2025 Wildland Fire Training Schedule for the WFA

S-290, Intermediate Fire Behavior (Max Class Size 20)

Date: 1/13/2025 - 1/16/2025 (37 hour course: 32 instructor-led training hours, 5 hours pre-course work)

Time: 0800 - 1700 Daily Instructor(s): TBA Registration:

 $\underline{https://www.eventbrite.com/e/s-290-intermediate-wildland-fire-behavior-tickets-996357972517?aff=0ddtdtcreator}$

Notes: Pre-course work. Provided by instructor(s).

Course Description: S-290 is available via two delivery methods (online and ILT), either of which is sufficient for student completion. This is a classroom-based skills course designed to prepare the prospective fire line supervisor to undertake safe and effective fire management operations. It is the second course in a series that collectively serves to develop fire behavior prediction knowledge and skills. Fire environment differences are discussed as necessary; instructor should stress local conditions.

FI-110, Wildland Fire Observations and Origin Scene Protection for First Responders (Max Class

Size 25)

Date: 1/27/2025 (6 hour instructor-led course)

Time: 0800 - 1700 Instructor(s): TBA Registration:

 $\underline{https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fi-110-wildland-fire-observations-origin-scene-prot-for-first-resp-tick}\\ets-996366136937?aff=oddtdtcreator$

Notes: No pre-course work.

Course Description: The primary emphasis of this course is to teach sound wildland fire observations and origin scene protection practices that enable first responders to a wildland fire scene to perform proper origin scene protection procedures. The course is presented by short lectures, electronic presentations, exercises, and class discussion.

L-280, Followership to Leadership (Max Class Size 20)

Date: 1/31/2025 - 2/2/2025 (20 hour course: 16 instructor-led training hours, 4 hours pre-course work)

Time: 1800 - 2200, Friday 0800 - 1700, Saturday 0800 - 1200, Sunday

Instructor(s): TBA **Registration:**

 $\underline{https://www.eventbrite.com/e/l-280-followership-to-leadership-tickets-996372646407?aff=oddtdtcreator}$

Notes: Pre-course work. Students must read <u>Leading in the Wildland Fire Service</u>, <u>PMS 494-2</u>, as the pre-course work prior to attending the course. Follow the above link to order the materials.

Course Description: This training course is designed as a self-assessment opportunity for individuals preparing to step into a leadership role. The course combines one day of classroom instruction followed by a second day in the field with students working through a series of problem-solving events in small teams (Field Leadership Assessment Course). Topics include leadership values and principles, transition challenges for new leaders, situational leadership, team cohesion factors, ethical decision-making, and after-action review techniques. Some course delivery may be arduous in nature.

S-390, Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior Calculations (Max Class Size 20)

Date: 2/10/2025 - 2/13/2025 (42-44 hour course: 32 instructor-led training hours, 10-12 hours

pre-course work) Time: 0800 - 1700 Daily Instructor(s): TBA Registration:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/s-390-intro-to-wildland-fire-behavior-calculations-tickets-9963947224 37?aff=oddtdtcreator

Notes: Pre-course work. This instructor-led course has pre-course work (estimate 8-10 hours) and a pre-selection assessment (estimate 2 hours). The pre-course work and test are available in the NWCG Wildland Fire Learning Portal (WFLP). Log on as a guest to search for this course or go directly to https://wildlandfirelearningportal.net/course/view.php?id=983.

Course Description: This course is designed to introduce fire behavior calculations by manual methods, using nomograms and the Fireline Handbook Appendix B: Fire Behavior, PMS 410-2. Students gain an understanding of the determinants of fire behavior though studying inputs (weather, slope, fuels, and fuel moisture). Students also learn how to interpret fire behavior outputs, documentation processes, and fire behavior briefing components.

L-380, Fireline Leadership (Max Class Size 20)

Date: 2/24/2025 - 2/27/2025 (40 hour course: 32 instructor-led training hours, 8 hours pre-course work)

Time: 0800 - 1700 Daily Instructor(s): TBA **Registration:**

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/l-380-fireline-leadership-tickets-996400048367?aff=oddtdtcreator

Notes: Pre-course work. Provided by instructor(s).

Course Description: L-380 is targeted at leaders whose decisions have immediate consequences in dynamic, high-risk environments. The intent is to provide small unit supervisors with the tools to build and maintain effective and cohesive crews/teams. Beyond a set of tools and techniques, this training experience should be designed to make an emotional and lasting impact. Essential guiding principles for achieving this impact include enhancing the students' understanding of the human dimension when leading others in dynamic work environments; utilizing experiential training techniques that will engage students in ways that challenge them to perform under realistic and high-stress situations; and motivating students to examine their role, strengths, and weaknesses as a leader.

S-330, Strike Team / Task Force Leader (Max Class Size 25)

Date: 3/10/2025 - 3/12/2025 (21-22.5 hour course: 19-20.5 hours Instructor-led training hours, 2 hours

pre-course work)

Time: 0800 - 1700 Daily Instructor(s): TBA

Registration:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/s-330-task-forcestrike-team-leader-tickets-996554741057

Notes: Pre-course work.

1. Read the publication <u>Leading in the Wildland Fire Service</u>, <u>PMS 494-2</u>.

2. Go to the Wildland Fire Leadership Development Program website. At the bottom of the homepage, you will see the WFLDP Blog: "Wildland Fire Leadership" (also available directly at http://wildlandfireleadership.blogspot.com/. Click on Labels and read about a topic that interests you.

3. Complete the <u>pre-selection assessment</u> (pre-course quiz) and submit as directed by your instructor or course coordinator. You must obtain a score of 70% or higher to be admitted into the course.

Course Description: This course is designed to meet the training requirements outlined in <u>NIMS:</u> <u>Wildland Fire Qualification System Guide, PMS 310-1</u> and the position task books developed for the positions of Task Force Leader and Strike Team Leader. Most examples and exercises in this package are specific to wildland fire suppression, although some all-hazards exercises are included.

S-339, Division / Group Supervisor (Max Class Size 25)

Date: 3/17/2025 - 3/19/2025 (22-28 hour course: 18-20 hours instructor-led training hours, 4-8 hours

pre-course work)

Time: 0800 - 1700 Daily Instructor(s): TBA Registration:

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Notes: Pre-course work. The pre-course work is a professional reading assignment. Students are required to buy and read the material in advance of the instructor-led portion of S-339. The Cadre will lead a discussion based upon information found in the book. This information will coincide with the learning objectives for this course. Students will be called upon individually or in group format in order to render opinions based on the following reading: *The Mission, the Men, and Me: Lessons from a former Delta Force Commander* (New York: Dutton Caliber; 2008), Pete Blaber

Course Description: This course prepares students to perform in the role of Division/Group Supervisor (DIVS). It provides instruction in support of the specific tasks of the Division/Group Supervisor, but will not instruct students in general management/supervision or in the Incident Command System (ICS), both of which the student should learn through prerequisite work. Topics include division or group management, organizational interaction, division operations, all-hazard operations, and tactical decision games (optional). The pre-course work consists of a professional reading assignment that can take from four to eight hours to complete. There is a final examination in this course.

L-381, Incident Leadership (Max Class Size 20)

Date: 3/31/2025 - 4/3/2025 (40 hour course, 32 instructor-led training hours, 8 hours pre-course work)

Time: 0800 - 1700 Daily Instructor(s): TBA Registration:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/l-381-incident-leadership-tickets-996575463037?aff=oddtdtcreator

Notes: Pre-course work. Provided by instructor(s).

Course Description: L-381 is targeted at leaders of divisions, groups, or Type 3 incidents. The intent of the course is to provide these individuals with the leadership tools to effectively exert command and control over a quickly assembled team in a time-constrained and rapidly changing incident environment. Beyond a set of tools and techniques, this training experience should be designed to make an emotional and lasting impact. Essential guiding principles for achieving this impact include enhancing the students' understanding of the human dimension when leading others in dynamic work environments; utilizing experiential training techniques that will engage students in ways that challenge them to perform under realistic and high-stress situations; and motivating students to examine their role, strengths, and weaknesses in that role.

S-190, Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior (Max Class Size 30)

Date: 4/14/2025 (7 hour instructor-led course)

Time: 0800 - 1700 Instructor(s): TBA Registration:

 $\frac{https://www.eventbrite.com/e/l-180s-190s-130-basic-wildland-firefighter-training-tickets-996601019}{477?aff=oddtdtcreator}$

Notes: No pre-course work.

Course Description: This is the first and foundational wildland fire behavior course in a five-course sequence in the NWCG curriculum. It introduces students to the basic concepts of wildland fire behavior, including:

- The primary wildland fire environment components: fuels, weather, and topography.
- How characteristics and interactions of fuels, weather, and topography affect fire behavior.
- How fire behavior affects risk to firefighters.

S-130, Firefighter Training (Max Class Size 30)

Date: 4/15/2025 - 4/18/2025 (29 hour instructor-led course)

Time: 0800 - 1700, Tuesday – Thursday

0800 - 1200, Friday

Instructor(s): TBA Registration:

Notes: Pre-course work. Provided by instructor(s).

Course Description: The intent of this course is to train new firefighters in basic firefighting skills. This includes a required field exercise that may be arduous in nature. S-190, Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior is a prerequisite and must have been successfully completed prior to taking the S-130, Firefighter Training course.

L-180, Human Factors in the Wildland Fire Service (Max Class Size 30)

Date: 4/18/2025 (4 hour instructor-led course)

Time: 1300 - 1700 Instructor(s): TBA Registration:

Notes: No pre-course work.

Course Description: This training course is designed for unit-level supervisors to use when delivering orientation training to new crew members. Presentation of the course involves a few short lecture segments, but the primary content is delivered by video and supported with small group exercises. Topics include situational awareness, basic communication responsibilities, attitude and stress barriers, decision-making process, and teamwork principles.

To look at all offered courses:

https://www.eventbrite.com/o/wyoming-fire-academy-wildland-14980813739