



Training Announcement

CFMC Cultural Burn Training Exchange - Weitchpec, CA

TENTATIVE DATES (subject to permits and weather)

TREX #1 Sept. 1 – 7, 2024

TREX #2 Sept. 22 – 28 2024

Objectives: Provide prescribed fire training opportunities to fire practitioners while supporting management of cultural resources. This training will incorporate knowledge from the native tribes of Northern California and develop understanding about traditional and contemporary use of prescribed fire.

Target Group: Prescribed fire and wildfire personnel, including federal, state, tribal, and non-governmental agencies, private practitioners and university faculty and students

Registration Fee: The fee is \$300. The fee for university students is \$100. Waivers are available for participants who bring equipment (e.g. engines). Please note that participants are expected to stay the entire 7 days of TREX.

Description: The training is organized as a RXB2 organization under the National Incident Management System. Participants will serve in NWCG qualified and trainee firefighting positions on a burn team and will assist with preparing, scouting, briefing, igniting, holding, mop-up, and patrol on numerous controlled burns in the area. We will also complete pre- and post-fire monitoring, train with equipment, practice fire line leadership skills, and learn about local fire ecology and fire management.

Requirements:

1. Minimum qualifications: current **NWCG-FFT2**, or have **completed NWCG courses** S130, S190, L180, ICS 100b, I700A. Contact Juniper Somers, CFMC (juniper@culturalfire.org) for more information on these trainings.
2. Participants must complete an **arduous pack test** within the past year.
3. Participants must have health **insurance** which will cover personal injury (e.g., workers' comp, health or travel insurance) they may sustain during the training exchange;
4. Participants must bring **fire-approved boots** (all leather, 8-inches tall, Vibram soles, with no steel toe) and **all appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**, including: a Next Generation Fire Shelter, a hard hat, Nomex clothing, all leather gloves, eye protection and canteens for up to 1 gallon of drinking water. If you do not have proper PPE, please let us know by indicating your needs on the application.

Meals & Travel: Participants are required to bring their own tents, pads and sleeping bags. Bathrooms, showers and indoor meeting space with internet will be available. Meals will be provided. Please let us know if you have food restrictions!

Registration: To apply, complete **one** of the registration forms & submit to Margo Robbins (margo@culturalfire.org) no later than August 1, 2024. **Please only apply to 1 of the TREX events.**

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