

# Southern Rockies Wildland Fire Module 2011 Detailer Information Sheet

The Nature Conservancy's Southern Rockies Wildland Fire Module is seeking individuals interested in expanding their experience in wildland and prescribed fire operations.

#### \*\*Expectations\*\*

We are seeking high-quality individuals, with diverse backgrounds and experiences to participate in ecosystem restoration through fire and fuels management. Individuals will be expected to maintain a positive attitude, show flexibility, have good communications skills and demonstrate a commitment to excellence, while upholding the modules core values of Duty, Respect and Integrity.

### \*\*About the Position\*\*

The positions will be on The Nature Conservancy's Southern Rockies Wildland Fire Module. Detailers will work alongside core members of the fire use module and may fill a variety of positions on the module. The goal of the detailer program is to assist The Nature Conservancy, State and Federal land management agency individuals in gaining experience in the implementation of wildland fire for resource benefit, prescribed fire, and/or community protection. Most work will be performed away from the duty location of Loveland, CO. Interested detailers must be willing and available to work/travel for 14-21 days while being located in remote areas that do not provide modern luxuries. All detailers will be expected to be in excellent physical condition to insure the safety and welfare of themselves and others. Detailers can expect long hours and rustic living conditions while working with the module. There is no special fire qualification needed except for being qualified as a basic wildland fire fighter. Individuals will be supplied with fire equipment and uniform components needed for module operations. Boots, Nomex and personal items will not be provided.

#### **MINITRODUCTION-**

The Southern Rockies Wildland Fire Module is working on establishing a quality detailer program. This will enable us to provide fire use and monitoring experience to a diverse group of firefighters. Some things to help you prepare for and get the most out of your experience with the crew are included in this document. This is not a comprehensive document - there will be a lot of new information once you join up with the module. Please contact one of the crew leaders if you have any other questions or concerns.

#### GENERAL –

Fire/project assignments often demand special skills. You should either already be a qualified FEMO or have a task book to work on (FEMO/FOBS). Be prepared to spin weather, take smoke and fire observations, write reports on the computer, collect and download GPS info and lots of other monitoring activities. Don't worry if you don't know how to do it all now; just be prepared to learn and pitch in to help with these tasks where you can. Additionally, depending on the assignment, the module could be asked to perform the full spectrum of suppression activities: long shifts of cutting line, chainsaw work, mopping up, laying hose, etc. Your participation in these tasks is essential to our success as a team.

We will try to integrate you into the module as much as possible. Much of this depends on you pitching in and looking for ways to help.

#### Some ideas:

- vehicle checks
- getting ice/lunches/Gatorade when in a camp setting
- general clean-up and maintenance

- keeping your gear packed/neat/ready
- sharpening tools/cleaning saws/filling dolmars & SIGGs
- getting stoves and water going in the morning and evening
- willingness to learn

We will try to share as much info about plans/assignments as possible. Upon arriving at an assignment stay close to the vehicles. Briefings may happen formally or informally while travelling. Do not hesitate to ask for clarification if something is unclear. Remember that things change fast; flexibility and a good attitude are always appreciated. Sometimes the work is not fun but with the right crew and a positive mindset every assignment can be fun and rewarding.

#### **MATERIAL SAFETY –**

Advise module leaders of allergies/medical conditions. Please insure that your boots are "broken in" to minimize potential foot problems. WFM assignments often involve lots of hiking in rugged terrain with a loaded fire pack/backpacking pack. If you have any concerns about your fitness level, discuss it with the module leaders prior to dispatch.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE** –

Detail slots can be set up in advance for specific timeframes. If you want to come out with the Southern Rockies, regardless of what we may be doing, and want to put some tentative dates on the calendar, just let us know. This does mean that you may be on project work the whole time, but who knows?

Once your availability is confirmed and we commit to adding you to our roster, you'll have to make sure you are ready to go and squared away in ROSS. You should have your dispatch office show you "Available Locally", and have all your qualifications up to date in ROSS and IQCS. After we receive a resource order, or you arrive and join up with the module, we will call your home unit dispatch and temporarily change your dispatch center to CO-FTC (Fort Collins Interagency Dispatch Center). Once we have been ordered, it is likely that you will meet the module at the home unit, be picked up on the way to the assignment, or meet the module at the assignment. Once availability has been confirmed, the detailer will be required to be reached at either cell/home or work phone numbers given at all times. Failure to do so will result in being passed over and disqualify you for coming out with the module again.

Federal Employees will need to cover any costs associated with detail unless the module is ordered and assigned to an incident. When assigned, detailer will receive a resource order with financial code (fire code). Travel, to and from, will be paid for by the incident. The detailer will be on per diem per their agency guidelines. There may be times when the module buys food for an assignment together, you will not need to claim per diem if this happens. The detailer will need to provide name and contact info of a time keeper or supervisor that can input hours. Any other special admin needs should be discussed with the module leader or assistant prior to getting ordered.

**LOGISTICS**- Helpful things to know before travelling with the Southern Rockies Wildland Fire Module:

#### A. CLOTHING AND GEAR

- Your Southern Rockies uniform will be provided for you (t-shirt, ball cap, hard hat, etc...). Wear it with pride, you will be required to wear it while representing the module. At end of detail t-shirt and ball cap are yours to keep.
- Other fireline items will be available if previously arranged (pack, fire shelter, tent, sleeping bag, red bag, etc). Please bring your PPE (Nomex, boots, etc...). You will also be expected to stay within the required weight limits (55lbs total allowable weight for deck bag and two week bag).
- You are permitted to bring a small day pack with toiletries and personal items (books, iPod, street clothes, PT gear, sandals).

- Be prepared to spend extended periods of time in the backcountry, in all types of environmental conditions.
- Prepare for all possible weather conditions- Layers, packable rain gear, warm hat, gloves, plentiful socks and underwear, thermals, and a cold weather jacket (fleece, Carhart, etc.) These items may come in handy on assignments at any time of year. It is very likely an assignment will have both temperature extremes.

#### B. FOOD

Some assignments require us to bring our own food, and some assignments will provide food. Once you join the crew you will be advised of the specifics. If necessary, we will stop for groceries prior to check-in. When shopping, keep in mind that there are space limitations and we do not always have access to ice (make sure your groceries do not need to be refrigerated). Once shopping is completed, food will typically be packed into plastic buckets, coolers and large, animal-proof containers. If necessary, arrangements will be made for storage, or resupply, of any excess food. Simple meals are the most efficient when it's late and you're hungry. If you have any specific food needs/allergies/requirements let one of the crew leaders know as soon as possible.

#### **WEHICLES** –

We live in our trucks. Please keep your gear tidy and put-away as much as possible. You may be asked to help drive. If you are not comfortable doing so, let us know. Treat the cab space as you would our living room – dispose of garbage at fuel stops and at the end of the day, occasionally sweep floors, help wash the windows, no open spit containers, minimize personal gear strewn about. Generally, in case of musical differences, the driver gets the final say. Minimize distractions for the driver. Pit stops are no big deal – just ask!

#### **EQUIPMENT**

We utilize valuable/expensive gear. Please treat it all with respect and mindfulness. If something isn't working or gets broken notify crew leaders so we can get it fixed as soon as possible. It's always better to tell us about an incident rather than have us find out about it later.

Don't hesitate to provide feedback. If there is additional information that should be included in this document, please tell us.

# <u>Please fill out the following and forward to us via one of the options listed below</u> <u>(e-mail is the best)</u>

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# Southern Rockies Wildland Fire Module 2010 Detailer Outreach Form

1. Detailer Name in ROSS:	
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2. Detailer Contact Information:	
Address:	Primary Phone: Click here to enter text.
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	Secondary Phone: Click here to enter text.
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1	Email: Click here to enter text.
3. Projected Availability Timeframes:	
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4. Qualifications (include Trainee Positions):	
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5. Home Unit/Unit ID in ROSS (i.e. COPBC):	
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THE MATHER COMPERMANCY	
6. Dispatch Center in ROSS (i.e. COPBC):	
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7. Dispatch Center Contact Information (include FAX#):	
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8. Supervisor Contact Information:	
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**Secondary Phone:**Click here to enter text.

**Email:**Click here to enter text.

#### Name (aka what you go by):

Click here to enter text.

#### **Shirt, Pant and Hat Size:**

Click here to enter text.



## **Emergency Contact Information:**

Name: Click here to enter text. Relation: Click here to enter text.

**Primary Phone #:**Click here to enter text.

Secondary Number: Click here to enter text.

Name: Click here to enter text. Relation: Click here to enter text.

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**Medical Information:** 

**Blood Type:**Click here to enter text.

**Medical Allergies:**Click here to enter text.

**Allergies**:Click here to enter text.

**Prescribed Medicine**:Click here to enter text.

Any Relevant Past Medical History (optional): Click here to enter text.