



Principal Project Accountant, Alliances

POSITION DETAILS

Department / Team: Alliances	Reports to (title): Finance Manager
# Direct Reports: 0	# Indirect Reports: 0
Location: Brisbane	Salary Banding: AO8

THE CROSS RIVER RAIL PROJECT

The Cross River Rail Delivery Authority is building a new 10.2km rail line that includes 5.9km of twin tunnels running under the Brisbane River and CBD; with four new underground stations at Boggo Road, Woolloongabba, Albert Street and Roma Street.

Once complete, it will provide trains with a much-needed alternative rail path through the core of the current SEQ Rail network, unlocking a bottleneck and allowing more trains to run more often across the whole of South East Queensland.

The Cross River Rail Delivery Authority is also delivering multiple supporting projects and activities in conjunction with Department of Transport and Main Road. These include accessibility rebuilds for eight surface stations, construction of three new stations on the Gold Coast; upgrades for stabling yards; track works and surface rail enhancements; and the introduction of a new ETCS digital signalling system.

Further Information: www.crossriverrail.qld.gov.au

OUR VALUES AND BEHAVIOURS



WE COLLABORATE

- We treat each other with respect and speak up when this doesn't happen.
- We share information to help everyone be successful.
- We have honest conversations, no agendas or surprise.
- We are curious, asking questions to understand.
- We work through issues together and help each other.



WE INNOVATE

- We are inclusive, listening to and encouraging differing views.
- We challenge and push the boundaries.
- We apply and share our knowledge to do better.
- We seize our opportunity to set new standards and benchmarks.



WE DELIVER

- We act safely at all times.
- We do what we say we will do and when we will do it.
- We understand our individual role and how it fits into the project's success.
- We take responsibility for our work and speak up when we need help.
- We are committed to continuous development and take every opportunity to review, learn and improve the way in which we are delivering the project, learn improve.



ROLE OVERVIEW

The Principal Project Accountant, Alliances is a senior finance role embedded within one of the Delivery Authority's Alliances, responsible for delivering robust financial management outcomes in a complex project environment across Alliance cost, claims and governance processes.

The role provides end-to-end project and alliance finance support to the Alliance, including financial reporting, budgeting, forecasting, financial controls, compliance and audit activities. Working in close proximity to delivery teams, the position ensures financial information is accurate, timely and aligned with governance requirements, while proactively identifying and managing financial risks and issues.

Reporting to the Finance Manager, who holds strategic accountability, the role operates with a high degree of autonomy and professional judgement, applying established financial frameworks and controls within a large-scale infrastructure delivery context.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Work as an embedded senior finance specialist within the Alliance, supporting delivery teams by providing timely, practical finance support aligned with agreed processes and controls.
- Coordinate and prepare regular and ad hoc financial reporting across the Alliance, including monthly reports, management packs and supporting financial analysis, in line with established reporting frameworks.
- Manage the Sequence Alliance claim process, reviewing and providing strategic advice to ensure Program Alliance Agreement compliance and reporting to Finance Manager.
- Prepare and administer financial payment claims, ensuring accuracy, compliance with the Alliance Agreement and alignment with approved financial controls.
- Track and report financial performance indicators and measures to support performance monitoring, escalation and decision making
- Oversee the integrity and application of the Cost Breakdown Structure for change and ongoing operations.
- Administer cost allocation, governance and reporting of financial performance established for a program of works contract.
- Deliver month-end financial processes across the Sequence Alliance, ensuring accuracy, completeness and compliance with financial control requirements.
- Maintain the application and ongoing operation of Alliance Financial Control Plans and financial governance frameworks, contributing to effective financial management within a complex project delivery environment.
- Coordinate internal and external audit activities across the Alliance, including preparing documentation, timely responses and supporting the monitoring and close out of agreed actions.
- Maintain compliance with the Program Alliance Agreement and relevant financial policies, procedures and delegations.
- Identify and escalate financial risks and issues within areas of responsibility, providing input and advice to support effective risk management.
- Build effective working relationships with internal stakeholders and Alliance participants to support sound financial outcomes and information flows.
- Undertake additional finance, compliance and reporting activities consistent with the responsibilities of the role, as required.



KEY COMPETENCIES

The successful candidate will be able to demonstrate:

- Demonstrated experience delivering senior finance support within large, complex project or infrastructure environments, ideally within alliance or integrated delivery models.
- Strong capability in financial reporting, budgeting, forecasting, financial controls and governance in delivery-focused settings.
- Ability to operate autonomously and exercise independent professional judgement within delegated authority.
- Sound understanding of audit, compliance and assurance requirements in a project environment.
- High level of attention to detail, with the ability to manage competing priorities and meet reporting deadlines.
- Well-developed stakeholder engagement skills, with the ability to work effectively alongside delivery teams while maintaining financial integrity and compliance.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Excel and financial management systems.
- Relevant tertiary qualifications in accounting, finance, business or a related discipline, or an equivalent combination of qualifications and demonstrated experience.