

Sheriden Morris

Reef & Rainforest Research Centre (RRRC) Ltd - Managing Director



Sheriden Morris has had a strong connection to and focus on northern Australia her entire life: from growing up in Batchelor in the Northern Territory, through her studies in tropical agronomy, and her professional career working with sugar, banana, aquaculture and tourism industries and agencies such as CSIRO and GBRMPA. For the past ten years she has been the Managing Director of the Cairns-based not-for-profit company, Reef and Rainforest Research Centre (RRRC). She has always strongly believed in intelligent, sustainable development for northern Australia using the region's tropical expertise – the knowledge of living, building and working most effectively in the tropics.

Under her leadership, the RRRC has successfully attracted more than \$200 million in grants and investment to support research and development projects in northern Australia. This includes the Australian Government's Marine and National Tropical Sciences

Research Facility, the Tropical Ecosystems Hub of the National Environmental Research Programme, the Tropical Water Quality Hub of the National Environmental Science Programme and the Crown of Thorns Starfish Control Program.

Sheriden is Chair of the CRC for Developing Northern Australia and is Deputy Chair of Citizens of the Great Barrier Reef. Sheriden has served on numerous government advisory committees for land and water management, including Queensland and Commonwealth committees for agriculture, coastal development, wetlands and Indigenous opportunity. An extensive contributor to land and sea management policy, she has also spearheaded the development and implementation of an innovative aid development programme on Australia's northern borderlands with Papua New Guinea.

She lives on the family farm at Babinda, just south of Cairns.

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