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The National Disability Insurance Agency has named Jillian Paull as Manager of the ACT trial site.

Ms Paull comes to the Scheme from the ACT Government's Community Services Directorate where she was Senior Director working on transition to the NDIS.

The ACT is one of three trial sites being opened in 2014 as the Scheme continues to expand across Australia. Other trial sites in 2014 are in Western Australia and the Northern Territory.

The NDIS will begin operating in the ACT on 1 July.

Ms Paull said she was extremely pleased to have joined the Agency at such an important time in its development.

"I have been delighted to meet such a talented, passionate group of people," she said.

"What an amazing job you have all done in the last few months."

"The work of the Agency is so incredibly important and I am delighted to have the opportunity to make a contribution."

NDIA Chief Executive Officer David Bowen warmly welcomed Ms Paull's appointment to lead the operations of the NDIA in the ACT trial site.

"Jillian brings to the Agency close relations with the ACT Government which will be very important as people with disability in the ACT transition to the NDIS.

"As one of our 2014 trial sites, the ACT gives us an excellent opportunity to implement what we are learning from the rollout of the Scheme to improves the lives of people with disability," Mr Bowen said.

Biography information for Jillian Paull follows below.

Background information: Ms Jillian Paull, NDIS Trial Site Manager, ACT

In her role with the ACT Government, Ms Paull reported to the Deputy Director General Maureen Sheehan, who is head of the NDIS Task Force for the ACT Government.

Previously, Ms Paull headed up Mission Australia in South Australia before arriving in Canberra about 19 months ago with her two dogs Scooter (a Golden Retriever) and Coco (a Curly Coated Retriever).

She has also provided business consultancy for Life Without Barriers.

She is a passionate supporter of the Boundless Canberra all-abilities playground project, volunteering on the fundraising committee.

Ms Paull is a big cricket fan and has already fallen in love with NSW's southern coastline.

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