

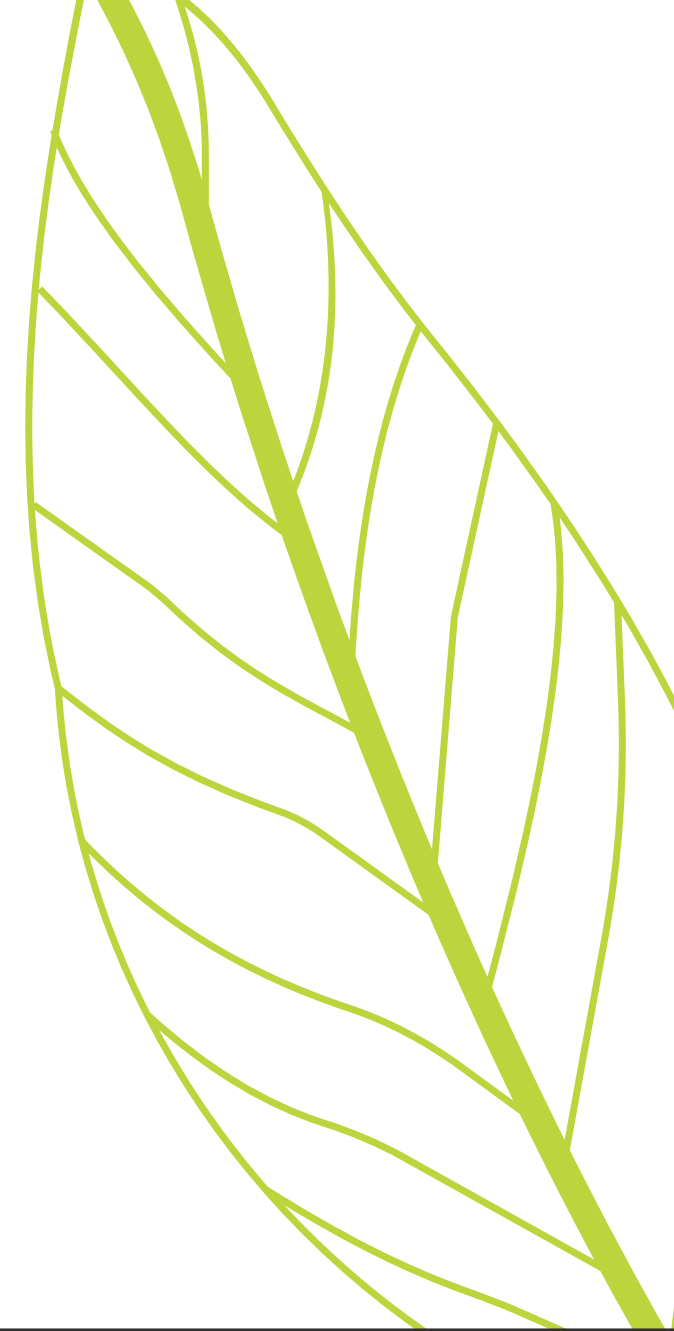
Capability Statement

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For all of your ecology and environmental planning solutions, UrbanEco has you covered. Our extensive experience and expert knowledge of field ecology and the ever-changing legislative frameworks it interacts with helps your project to maximise its potential whilst striking the right balance with managing environmental values.

Let UrbanEco guide you to achieve the optimal development outcomes for your site. Outstanding customer service is at the core of everything we do at UrbanEco and we are committed to being by your side every step of the way from project inception to completion.



Who We Are.

Mark Spears is an experienced ecologist and environmental planner with 17 years' experience in both private and public sector roles as an environmental consultant (10 years) and environmental assessment officer and leadership in the environmental assessment teams at City of Gold Coast and Redland City Council (7 years).

Mark has a wealth of knowledge about the planning framework in Queensland and how to best navigate hurdles and challenges to development in an increasingly complex environmental and planning legislative framework at local, state and federal levels of government. Mark is a highly qualified ecologist with a south-east Queensland speciality and a seasoned negotiator who gets results.

Core Services.

Development application technical reporting

- Ecological site assessments
- Vegetation management plans
- Covenant management plans
- Rehabilitation management plans
- EPBC Act referrals
- Vegetation clearing applications
- Basic Bushfire management plans
- Protected plant surveys
- Permits for clearing of marine plants
- Statutory compliance

Ecological survey services

- Flora (vegetation and tree) surveys
- Fauna surveys
- Wetland and waterway assessments and mapping
- Koala habitat assessment and mapping amendments
- Property maps of assessable vegetation (PMAVs)
- Regular compliance monitoring and reporting

Expert advice

- Due diligence pre-purchase advice
- Constraints and opportunities analyses
- Resolving compliance issues and alleged unlawful work
- Negotiation and lobbying to resolve impasses with regulators
- Expert witness services
- Environmental offsets planning
- Statutory planning advice including road testing
- Expert in nature-based tourism uses



Let's Work Together.

Please contact us for a free no-obligation discussion about your site.

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