

10-DAY IN-PERSON FIRE ACADEMY ANNOUNCEMENT

Location: North Bend, Washington

Date: April 9-18, 2024

Open to: Washington State Fire Agencies

Nominations Close: March 18, 2024

DNR's Wildland Fire Academy Program hosts interagency academy sessions to provide quality wildland fire training at no cost to Washington's in-state interagency firefighting partners. If you are affiliated with Washington state's local, state, federal, or tribal firefighting agencies participating in wildland fire suppression, you can register for an academy. You must also meet the qualification and prerequisite requirements specific to each course.

DNR's 10-day academies will be at the WSP Fire Training Academy near North Bend. The WSP facility provides a central location with classrooms and immediately adjacent DNR land for field exercise use and room for establishing our fire camp for the sessions. At each academy, we'll offer three cohorts – Basic Firefighter, Intermediate Firefighter, and Single Resource. Students in a specific cohort will attend the session and complete multiple courses.

The three cohorts will include:

<u>Basic Firefighter</u> – FFT2 curriculum plus scene observations/origin protection, pump operations, and basic air operations (S-130, S-190, L-180, FI-110, S-211, S-270)

<u>Intermediate Firefighter</u> – FFT1 curriculum plus intermediate fire behavior, firing operations, and followership to leadership (S-131, S-290, S-219, L-280)

<u>Resource Boss</u> – Crew/engine/heavy equipment boss curriculum plus WUI operations (S-230, S-231, S-236, S-215)

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The student is expected to take all the courses in the cohort and be there for the entire session. There will not be any a-la-carte course selection for the 10-day academies. We will refer you to our standalone course offerings for folks only needing individual classes throughout the year.

The academy sessions will be in a fire camp setting with tent camping, and a DNR kitchen will provide meals at no cost. Partner agencies will be responsible for their own staff's costs, such as transportation and salary/benefits while attending the academy session. Each session is 10 days long and does include one weekend.

If you have questions, contact Lois Anderson at <u>lois.anderson@dnr.wa.gov</u> or 360-999-8259.