



# Natural Resources

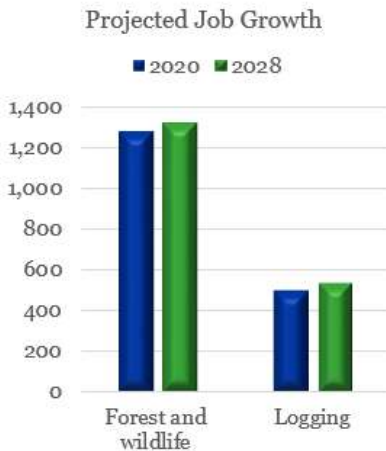


***If you enjoy the great outdoors and want to help care for it, you may find exciting opportunities in natural resources—forest management, wildlife and fish conservation, logging, and agriculture.***

More than 1,200 people were hired for natural resource jobs in 2019

**Forest and wildlife conservation and restoration** include foresters, forest conservation workers and fire fighters, fish restoration experts, fish and game wardens, fish hatchery workers, and scientists. Median earnings: \$50,600

**Logging.** Median earnings: \$56,500



## Employers

Dozens of organizations employ natural resource workers in our region. The largest are:

- U.S. Forest Service
- Nez Perce Tribe
- U.S Bureau of Land Management
- University of Idaho
- Washington State University
- CHS Primeland
- Idaho Fish and Game
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife

## Education or Training

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| Biologists and Conservation Scientists           | Bachelor's degree or higher       |
| Fish and Game Wardens                            | Bachelor's degree                 |
| Forest, Conservation, and Biological Technicians | Associate degree                  |
| Forest and Conservation Workers                  | Moderate-term on-the-job training |
| Foresters  | Bachelor's degree                 |
| Loggers  | Moderate-term on-the-job training |

### To explore career possibilities

- Idaho JobScape  
<https://www.labor.idaho.gov/JobScape/>
- Washington State Learn about an Occupation  
<https://esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo/learn-about-an-occupation#/search>
- Occupational Outlook Handbook  
<https://www.bls.gov/ooh/>