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JOB CORPS CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CENTER

ADVANCED WILDLAND FIRE PROGRAM

APPLICATION - WEST

FS Job Corps CCC
Advanced Wildland Firefighter Program Application

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Program Overview

Eligibility:

- Completed Basic TAR
- Completed High School Diploma/High School Equivalency
- 18 years old by start of program
- Encouraged to have valid Driver's License
- 8-12 months of enrollment to complete certification program
- Personal savings/checking account
- Approved fire boots
- Current physical form
- Completed application
- You must complete Basic Trade 1 month prior to the start date of Advanced Trade you're applying to
- Students must travel from the sending center to the receiving center once they are accepted

Estimated Timeline:

December 15, 2026 - Collbran/Trapper/Columbia Job Corps Application Due
January 2027 - Collbran/Trapper/Columbia Notification/Acceptance Letters will be sent to individual students/Staff
February – March 2027 - Students will enter the Advanced Fire Management Program
December 2027 – March 2028 - Students will graduate

Training:

- Introduction/Orientation to Center Life
- Physical Training (PT)
- Ethics and Conduct for Crew life
- Expectations and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)
- Administratively Determined (AD) hiring forms (I-9, W-2/4 and Direct Deposit), New Employee form, and E-Medical
- FEMA IS-100- Intro to the Incident Command System
- FEMA IS-700-Intro to National Incident Management System
- Work Capacity Test (WCT) or "Pack Test"
- A-104-Overview of Aircraft Capabilities & Limitations*
- A-110-Aviation Transport of Hazmat*
- L-180-Human Factors in the Wildland Fire Service
- L-280-Followership to Leadership*
- S-130-Firefighter Training
- S-190-Intro to Wildland Fire Behavior
- S-211-Portable Pumps and Water Use
- S-212-Wildfire Chainsaws/S-112 or Agency equivalent chainsaw certificate
- First Aid/CPR
- S-219-Firing Operations*
- S-270-Basic Air Operations*
- PMS-419-Engine Operator*
- PMS-465-Tactical Suppression Reference*
- PMS-475-Basic Land Navigation

Additional Syllabus:
Extensive physical training, radio program and usage, aviation safety, weather observations and reporting, defensive driving, hand tool use, diet and exercise, leadership and team building, presentation and briefing skills, individual development plan, tactical decision scenarios, risk management, and more.

*Denotes additional optional training that students may receive.

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Point of Contact and Center Information:

Collbran Job Corps CCC
57608 Highway 330
Collbran, CO 81624
T: 970-487-3576
Fax: 970-487-3823

Collbran Job Corps
Application Due: 12/15/2026
Start Date: 2/2027

Christopher Watkins- Instructor
christopher.watkins@usda.gov;
970-487-2037

Brooke Bosman- AFMO
brooke.bosman@usda.gov
970-487-2043

Kerry Lucas, Liaison Spec
kerry.d.lucas@usda.gov
970-487-2060

Doug Satterfield- WPO
douglas.satterfield@usda.gov
970-487-2035

Health and Wellness Manager
Katy Sheffield
Sheffield.Katy@jobcorps.org
970-487-2021
970-487-3110 (fax)

Columbia Basin Job Corps CCC
6739 24th Ave NE
Moses Lake, WA 98837
T: 509-793-1629
Fax: 509-793-1758

Columbia Basin Job Corps
Application Due: 12/15/2026
Start Date: 3/2027

Scott Hunnicutt-Instructor
scott.hunnicutt@usda.gov
509-793-1643

Seth Missal- AFMO
seth.missal@usda.gov
509-630-1734

Starr Carroll, Counselor
starr.c.carroll@usda.gov
509-793-1638

Susan Mann, Liason Spec
susan.mann@usda.gov
509-793-1663

Jeff Hogan- WPO
jeffery.hogan@usda.gov
509-793-1641 x1641

Health and Wellness Manager
Michelle Ball
ball.michelle@jobcorps.org
509-793-1685
509-762-6737 (fax)

Trapper Creek Job Corps CCC
5139 West Fork Road
Darby, MT 59829
Tel.: 406-821-3286
Fax: 406-821-3290

Trapper Creek Job Corps
Application Due: 12/15/2026
Start Date: 3/2027

Dave McConathy-Instructor
david.mcconathy@usda.gov
720-394-9707

Craig McDonald- AFMO
craig.mcdonald@usda.gov
406-560-3227

Kris Johnson- WPO
Kristopher.johnson@usda.gov
406-381-7315

Registered Nurse
Jennifer Cassone
cassone.jennifer@jobcorps.org
406-821-2118

Traveling Nurse
Monique Murray
murray.monique@jobcorps.org
406-821-2135

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Application Instructions and Checklist

Work with your center VDS or CTS to complete the application. Please ensure all fields are completed legibly, and nothing is left blank. Include all documents that are listed on the checklist below. Electronic applications are preferred. **Late and incomplete packets will not be considered.**

Application Checklist:

- ☐ Complete student application
- ☐ Complete online Teams interview
- ☐ Approved fire boots
- ☐ Professional resume
- ☐ Student applicant Information
- ☐ Applicant's Autobiographical Sketch
- ☐ Career Technical Training Instructor's Recommendation
- ☐ Academic Teacher's Recommendation
- ☐ Residential Living Advisor's Recommendation
- ☐ Career Development Counselor's Recommendation
- ☐ Career Technical Training Manager's Recommendation
- ☐ Center Director's Recommendation

Center Documents:

- ☐ Job Corps Data Sheet, From ETA 652
- ☐ Student Profile, From ETA 6-40
- ☐ Student Conduct Report
- ☐ Profile Case Notes
- ☐ Copy of High School Diploma/High School Equivalency
- ☐ Copy of State Issued Driver's License or State Real ID Card
- ☐ TABE Diagnostic Sheet
- ☐ Trade Training Certifications

Medical:

- ☐ Health & Wellness Checklist
- ☐ Copy of recent physical (within the last 90 days) in an envelope
- ☐ Student Transfer Summary Form
- ☐ **All Medical Files MAILED separately to the HEALTH SERVICES receiving Center's Medical Facility**
  - ✓ **In a separate, sealed envelope or fax with the following clearly marked: CONFIDENTIAL – HEALTH SERVICES, Name, CIS Student ID Number, and Date**
  - ✓ **Or by email to Wellness Director, email to and from a Job Corps email- jobcorps.org**

Fire Documents (If Applicable):

- ☐ JC AFMO Letter of Certification
- ☐ Fitness test results
- ☐ Red card
- ☐ IQCS Master Record
- ☐ Responder is set to INAC in IQCS

Fire Application Submission

Completed application can be emailed to:

Collbran Job Corps
Kerry Lucas, Liaison Spec
kerry.d.lucas@usda.gov

Columbia Basin Job Corps
Starr Carroll- VDS
starr.c.carroll@usda.gov

Trapper Creek Job Corps
David Mcconathy-Instructor
David.mcconathy@usda.gov

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Student Applicant Information

Name: _____ Job Corps Student ID: _____
Home Address: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Date of Birth: _____Age: _____
Valid Driver's License: ☐ Yes ☐ No State Issued:_____
Other Real ID: ☐ Yes ☐ No State Issued:_____

Current Center Information:

Current Job Corps Center: _____
Address:_____
Date Enrolled: _____ Date of Completion: _____
CTT: _____ CTT Instructor Name: _____
Phone (with extension): _____Instructor Email: _____
Certifications Earned:

Center Staff Contact Name: _____ Title: _____
Phone (with extension): _____
Center Staff Email: _____

Emergency Contact Information:

Emergency Contact Name: _____Relationship: _____
Phone: _____
Do you have allergies: ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, please list:

Fire Information if Applicable:

IQCS Account Manager Name: _____
Phone:_____ Email:_____
Coordination Center:_____
Currently Red Carded: ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, expiration date:_____
IQCS Profile: ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, Employee ID (from Red Card):_____
CPR/1st Aid Qualification: ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, expiration date:_____
Chainsaw Qualification: ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, expiration date:_____
BLM Fitness Challenge: ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, what the score:_____

* If yes to any item above, include all documentation with this application.

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Applicant's Autobiographical Sketch

Applicant Name: _____

Tell us about yourself, what you can contribute to the Advanced Fire Management Training Program and what you want to gain out of your experience if selected. You may use this page or attach a separate page.

_____

Applicant's Signature & Date

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Career Technical Training Instructor's Recommendation

Applicant Name: _____

CTT: _____

CTT Instructor: _____ Phone: _____

We are requesting your assistance in the selection of students for the Advance Fire Management Training Programs. These programs are designed for students who wish to pursue a career in Fire Management with the US Forest Service or other federal agencies.

Please rate the applicant on a scale of 1 to 10, 10 being exceptional:

Personal Conduct and Professionalism	
Physical Ability	
Communication	
Attitude	
Teamwork	
Duties and Responsibilities	
Productivity	
Work Ethic	
Initiative	
Integrity	

Detailed Narrative:

_____

CTT Instructor's Signature & Date

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Academic Teacher's Recommendation

Applicant Name: _____

CTT: _____

Teacher Name: _____ Phone: _____

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Communication	
Attitude	
Teamwork	
Duties and Responsibilities	
Productivity	
Work Ethic	
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Integrity	

TABE Scores	
TABE Level	
Math	
Reading	
Cumulative Score	0

Detailed Narrative:

_____

Signature & Date

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Residential Living Advisor's Recommendation

Applicant Name: _____

CTT: _____

Residential Advisor Name: _____ Phone: _____

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Physical Ability	
Communication	
Attitude	
Teamwork	
Duties and Responsibilities	
Productivity	
Work Ethic	
Initiative	
Integrity	

Detailed Narrative:

_____

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Career Development Counselor's Recommendation

Applicant Name: _____

CTT: _____

Counselor Name: _____ Phone: _____

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Communication	
Attitude	
Teamwork	
Duties and Responsibilities	
Productivity	
Work Ethic	
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Integrity	

Detailed Narrative:

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Career Technical Training Manager's Recommendation

Applicant Name: _____

CTT: _____

WPO Name: _____ Phone: _____

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Personal Conduct and Professionalism	
Physical Ability	
Communication	
Attitude	
Teamwork	
Duties and Responsibilities	
Productivity	
Work Ethic	
Initiative	
Integrity	

Detailed Narrative:

_____

Signature & Date

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Center Director's Recommendation

Applicant Name: _____

Center Director Name: _____

Please share any thoughts and comments about the individual submitting this application to the Advanced Fire Training Programs.

_____

Signature & Date

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JC AFMO Letter of Certification

In the absence of a JC AFMO, a Center Director may certify.

I,_____, recommend and have verified that this applicant is a qualified candidate for the Advanced Fire Training Programs. The applicant is in good standing with their current center, is currently in excellent physical fitness performance, and exemplifies good character. I understand by recommending an unqualified applicant that I hold accountability for their actions and future applicants may be denied acceptance.

Applicants' fitness test results within the last 30 days:

1.5 Mile run time..... ☐

Pushups (60 seconds) .... ☐

Pull ups (60 seconds) ..... ☐

Sit ups (60 seconds) ..... ☐

_____
Signature

Name:_____

Title:_____

Phone:_____

Email:_____