

GIVE BACK TO COMMUNITIES

- You may find fulfillment in serving the communities DNR works in by providing wildfire suppression, assisting in the prevention of fire spread that has the potential to take life and damage property.
- Not only will you be tasked with wildfire suppression but DNR camp crews have assisted in other natural disasters such as flooding events by filling sand bags, and landslides assisting in cleanup efforts.
- Again, you will be providing services essential to the safety of Washington States communities.

INTERESTED?

If you feel this is an opportunity you are interested in, start by speaking with your Classification Counselor, You will also need to be eligible to be housed at one of three DNR Camp Facilities; Airway Heights MSU, Cedar Creek, or Olympic Corrections Center. A FRMT screening is also likely to be conducted to determine eligibility, working for DNR is a class IV job on an off site crew, and requires approval for a gate card.

If this career path is something you excel in, there is an additional DNR job opportunity, working directly for a DNR transition crew as a full time employee. This happens while being housed at a Reentry Center, gaining more experience working on a Wildfire Handcrew, with an end goal of gaining fulltime employment outside of DOC. There are additional requirements for eligibility.

For questions, message kiosk mailbox:
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BECOME A WILDLAND FIREFIGHTER WITH DNR IN COOPERATION WITH DOC



- Want to learn a new career as a Wildland Firefighter?
- How about earning good wages?
- Do you like working outdoors?
- Want to give back to communities?
- Think about working for DNR! A fulfilling job with good pay and a career opportunity!



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DNR TRAINING

- You will be required to go through and complete a DNR facilitated Wildfire Academy. This takes place over approximately three weeks, and you get paid \$1.00 an hour during training. The academy is 8 9 hours a day, 4 days a week. Your training will also be continued annually as re certification is required.
- You must also pass the Work Capacity Test, consisting of a three mile walk while wearing a 45 pound vest, completed in no more than 45 minutes. The physical test is to simulate working in arduous conditions and must be passed to become certified in Wildland Firefighting.
- You will also be trained in Silviculture work aspects, this requires you to work outdoors, in all conditions, year round on all terrain types.

How Much You Can Earn?

- While working in the field on projects such as tree thinning, chipping, or fuels reduction work, you can earn \$1.25 150 an hour, typically working nine hour days, four days a week.
- During fire season, and only while conducting forest fire suppression or working on a fire support crew, you must receive gratuity no less that the minimum wage per hour paid in the locality in which the industry is located.
- During fire season it's not uncommon to work seven days a week, and sometime 10 14 days in a row, depending on resource and fire needs. Fire season typically runs from June through September, although this is completely defined by weather patterns and behavior, sometimes the fire season can run longer, or shorter.



WORKING OUTDOORS

- DNR project work requires working outdoors, year round, in all weather types, and on all types of terrain. Work will be conducted in the rain, snow, in the heat, and cold.
- Work conducted outdoors includes and is not limited to; tree planting, pre-commercial thinning, fuels reduction, chipping, trail maintenance, slashing, brushing, nursery projects, fence building, trash/ litter pick up, wildfire suppression, and wildfire mop up procedures.
- You will also become proficient at utilizing different types of tools, such as chainsaws, brush hogs, handsaws, wildfire hand tools, and on occasion construction tools such as power drills, skill saws, and sawzalls.