



Friends of the Earth Melbourne

MOBILISE – RESIST – TRANSFORM

‘STRZELECKI KOALA’ SKAT Outreach Coordinator

Overview:

Employer:	Friends of the Earth (FoE) Melbourne
Job Title:	‘STRZELECKI KOALA’ Outreach Coordinator
Work Type/s:	Fixed term contract - Part Time - 12 months
Work Hours:	1 day/8 hours per week.
Salary:	\$35.50 per hour, \$14,768.00 per annum, plus super and entitlements.
Sector/s:	Not for Profit
Location:	Melbourne with occasional travel to Gippsland
Applications Close:	5pm, Friday 19th February 2021
Position Starts:	March 2021

About Us:

Friends of the Earth (FoE) Melbourne is a not-for-profit community based organisation working for a socially equitable and environmentally sustainable future for more than 40 years. Friends of the Earth Melbourne is an anti hierarchical organisation and a local member group of the national federation known as Friends of the Earth Australia, which in turn is the country member of Friends of the Earth International.

The broader Friends of the Earth International network has over 5,000 local branches across the globe and is the world's largest grassroots environmental network with over 2 million members and supporters around the world. FoE campaigns from the local to the global on today's most urgent environmental and social issues; challenging the current model of economic and

corporate neoliberal globalisation, and promoting solutions to create environmentally sustainable and socially just societies.

About the Role:

Friends of the Earth are seeking a highly organised and motivated Strzelecki Koala Outreach Coordinator to help ensure the long term survival of Victoria's only endemic koala population.

Friends of the Earth Melbourne has campaigned in Victoria's Strzelecki Ranges in South Gippsland since the mid 1990's. The culmination of this work has been the creation of the Brataualung Forest Reserve, which will total 8,000 ha by 2027.

The Strzeleckis and South Gippsland region are the home to Victoria's only endemic koala population. Because of its unique genetics, the Strzelecki koala is the key to the preservation of the animal in Victoria and South Australia.

Since 2013, FoE has been involved in koala surveys work in the region. The work has helped identify key koala tree species, key koala locations and an estimated population size.

During 2021 FoE plans to undertake more surveys in the region, focussing on areas that have not been surveyed before. The findings of these surveys will help FoE's goal to see the Strzelecki koala listed under the federal Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation (EPBC) Act, similar to koala populations in New South Wales and Queensland.

Key Responsibilities:

The Strzelecki Koala Outreach Coordinator will work to:

- Use Nation Builder, email lists, social media and other digital campaigning platforms to ensure that supporters, donors and members are kept up to date on recent news, information and events and activities.
- Convene regular meetings of SKAT Collective volunteers (fortnightly or monthly, TBC) to build a team of skilled volunteers who jointly develop strategies, tactics and activities with community stakeholders.
- Organise creative events, fundraisers, and actions throughout the year that build awareness, capacity and movement for the protection of the Strzelecki Koala
- Assist on the ground with citizen science activities in regional areas.
- Assist in organising a regional Koala forum and organise a bus trip for major donors supporting our work.
- Assist with lobbying efforts of Federal and State Politicians

Accountability:

The ‘Strzelecki Koala Outreach Coordinator’ will be accountable to the Friends of the Earth Melbourne SKAT “collective”, the Operations Collective and Strategy collective where required.

Salary & Conditions:

This is a fixed term contract, based on 1 day/8 hours per week for 12 months beginning March 2021

The ‘Strzelecki Koala Outreach Coordinator’ would be employed under the Friends of the Earth Melbourne workers agreement. Friends of the Earth Melbourne has a policy of wage equity and as such all workers are paid at the same hourly rate.

The current commencing pay rate for this position is \$35.50 per hour with a yearly salary of \$14,768.00 per annum, plus superannuation and entitlements.

This position may require a willingness to travel to events in regional Victoria.

Hours of work:

This is a fixed term 12 month contract for 1 day/8 hours per week (0.2 FTE)

At Friends of the Earth Melbourne we consider a working day to be 8 hours, with the option of flexi time within a working day.

Selection Criteria:

Essential:

- Demonstrated commitment to social and environmental justice
- Strong interpersonal skills – proven ability to build relationships and communicate with a diverse range of people
- Experience working with volunteers and teams
- Experience organising events, fundraising and awareness raising activities

Desirable:

- Commitment to grassroots community activism and working as part of an anti-hierarchical collective.
- Experience with online databases (particularly NationBuilder) and website maintenance.

- Knowledge of issues relating to koalas and forests.
 - Driver's licence
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Instructions

All applicants must include the following 3 documents:

1. A cover letter (no more than 1 page)
2. A statement addressing the selection criteria
3. Your CV

All applications should include in the email subject line: STRZKOALA Outreach

Send to anthony.amis@foe.org.au

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