

JOB DESCRIPTION - GII TBSO

Job Purpose

This position is responsible for effectively conducting surveillance, monitoring, eradication and control of the Giant Invasive Iguana (GII) to enhance the chances of long-term survival of terrestrial endemic and threatened species on Taveuni Island, surrounding islets and throughout Fiji. The position will report to the Station Officer (GII).

Nature and Scope

This position of Temporary Biosecurity Officer (GII) is created to effectively implement the eradication and control operations- for the GII in line with the eradication plan approved by BAF. The position reports timely and updated information to the Station Officer GII.

Principal Accountabilities

- Carry out monitoring and surveillance of the islands including Qamea, Matagi,
 Laucala and Taveuni with the team
- Capture and cull all stages of GII including eggs (should be able to differentiate GII from Local iguana) and eradicate humanely
- Report activities to Station Officer GII
- Participate in team meeting for planning of activities and allocation of tasks
- Plan and prepare for weekly tasks
- Visit to local villages to conduct awareness
- Avoid harming the local iguana
- Protect the habitat of local iguana
- Fill the forms with details of GII caught
- Be punctual
- Not to abuse TBSO powers (do not enter anyone's land unless it is to do with surveillance and eradication of GII)

Qualifications/ Knowledge/ Skills

- Have an understanding of eradication requirements and methods
- At least 2 years of field experience with natural resource and agricultural management
- Relevant experience in field operations e.g. as former serviceman, policeman or military background would be advantageous
- Experience mapping GPS survey tracks
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively both independently and collaboratively
- Demonstrated ability to meet deadlines
- Experience working amongst Pacific cultures
- Field experience with iguanas or other reptiles will be an advantage
- Be able to carry out the assigned tasks without difficulties
- Have knowledge of BAFs' procedures will be an advantage
- Must be highly committed to eradication of GII from Fiji and enhance the survivability of local endangered species
- Must be highly cooperative, respectful and professional
- Must have excellent customer service
- Must be willing to work in teams and long hours if need be
- Must be organised and well presented
- Must have a valid driving license

WHERE TO SEND YOUR APPLICATION

Complete written applications must include your curriculum vitae and the names of at least 2 referees with academic certificates and transcripts. Applications should be marked "Vacancy No. & Name" and must be sent either by post, hand delivery, or email to hrrecruit@baf.com.fj no later than 5:00 pm Friday 28th July, 2023.

Please send to Recruitment

Biosecurity Authority of Fiji

PO Box 18360, Suva

Hand deliver to

Level 3, Provident Plaza 1 Downtown Boulevard Ellery Street, Suva

Please note that only shortlisted applicants will be contacted. If you have not been contacted by BAF, then your application has not been successful and we thank you for your interest in applying.

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