POSITION DESCRIPTION		
ROLE :	Senior Planner	
ROLE PURPOSE :	Provide information, advice and assistance to members, regional management and other stakeholders in areas relating to town planning, land development and environmental issues. Take leadership (or be responsible for informing and keeping up-to-date) to inform and keep up-to-date the Victorian and Tasmanian Environment, Planning & Development Committees (or similar) on relevant emerging and current topics	
WHAT DOES THE ROLE DO :	Deliver, promote and prosecute HIA policies through a broad range of member services, lobbying and submissions and to government in relation to residential development, planning and the environment within Victoria and Tasmania.	
HOW IS THE ROLE DONE :	<ul> <li>Policy and Advocacy</li> <li>Identify and prosecute policy settings that will encourage and support residential development in Victoria</li> <li>Undertake research, policy and advocacy programs relating to planning, development, infrastructure and sustainability issues affecting HIA members</li> <li>Provide high level research, representation, advocacy and support to the Regional Executive Director Victoria and Tasmania on planning, and environmental issues affecting residential development.</li> <li>Develop and foster effective contact, access and communication with senior government representatives, industry leaders, and manufacturers and suppliers, external industry bodies and local councils</li> <li>Monitor and review changes in government property, land development, planning and environmental legislation and policy that affects the housing industry, particularly housing costs</li> <li>Assist in the design and execution of lobby strategies including research reports, submissions to governments, letters, media releases, presentations and meetings</li> <li>Represent the Regional Executive Director on policy and government relations in planning matters</li> <li>Stakeholder Engagement</li> <li>Provide general planning, development and environmental approvals advice to HIA members on issues related to:         <ul> <li>victorian and Tasmanian residential development matters, including for example Victorian ResCode</li> <li>planning approvals and</li> <li>other related planning matters, such as; sustainability and building resilience</li> </ul> </li> <li>Initiate and maintain high level services and relationships with major builder developers.</li> <li>Ensure sound communications internally including national and regional committees and externally</li> <li>Work with other service staff to ensure high level member support and communication</li> </ul>	

	<ul> <li>Provide secretariat support and effectively communicate on key issues with the Victorian and Tasmanian Environment Planning and Development Committees or similar, including taking a leadership role to inform and keep up-to-date Committee of emerging and current topics</li> <li>Develop various communications for members – written articles and tailored presentations</li> <li>Attend and present at various HIA events, trade nights and awards</li> <li>Develop, promote and undertake relevant activities to support and advance the HIA GreenSmart program</li> <li>Represent HIA on senior government and industry forums</li> </ul>
	Other         • Is capable to represent the Regional Executive Director in matters of residential development and at some state and industry based committees         • Perform other duties required by the Victorian and Tasmanian Executive Directors         • Regularly and proactively engage with and take direction from the Executive Director – Planning & Development         Successful performance of the role will be demonstrated with targeted and active communication and engagement techniques
KEY ACCOUNTABILITES:	<ul> <li>Timeliness of advice and information provided to stakeholders</li> <li>Accuracy and quality of advice and information provided to stakeholder</li> <li>Contribution to the team environment</li> <li>Demonstrated willingness to research and develop personal knowledge and skills</li> <li>Producing relevant and informative content for Committees as directed by Victorian / Tasmanian Regional Executive Directors and the Executive Director – Planning &amp; Development.</li> </ul>
ATTRIBUTES AND EXPERIENCE :	<ul> <li>Degree in Urban Planning, Environmental Planning or Management, or Building related discipline</li> <li>Sound understanding of the housing industry with specific demonstrated experience in the multi-residential market and land developments</li> <li>Excellent organisational ability and ability to manage competing priorities</li> <li>Excellent networking and communication skills and capacity to handle key relationships</li> <li>Well-developed research and report writing skills</li> <li>Highly computer literate and capable with on-line research tools and the Microsoft Office suite</li> <li>Excellent communication skills (both written and oral)</li> <li>Ability to build rapport with HIA members and industry stakeholders in prosecuting HIA policies</li> </ul>
REPORTING :	<ul> <li>The position reports to:</li> <li>Regional Executive Directors – Victoria / Tasmania</li> <li>The position has key internal relationships with:</li> <li>Executive Director - Planning and Environment</li> <li>HIA planning services team</li> <li>HIA building services team</li> </ul>