui a Noho

Approved:	(Manager)
Read and Understood:	(Incumbent) Date: / /