



Noosa Biosphere® Reserve Foundation Ltd

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### **Noosa Biosphere Reserve Foundation calls for new Directors**

The Noosa Biosphere Reserve Foundation is calling for expressions of interest to join its volunteer Board of Directors.

Chair, Rex Halverson said the Foundation is seeking suitably qualified individuals to fill several upcoming vacancies on its Board.

“It is anticipated that toward the end of 2021 several positions on the Board will become vacant as some present Directors are nearing the end of their term,” he said.

“We are interested to hear from highly-motivated individuals with an interest in helping to shape the future of the Foundation and support our innovative projects that promote a sustainable and healthy natural environment and economy for the Noosa community.”

The Noosa Biosphere Reserve Foundation (NBRF) is a not-for-profit organisation established by the Noosa Shire Council in 2015. Its role is to manage a charitable trust and support projects and initiatives that align with the UNESCO Man and the Biosphere Programme, in the Noosa Shire.

“The NBRF works with stakeholders, experts and community groups to identify, test and action big ideas that provide local solutions to the challenges of managing the sustainable use of Noosa’s land, water and wildlife assets as well as initiatives that support a sustainable local economy,” said Mr Halverson.

“Some of the exciting initiatives currently under development include expanding wild koala conservation and research activities, instigating a marine species protection pilot and implementing new bioacoustics research to learn more about our Glossy Black-Cockatoo populations.”

The NBRF recently signed a new four-year partnership agreement with Noosa Shire Council and a Memorandum of Understanding with the University of the Sunshine Coast and is developing multiple PhD projects.

“Looking forward into 2022, the Foundation aims to focus on increasing its social, cultural and economic project portfolio and encourage candidates with experience and connections in these areas to come forward.”

The skills-based Board is made up of eight volunteer Directors, appointed for terms of three years, who collectively guide the direction of the Foundation and liaise with project and community stakeholders.

The NBRF is committed to diversity and gender equity on the Board. Candidates with experience in corporate finance, legal, governance or fundraising with links to philanthropic organisations or individuals are being sought.

For more information, visit [www.noosabiosphere.org.au](http://www.noosabiosphere.org.au). Applications close 30 August.

Ends.

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#### **About Noosa Biosphere Reserve Foundation**



The Noosa Biosphere Reserve Foundation (NBRF) is a not-for-profit organisation established by the Noosa Shire Council to support projects and ideas that align with the aims of the UNESCO Man and Biosphere (MAB) Program. In 2007, the Noosa Shire achieved global recognition for the high values of its natural environment with the designation of our Shire as the Noosa Biosphere Reserve by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO). [www.noosabiosphere.org.au](http://www.noosabiosphere.org.au)