

PRE-REQUISITES:

The EFS has no formal prerequisites. A standard one to two-day First Aid course is required as a co-requisite to the Electrofishing Certification training.

PERSONAL EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS:

Course participants are required to provide their own personal protective equipment. For further information, please contact NRTG.

COURSE FEES:

Course fees will vary by course delivery location. For further information, please contact NRTG.

HOW DO I ATTEND?

The EFS is available via our website schedule, or on contract to community groups. The EFS is regularly scheduled for community-based deliveries throughout the year (providing suitable weather). Interested groups or organizations can also arrange for an 'in-house' or contract delivery of the EFS. In either scenario, contact NRTG for further information.

If you would like to have the EFS delivered to your group or community, please consider the following:

- 1) Contact us well in advance of your preferred course start date,
- 2) Identify and secure program funding (if applicable)
- 3) Recruit sufficient number of course participants (most NRTG courses have minimum enrollments of 8-10 participants)
- 4) Coordinate course participant equipment, classroom facility, and contractual agreement with NRTG.



TESTIMONIALS:

"The instructor and program were amazing." **Tyrell Worrell, Biologist**

"Really enjoyed the course and your fabulous teaching skills. I was telling a lot of folks how great a teacher you are!" **Shawna Wilkinson, Parks Ranger**

"Course and instructor was fantastic!" **Steve Jennings, Natural Resource Manager**

"Very practical course, great instructor. One of the best courses I've ever taken." **Matt Joyce, Biologist**

"Great course, great instructor." **Lana Miller, Habitat Biologist**

"By far the most interesting and engaging course." **Dr. Martin Poesch**

"Fantastic instructor; encouraging and enthusiastic. Not in the least bit intimidating. The course was excellent!" **Justin Hanisch, Biologist**

"Everything was great – superb instructor!" **Katherine Taylor, Project Scientist**

"Great instructor, great class and field components. In my mind, the course was perfect!" **Ken Meeks, Biologist**



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**ENVIRONMENTAL FIELD SKILLS
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ENVIRONMENTAL FIELD SKILLS PROGRAM (EFS)

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The Environmental Field Skills Program (EFS) is a leading edge field based Environmental skills training certificate program. The EFS is delivered on-demand, in communities throughout North America, utilizing local sites and watersheds as the 'classroom'.

The 120-hour (three-week) EFS provides course participants with high-quality, in-demand field skills. EFS 'graduates' are qualified to conduct environmental monitoring and assessment of mining, hydro-electric, oil & gas, forestry, road construction, and other natural resource-related programs and projects.

The EFS provides participants with valuable skills and knowledge in environmental monitoring, vegetation, wildlife, soil, aquatic, and fish and fish habitat assessment. Participants also complete a backpack Electrofishing certification program. Instruction is almost exclusively field-based, where students learn skills and procedures from industry-leading instructors

OBJECTIVE:

The EFS meets the increasing demand for qualified, skilled, and certified environmental field technicians. Graduates of this program can perform environmental monitoring and assessments directly or as an Assistant to professional biologists, engineers, hydrologists, and other environmental professionals. Upon successful completion, participants will be qualified and able to:

- Observe, record and report environmental field data
- Conduct standard environmental assessments and inventories for: air, water, plants and trees, wildlife, fish, and soil
- Operate, calibrate and maintain a wide variety of environmental field equipment and 'tools'
- Identify and classify types of vegetation, wildlife, fish and soils
- Conduct water quality and field hydrology procedures
- Identify and interpret environmental field conditions
- Identify site impact, and develop and implement site rehabilitation procedures
- Conduct erosion and sediment control measures
- Isolate an instream construction project and conduct a fish salvage
- Conduct backpack electrofishing surveys

COURSE FORMAT:

The 120-hour (three-week) Environmental Field Skills Program is delivered Monday to Friday, over three consecutive weeks. The daily format is typically an 8-hour session, delivered almost entirely in realistic field conditions. The EFS delivery 'season' will vary by region, as the program requires suitable field conditions (leaves on trees, unfrozen soil and water, etc.).

WHO ENROLLS IN THE EFS?

Course participants typically include; existing environmental technicians, Aboriginal stakeholders, resource workers, individuals new to the industry, and environmental or natural resource graduates of related programs.

About NRTG:

Natural Resources Training Group (NRTG) is a privately-registered training agency specializing in developing and delivering quality 'hands-on', fisheries and natural resource-related training programs. We deliver our short, applied 'professional development' programs to industry professionals, stakeholders, and aboriginal groups in communities throughout North America.

NRTG staff include recognized leaders in training, program development, and the natural resource sectors. Our staff provide 30+ years and 10,000 hours of instruction, program development and industry experience as instructors and educators, managers, consultants, and practitioners.

NRTG programs reflect our knowledge and experience, where you gain valuable, in-demand, and practical skills and abilities. NRTG courses and programs fast-track your career by offering skills training that would take years of industry experience to acquire.

Join 14,000 satisfied past students, and let our industry experience and training expertise work for you.

