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Twenty Kamloops residents will begin a program for Silviculture Workers at Cariboo College on Monday, January 12, 1987. This five month training program ending in May of this year, is sponsored by Employment and Immigration Canada using Canadian Job Strategy funding.

Participants can expect to receive a basic background in forestry and silviculture and actual work experience in forest areas near Kamloops.

It has been indicated that two of every five hectares of cutover land in British Columbia is insufficiently stocked or would benefit from silvicultural treatment. If this condition is to be corrected within the next ten years, in excess of 16,000 permanent full-time jobs must be created. Training being received by the students in this program will prepare them to access these jobs.

This training program is being mounted through the cooperation of the B.C. Ministry of Social Services and Housing, Weyerhaeuser Canada and Employment and Immigration Canada.

The instructors of the course are James Nalbach, a graduate forester and consulting ecologist with extensive experience in wildlife/range management and environmental research, and Abbey Bates, a Cariboo College alumna with a B.Sc. from U.B.C. in forestry. Last year Bates taught a three-month silviculture program at Cariboo College.

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