



BACKPACK ELECTROFISHING FUNDAMENTALS

ANNOUNCEMENT

NAIT is excited to announce the launch of its new course in Backpack Electrofishing Fundamentals. This course is designed to provide participants with knowledge of electrofishing policy with respect to fish injuries and electrofishing best practices.

The Backpack Electrofishing Fundamentals course will apply both theoretical and practical experience over two days. This will include a one-day portion of intensive classroom training that addresses the theories, concepts, identification, electrical safety and equipment settings for safe and efficient electrofishing sessions. The second day will provide a hands-on, applied, practical session focused on operation of a backpack electrofishing crew. This will enhance the skills discussed in the classroom session and allow participants to practice all roles assigned to a backpack electrofishing crew: shocker, netter and processor.

Alberta is experiencing an increasing demand for electrofishing training to support Sustainable Resource Development. Brock Olive, Portfolio Manager in Continuing Education, notes: "There is limited availability of electrofishing training in Alberta; we see this course as helping to fill a need, and expect to roll it out first in the Edmonton area, with plans to expand the offering in the near term as demand warrants."

The Backpack Electrofishing Fundamentals course is compliant with the WorkSafeBC Occupational Health and Safety Regulation (OHSR) 19.41(a) and is acceptable to the Workers Compensation Board of British Columbia for training in electrofishing operation. WorkSafeBC standards are considered nationally as the benchmark for electrofishing procedures.

This course is accredited by WorkSafeBC, which allows individuals who complete the course to electrofish in both Alberta and British Columbia.

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