# Looking to find your niche in BC's growing natural resource sector?

This comprehensive, field-based program introduces participants to a wide variety of possible career paths in natural resources, from Wildland Firefighting to Environmental Monitoring. Covering 17 valuable industry certifications in just 20 weeks, participants will gain skills, support and hands-on experience to launch a fulfilling career in BC's natural resource industry.

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To learn more about the Wildfire & Integrated Resource Training program and apply, visit our website or your local WorkBC Centre:

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## **Fully-Funded**

# Wildfire & Integrated Natural Resource Training

20-week program



# Frequently Asked Questions

### Who is a good fit for this program?

This program is an incredible training opportunity for individuals who are interested in a career in BC's natural resource sector. No previous experience is required, however an interest in and enjoyment of the outdoors is a must! As 70% of this training will be hands-on and practical in nature, this program is a good fit for those who prefer a non-traditional learning environment outside of a classroom setting.

### Where does the training take place?

The classroom portion of the training is based at Stillwater Consulting's local offices, while field training sites may be located within a 1-2 hour drive from the city. Transportation to these sites will be provided.

### What are the eligibility requirements?

Applications are open to unemployed or precariously employed, EI Eligible individuals who live in the city of a Stillwater local office or the surrounding area. Twelve students are accepted per cohort.



#### What does the training cover?

Participants will come out of the program with a number of valuable skills and certifications including:

- Occupational First Aid Level 3
- Wildlife Danger Tree Assessor Forest Harvesting and Silviculture
- Natural Resource Field Studies including: Species identification, forest health, climate change & sustainability, fuel mitigation, indigenous ecological knowledge, tree planting, and more
- Basic Chainsaw Operator
- Basic Brush Saw Operator
- Wildland Firefighting (S-courses)
- Bear Aware
- Pesticide Applicator Agriculture General Certification
- Canadian Safety Council ATV and UTV Off-Road
  Vehicle Operation
- BC Hydro Green Card
- Communication, Leadership, Work Readiness
  and more

#### What gear is provided?

Participants will receive a comprehensive gear package including work gloves, rain gear, hi-vis vest, boots, hard hat, headlamp, whistle, compass and first aid kit.

#### What are the costs for participants?

The program is funded by the Government of Canada and the Province of British Columbia, which means there is no cost to participants.

### What kinds of jobs do graduates get?

This program prepares graduates for a wide range of potential employment opportunities including (but not limited to):

- · Wildland Firefighter
- · Silviculture Surveyor
- · Fuels Management
- · Tree Planting & Assessment
- Junior Forestry or Environmental Technician
- Recreation Trail Building & Maintenance
- Environmental Monitor
- Water Quality Technician
- · Ecosystem Restoration Technician
- FireSmart Program Worker

# Will I still be able to collect El benefits?

Yes, employment insurance will not be affected by participating in this program. Additional supports may be available depending on participant's needs. Contact Stillwater Consulting for more information.

### How does the job placement work?

Three weeks of the program will be dedicated to gaining hands-on experience with a local natural resources employer. Students will complete work readiness modules where they will research potential employers and identify areas of interest within the industry. Work placements will typically involve gaining experience in a specific area of the resource sector, such as field work, environmental monitoring, fuels management, and more.