

**YAKAMA NATION HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
JOB ANNOUNCEMENT**



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Fuels Crew Boss
Fuels Management
Department of Natural Resources
Hourly Wage: \$15.29/Regular/Furlough/Supervisory

Position functions under the Yakama Nation (YN), Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Fire Management and Fuels Management Program. The primary responsibilities include being a lead member of a crew performing a variety of hazardous fuels reduction activities and restoration of fire adapted ecosystems. Incumbent will participate in data collection, timber stand improvement (slashing/pre-commercial thinning), utilization of GPS, GIS maps, IPAD, and Avenza. Incumbent will contribute to the manual fuels treatment, burn unit prep; fire operations, mop up, monitoring, search and rescue, tree planting, fuels reduction, maintenance and repair of Fuels/Fire tools, equipment, supplies, vehicles and facilities along with providing assistance to the Yakama Nation community.

Examples of Work Performed:

- Primary Responsibilities include being a lead member of a crew performing a variety of hazardous fuels reduction activities and restoration of fire adapted ecosystems. The projects may include, but are not limited to the following: thinning of timber, woodlands or shrubs with chainsaws, utilizing prescribed fire to reduce fuels, piling and chipping of slash, chemical application to undesirable fuels, monitoring pre and post fire effects, and fire suppression. The fuels crew boss is skilled in using chainsaws and variety of hand tools, i.e. Pulaski's, shovels, McLeod's, power tools, portable pumps to control prescribed fire and/or to prepare control lines prior to burning.
- Participates in wildfire suppression and pre-suppression activities. Attends various fire and fuels training courses.
- Moves dirt, chops brush, small trees to construct control lines using various hand tools. Patrols prescribed fire line, locates, extinguish sparks, flare ups, and hotspot fires that may threaten control lines.
- Participates in safe techniques, practices, and methods of prescribed fire/fire suppression and the safe use of tools, equipment and vehicles used in prescribed fire and wildland fire activities. Must participate in crew proficiency checks, drills, safety sessions and After Action Reviews (AAR). Ensures own and other welfare and safety in all aspects of project and assignments.
- Will supervise approximately 5-12 crew member employees, issues daily work assignments, and keeps track of time and attendance.
- Assisting the Fuels Technicians and crewmembers in collecting data relating to Fuel Projects and compile various resource data. Any task will be asked of the incumbent to perform whether it's Fuels/Fire related or non-fire related.
- Other duties as assigned.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- Knowledge and ability to perform standard First Aid procedures.
- Knowledge of Fuels Management ensures safety precautions are used while performing the manual and mechanical fuels reductions, prescribed burning and timber stand improvement.
- Knowledge of data collections, procedures and ability to interpret, analyze, and summarize data is helpful but can be learned on the job.
- Knowledge of Forest Management practices on the Yakama Reservation, including both even and uneven-aged management practices.
- Ability to perform arduous work involving considerable physical effort, stamina and exposure to various weather conditions and extreme temperatures.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships.

Minimum Requirements:

- Incumbent must have minimum of one year of Forestry, Fuels, or Fire Technician experience.
- Incumbent must have a minimum of three years wildland firefighting experience.
- Must be physically fit and able to work outdoors in adverse weather conditions.
- Required to pass pre-employment drug test.
- Must be able to pass the National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) national standard fitness pack test for arduous duty and mandatory firefighting training.
- Must be willing to participate in Prescribed Fire Operations and Wildland Fire Suppression in a variety of roles, including night and weekend activities.
- Enrolled Yakama preference, but all qualified applicants are encouraged to apply.

Preferred Requirements:

- Must possess a valid Washington State Driver's License with the ability to obtain a Yakama Nation Tribal Driving Permit is preferred, but not required.