

File: 140-03/Grants of Statutory Authority 2024

Re: Designations under the *Wildfire Act* and *Wildfire Regulation*

The persons listed by title in the attached Designations under the *Wildfire Act* and *Wildfire Regulation* are designated as officials for the purposes of the provision specified opposite that title.

This memorandum revokes and replaces the previous Designations under the *Wildfire Act* and *Wildfire Regulation* signed by the Director of Corporate Governance, BC Wildfire Service, and dated June 8, 2017.



Minister of Forests
(or authorized signatory)

June 14, 2024

Date

Richard Manwaring
Deputy Minister

Printed Name and Title
(if authorized signatory)

Attachments:

1. Designations under the *Wildfire Act* and *Wildfire Regulation*, June 2024

**DESIGNATIONS UNDER THE *WILDFIRE ACT* AND *WILDFIRE REGULATION*
JUNE 2024**

A reference to a person by position in the table below includes a person acting in that position.

All references are to staff in BC Wildfire Service

<i>WILDFIRE ACT</i>		
Topic	Section	Designation
Part 1 – Forest and Range Protection Requirements		
Official relieves a person in writing from continuing fire control	6 (3)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Superintendent, Response Provincial Wildfire Coordination Officer Regional Wildfire Coordination Officer Zone Wildfire Coordination Officer Response Officer Incident Commander Unit Crew Supervisor Unit Crew Leader Initial Attack Crew Leader
Official may order fire hazard abatement	7 (3)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager
Part 2 – Authority of Government for Fire Prevention and Fire Control		
Official considers that a fire endangers life or threatens forest land or grass land	9 (1)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Superintendent, Response Superintendent, Aviation Provincial Wildfire Coordination Officer Regional Wildfire Coordination Officer Zone Wildfire Coordination Officer Response Officer Air Attack Officer Incident Commander Unit Crew Supervisor Unit Crew Leader Initial Attack Crew Leader Fire Crew Member
Official may restrict or prohibit open fire	10 (1) (a)	Director, Fire Centre Operations Director, Provincial Operations Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Business Manager

***WILDFIRE ACT* AND *WILDFIRE REGULATION* DESIGNATION MATRIX**

WILDFIRE ACT		
Topic	Section	Designation
Official may require persons using open fire(s) to cease doing so and to extinguish open fire(s)	10 (1) (b)	Director, Fire Centre Operations Director, Provincial Operations Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Business Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Response Officer Incident Commander Unit Crew Supervisor Unit Crew Leader Initial Attack Crew Leader Fire Crew Member
Official authorizes a person to remain in or enter a restricted area	11 (2) (a)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Business Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Provincial Wildfire Coordination Officer Regional Wildfire Coordination Officer Zone Wildfire Coordination Officer Response Officer Incident Commander Operations Section Chief
Official may require all persons to leave a specified area	13 (1)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Business Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Provincial Wildfire Coordination Officer Regional Wildfire Coordination Officer Zone Wildfire Coordination Officer Response Officer Incident Commander Unit Crew Supervisor Unit Crew Leader Initial Attack Crew Leader Fire Crew Member

WILDFIRE ACT		
Topic	Section	Designation
Official may hire temporary employees	15 (1)	Manager, Corporate Wildfire Services Manager, Finance and Corporate Admin Manager, Provincial Equipment Depots Manager, Provincial Operations Business Manager Services Officer Provincial Procurement Officer
Official may authorize temporary employee to exercise specified powers	15 (4)	Director, Corporate Governance Director, Fire Centre Operations Director, Provincial Operations Manager, Provincial Operations Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager
Official may requisition facilities, equipment or personnel	16 (1)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Business Manager Manager, Corporate Wildfire Services Manager, Finance and Corporate Admin Manager, Provincial Equipment Depots Manager, Provincial Operations Provincial Wildfire Coordination Officer Regional Wildfire Coordination Officer Zone Wildfire Coordination Officer
Part 3 – Administrative Remedies and Cost Recovery		
Division 1 – Rights of Entry, Inspection, Examination and Analysis		
Official may enter on land or premises to administer or enforce the Act or the Regulation	19 (1)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Response Officer Incident Commander Unit Crew Supervisor Unit Crew Leader Initial Attack Crew Leader Fire Crew Member Superintendent Wildfire Prevention and Enforcement Fire Origin and Cause Specialist

WILDFIRE ACT		
Topic	Section	Designation
Official may enter on land to inspect for fire hazards	19 (2)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Response Officer Incident Commander Superintendent, Fuels Management Wildfire Prevention Officer Superintendent, Wildfire Rehabilitation Wildfire Rehabilitation Coordinator
Official may stop and inspect a vehicle or vessel	21	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Response Officer Incident Commander Superintendent Wildfire Prevention and Enforcement Fire Origin and Cause Specialist
Official may request proof of identity or a record from a person inspected	22 (3)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Response Officer Incident Commander Unit Crew Supervisor Unit Crew Leader Initial Attack Crew Leader Fire Crew Member Superintendent, Fuels Management Wildfire Prevention Officer Superintendent Wildfire Prevention and Enforcement Fire Origin and Cause Specialist Superintendent, Wildfire Rehabilitation Wildfire Rehabilitation Coordinator

WILDFIRE ACT		
Topic	Section	Designation
Division 2 – Cost Recovery and Administrative Remedies		
Official may issue stop work order	34 (1)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Response Officer Incident Commander Unit Crew Supervisor Unit Crew Leader Initial Attack Crew Leader Superintendent, Wildfire Rehabilitation Wildfire Rehabilitation Coordinator
Part 5 – General		
Division 2 – Powers of the Minister		
Official may enter into agreements	60	ADM Executive Director Director, Corporate Governance Director, Fire Centre Operations Director, Provincial Operations Director, Strategic Engagement and Partnerships
Part 7 – Regulations		
Official may exempt a person from all or part of the Regulation and may specify conditions or alternative requirements (see also section 25 of the Regulation)	72 (3)	Director, Fire Centre Operations Director, Provincial Operations Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager

WILDFIRE REGULATION		
Topic	Section	Designation
Part 2 – Fire Prevention		
Division 1 – Precautions		
Person must provide official with 24 hour a day contact number	4	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer
Person must provide official with annual schedule of proposed rail grinding work	9	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer
Division 2 – Fire Hazard Assessment and Abatement		
Official notifies person that a fire hazard exists at the site of the industrial activity or prescribed operation	11 (1) (b)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Response Officer Superintendent, Fuels Management Wildfire Prevention Officer
Official may request a copy of a fire hazard assessment	11 (4)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Response Officer Incident Commander Superintendent, Fuels Management Wildfire Prevention Officer
Part 3 – Fire Control		
Official approves site rehabilitation plan	16 (b)	Director, Wildfire Land-Based Recovery Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager
Part 4 – Permissible Open Fires		
Official relieves a person from continuing fire control (outdoor stoves)	19 (4)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Superintendent, Response Provincial Wildfire Coordination Officer Regional Wildfire Coordination Officer Zone Wildfire Coordination Officer Response Officer Incident Commander

WILDFIRE REGULATION		
Topic	Section	Designation
Official relieves a person from continuing fire control (Category 1 campfire)	20 (4)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Superintendent, Response Provincial Wildfire Coordination Officer Regional Wildfire Coordination Officer Zone Wildfire Coordination Officer Response Officer Incident Commander
Official relieves a person from continuing fire control (Category 2 open fire)	21 (4)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Superintendent, Response Provincial Wildfire Coordination Officer Regional Wildfire Coordination Officer Zone Wildfire Coordination Officer Response Officer Incident Commander
Official may request documentation of the actions taken to confirm extinguishment	22 (2.1)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Response Officer Incident Commander
Official relieves a person from continuing fire control (Category 3 open fire)	22 (5)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Superintendent, Response Provincial Wildfire Coordination Officer Regional Wildfire Coordination Officer Zone Wildfire Coordination Officer Response Officer Incident Commander
Official may approve in writing a burn plan	23 (1) (c)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Wildfire Officer

WILDFIRE REGULATION		
Topic	Section	Designation
Official relieves a person from continuing fire control (Category 4 resource management open fire)	23 (5)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Superintendent, Response Provincial Wildfire Coordination Officer Regional Wildfire Coordination Officer Zone Wildfire Coordination Officer Response Officer Incident Commander
Official may request other information relating to the proposed open fire	24 (1)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant
Official may assign a burn registration number and specify date open fire must be extinguished	24 (2)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician
Official may request a person's burn registration number	24 (3)	Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager Senior Wildfire Officer Wildfire Officer Wildfire Technician Wildfire Assistant Superintendent, Response Provincial Wildfire Coordination Officer Regional Wildfire Coordination Officer Zone Wildfire Coordination Officer Response Officer Incident Commander Unit Crew Supervisor Unit Crew Leader Initial Attack Crew Leader
Part 5 - Exemptions		
Official may exempt a person from section 5, 6 or 7 of the <i>Wildfire Act</i>	26 (1)	Director, Fire Centre Operations Director, Provincial Operations Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager
Official may make exemption subject to conditions	26 (2)	Director, Fire Centre Operations Director, Provincial Operations Fire Centre Manager Deputy Fire Centre Manager