

WORKSITE WILDFIRE PREVENTION, PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

Who: Silviculture and Wildfire Contractors, Supervisors, Crew Leaders and Senior Crewmembers. To encourage and facilitate participation in the interactive sessions registration will be held to approximately 20 people per session.

What: The annual wildfire review as required by Worksafe BC and the BC Wildfire Service (BCWS) with a focus on preventing, preparing for and responding safely to worksite wildfires.

To meet BCWS and Worksafe requirements for training to an “acceptable standard”... all workers are required to have completed the full BCWS S100 course. Documentation verifying attendance in this session will be issued. No proof of previous training will be required. It will remain the contractor’s responsibility to ensure their employees have received the full S100 to the current standards.

Where: On line webinar via Zoom

When: Tues Feb 9. 0800-1000
 1030-1230
 1300-1500
 1530-1730

Note: Other sessions can be arranged

Why: More often forestry operations are being conducted in areas with elevated fuel loads and in closer proximity to communities, structures and other high value improvements. Weather favorable to fire ignition and increased behavior is occurring earlier and later in the field season. Wildfire season is now considered to be anytime the ground is snow free. In recent years several costly and high profile wildfires have occurred in early spring.

If a contractor cannot prove their due diligence in preventing, preparing for and responding to a wildfire on their worksite they may be in line for substantial penalties, determinations and civil liability. Even if Due Diligence can be proven lost production, equipment damage and time spent in any investigations will be costly. Prevention is paramount.

The BCWS S100 course is an introductory course directed at workers likely to be working under the supervision of BCWS staff. If other wildfires are occurring in the area of a worksite BCWS assistance may be directed to other higher value incidents. Contractors and their crews may be responsible for fire suppression activities on a worksite wildfire for considerable lengths of time.

Cost: \$50.00 + GST per person billable to the company at time of registration.

How: Contractors, please use the form on the next page and return their list of attendees with company name and billing info, each attendee’s email address, mobile phone number and the time slot desired to macforserv@gmail.com by Feb. 5, 2021. I will return an invite to the webinar. To encourage participation in the interactive exercises it is preferred that all attendees from each contractor attend the same session.

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Feb. 9, 2021

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<u>Attendee Name</u>	<u>Email</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Time Slot Preferred</u>

Total # Attendees _____ x \$50.00 = _____ (sub-total) + GST = _____ Total owed