

2019 Senior Promotions



Tara Halliday
Senior Principal Environmental Scientist &
Social Consultant - Abbotsford, Victoria

Joining Coffey in 2000, Tara's specialisation is in environmental and social management and advisory services, primarily for the resources sector. While based in Victoria, as a Senior Principal Environmental and Social Consultant, client projects see Tara working in all Australian states and internationally with focus on the Asia Pacific region. Her knowledge, experience and delivery of outstanding outcomes has seen her build long lasting relationships with a number of clients, some spanning several projects and decades.

Earlier this year, Tara was one of three recipients of the inaugural 'Women on Boards Scholarship' from the AusIMM and Vic Government, which aims to provide the resources for exceptional women in the mining sector to reach their potential.

"I enjoy working with a great team on interesting and challenging projects across the Asia Pacific region".



Lawrence Charles
Principal Geotechnical Engineer
Tauranga, New Zealand

Lawrence has over 29 years' experience in geotechnical engineering, working on complex and challenging projects for commercial and government clients. As a Principal Geotechnical Engineer, Lawrence works closely with clients across the Bay of Plenty and Waikato Regions of the North Island of New Zealand.

"Working at Coffey no one day is ever the same. From working with colleagues to direct client interactions, I really enjoy working in a field that values experience and the professional services we deliver".



Nicholas Clendon
Principal Engineering Geologist
Wellington, New Zealand

As a Principal Engineering Geologist, Nick's specialisation is in seismic assessment, strengthening and ground improvement. His knowledge and experience have seen him work across a number of large private and government projects, including ground improvement works and foundation design for Wellington Children's Hospital. With over 16 years' industry experience (eight years at Coffey) Nick truly is ensuring our clients have the foundations they need to project success and outcomes.

"It's great to be part of a unified and collaborative team, everyone working together across NZ to not only support each other but deliver amazing outcomes for our clients"

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Edward Wu
Principal Environmental Engineer
Chatswood, NSW

Edward joined Coffey in 2000 and has over 20 years' of experience in the industry. Now a Principal Environmental Engineer, Edward is helping our clients manage their contamination risks in landfills and infrastructure projects, working across NSW and ACT.

"Great people, great clients and great projects. That's why Coffey is such a great place to work!"



Roger Gibbs
Senior Associate Environmental Scientist
Geelong, Victoria

As a Senior Associate Environmental Scientist, Roger specialises in delivering commercial and government clients the innovative solutions for site assessment and remediation (SAR) of contaminated land. With over 12 years' experience, Roger is bringing together science, regulatory frameworks and governance to change the way we repurpose land for our communities and the future.

"Coffey strikes the right balance in creating a professional, outcome driven consulting environment, underpinned by a collaborative, talented and motivated team who aim to deliver the best possible results in every project"



Anthony Plumb
Senior Associate Environmental Scientist
Chatswood, NSW

Ant joined the Coffey team in 2016 and as a Senior Associate Environmental Scientist delivers expertise in supporting our clients with contaminated land assessment and remediation. More recently he has been supporting some of NSW biggest projects, including pre-work for the Parramatta Light Rail.

"The things I enjoy most about working at Coffey are workplace flexibility, working on challenging projects, and the ability to tap into a network of technical experts and mentors across a range of services."

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David McFadden
Senior Associate Environmental Engineer
Chatswood, NSW

David has over 13 years' of experience working in the contaminated land and waste management industries, working on numerous government and commercial projects. As a Senior Associate Environmental Engineer with Coffey, he is working on a number of major regeneration projects for key government clients, addressing their risk and design challenges in this technically specialist field.

"The people that come to work at Coffey make it a unique place, and there is great connectivity between the groups. I am also really proud of the long and lasting client relationships I have built here. Being able to work with clients and see their projects come to life is an added bonus".



Philip Henderson
Senior Associate, Team Leader & Office
Manager - Geelong, Victoria

Phil is the Office Manager for the Coffey Melbourne office. As a Senior Associate, he assists a range of commercial and local government clients. Phil has over 8 years' experience within the industry, specialising in contaminated waste. He has also assisted several clients across major transport projects in Melbourne.

"The great part of working at Coffey is that it allows me to work directly with our clients to solve complex problems, and to focus always on the constructability of our engineering designs".



Christopher Thompson
Associate Engineering Geologist
Christchurch, New Zealand

With expertise in engineering geology and geotechnical engineering, since joining Coffey in 2011 Chris has been at the heart of a number of major, complex design and construction works including Lyttelton Port's Te Awaparahi Bay reclamation and Kawarau Falls Bridge. Now as an Associate Engineering Geologist, Chris will continue to work closely with clients, providing innovative solutions to support their technical challenges.

"From start to finish, no matter how long the project is, it's about working closely with our clients, understanding their problems and providing the bespoke, intelligent solutions they need."

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Alireza Mohiti Asli
Associate Geotechnical Engineer &
Geotechnical Team Leader
Chatswood, NSW

With over 11 years' experience working as a geotechnical engineer, Ali has experience in delivering design coordination and feasibility studies for complex projects. As Geotechnical Team Leader and Associate Geotechnical Engineer, he is currently leading a team working on a number of water infrastructure projects of national importance.

"The continuous support from Coffey has given me the confidence to take on new challenges, furthering my career and professional experience".



Christopher Armstrong
Geotechnical Leader
Auckland, New Zealand

As Geotechnics Leader in Auckland and Associate Geotechnical Engineer, Chris is leading a team striving to make a positive difference and tangible impact for our clients and their projects. Since joining Coffey eight years ago, Chris has delivered Geotechnical expertise across New Zealand and the Pacific, most notable the Te Mato Vai Project in Rarotonga where Coffey is successfully delivering a project ensuring safe and reliable drinking water to the Island and its community.

"Working at Coffey I have autonomy and diverse project opportunities"



Nicola Tocker
Senior Project Manager
Auckland, New Zealand

As a Senior Project Manager, Nicola leads on various multi-discipline projects predominantly across local government as well as other market sectors. With over eight years' of service with Coffey, both in WA and now in NZ, Nicola has a proven history of working with a multitude of stakeholders on challenging projects, delivering successful outcomes for the client and the projects she manages.

"I love working at Coffey – we have a great culture, exciting projects and lots of opportunity!"

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Jonathon Hainsworth
Senior Project Manager
Newcastle, NSW

Joining the Coffey team four years ago as a Project Manager, Jonathon has recently been promoted to Senior Project Manager. Jonathon works alongside stakeholders on challenging projects across NSW. With various multi-discipline projects across Health, Education and Defence as well as other market sectors, Jonathon brings over 15 years' experience to this role and the projects he leads.

"I'm passionate about being able to lead the delivery of state-of-the-art facilities for my clients".



Michael Coyte
Senior Project Manager
Newcastle, NSW

With 15 years industry experience in the planning, design, construction, and management of complex infrastructure projects in the rail, mining, healthcare and defence sectors, Michael is focused on providing leading outcomes for clients. Since joining Coffey in 2017, Michael has been working with government clients, supporting infrastructure projects in the complex rail environment. With a career spanning a range of industries in the UK and Australia, as a Senior Project Manager, Michael will continue to ensure that Coffey is the first choice for project management services.

"The thing that I like most is the team and comradery that is promoted and embraced from management down. I have never worked for an organisation that promotes a team environment like Coffey and knowing that your efforts are recognised and appreciated makes you stay with your employer".