

## Principal Hydrogeologist Adelaide, South Australia

Sometimes, it's easy to settle into a routine. You get up every morning and go to the same office. You talk about the same things with the same people, and experience the same highs and lows. It's comfortable. It's reliable. And it doesn't challenge you.

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With our Australian and New Zealand businesses involved in projects as diverse as the modernisation of the Shepparton Irrigation site in Northern Victoria, iron ore mine expansions in the Pilbara to a new desalination plant on Queensland's Gold Coast, we've got the right challenge for you.



SKM Enviro is part of the Sinclair Knight Merz (SKM) group and has more than 6,500 people working across 17 countries specialising in Renewable Energy, Water & Environment, Power & Energy, Mining and Building and Infrastructure.

SKM has a credible groundwater team comprising of Hydrogeologists, Environmental Engineers and Environmental Scientists based in Adelaide. The team enjoy a reputation of delivering exciting projects built on technical innovation. The team are now seeking a Principal Hydrogeologist to complement the existing team. The role will be based from Adelaide, South Australia.

### SCOPE OF THE ROLE:

Reporting into the Team Leader Groundwater, the Principal Hydrogeologist will work closely with the Adelaide Groundwater team and operate as a key technical resource in supporting the team to deliver high level technical projects in groundwater and associated underground liquid and gas reservoir management.

The scope of the role will include providing commercial input to further develop the already strong position of the groundwater business, in particular focusing on Government agencies in the river and wetland infrastructure sector and also assisting with opportunities in the mining and energy sector. The role will involve working with existing Client Managers in order to develop the Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR) and coal seam gas opportunities/projects in Australia.

### KEY PROJECTS/CLIENT:

The team is currently working on large groundwater projects with a diverse range of clients covering both the public and private sector.

### RESPONSIBILITIES:

**TECHNICAL:** Project Manager and Project Director providing senior technical, business and risk management oversight for large Groundwater projects. Act as a senior technical support to the Team Leader on groundwater projects.

**PROJECT MANAGEMENT:** Secure and deliver large groundwater technical projects including operating as a Project Director.

**CLIENT CARE:** Ensure quality of service and client satisfaction. Ensure projects delivered are meeting the client's needs.

**COMMERCIAL:** Support and assist in the development of the Adelaide office Groundwater practice. Pursue Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR) opportunities in the Mining sector, with Local Government authorities, water utilities and in the Coal seam gas area in conjunction with existing client managers where they are operating in these sectors including;

- Groundwater management
- Groundwater dependent ecosystems
- Surface water
- Groundwater interface

**TEAMWORKING:** Encourage and motivate the team by providing technical leadership. Demonstrate commitment to the team by displaying a personal commitment and positive attitude at all times and acts as an ambassador for teamwork. Acts a role model to the team, providing leadership, support and constructive feedback.

**EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS:**

Applicants will hold a relevant degree i.e. Hydrogeology (or equivalent or be able to demonstrate an equivalent level of understanding).

**EXPERIENCE & SKILLS:**

- Applicants must have considerable relevant technical work experience and may come from a wide range of backgrounds including environmental consultancy, engineering/industry, Local Authority or from a regulatory organisation. Regardless of background applicants will need to demonstrate technical expertise within the field of Hydrogeology.
- Able to undertake strategic high level discussions and engage senior people in government agencies to support client relationship development.
- Knowledge and/or experience of winning and managing high value projects including management of project schedules, budget control and resource allocation and management.
- A track record of business development.
- Previous experience of working with and developing capability within less experienced consultants.
- Strong report and proposal writing skills.
- Demonstrated application of quality control / quality assurance.

**PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT:**

The role offers a huge opportunity to grow technically through working in multi-disciplinary project teams servicing major clients within SKM's non-environmental business areas such as statutory planning (facilitating assessments and clearances for property transactions), heavy industry and infrastructure (e.g. major resources, road, rail and other transport projects), and others. There may also be a potential for line management/mentoring responsibilities.

As part of SKM's commitment to supporting employees to reach their full potential SKM have comprehensive training programmes and professional development initiatives. Varied career paths within the consulting groups offer the option to specialise in a managerial, commercial or technical field.

**REMUNERATION**

Competitive package including relocation assistance

**To apply:**

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