

The **SALMTEC** Connector

... a compilation of applied science and land management events across a variety of sectors and disciplines...



SALMTEC's Fun Facts:

🌱 Back by popular demand — our ABWRET-A Field Training Course returns to Calgary on May 25. A few spots remain. [Register Now](#) before registration closes on May 17.

We hear about dandelions (*Taraxacum officinale*) as being the bees' first food in the spring. But did you know that early spring native plants, which are more important food sources for native pollinators, are also flowering at this time or even earlier in the year? When out for a walk or hike, look for the prairie crocus ([Pulsatilla nuttalliana](#)), prairie smoke ([Geum triflorum](#)), cinquefoils ([Potentilla concinna](#), [P. effusa](#)) buttercups ([Ranunculus glaberrimus](#), [R. rhomboideus](#)), spiny phlox ([Phlox hoodii](#)), cutleaf anemone ([Anemone multifida](#)), nodding onion ([Allium cernuum](#)), or golden beam ([Thermopsis rhombifolia](#)). Even early flowering native tree species such as pussy willow and beaked willow ([Salix discolor](#) and [S. bebbiana](#)) are good food sources for native pollinators.



What's coming up in the next month?

Date	Event / Topic	Location
May 25	SALMTEC's ABWRET-A Field Course (S26)	Calgary, AB
Ongoing	SALMTEC offers several self-paced online courses: Imagery Interpretation and Analysis Course (W26) ABWRET-A Blended Course (W26) Wetland Policy Basics Understanding ACIMS Tools Alberta Soil Information Viewer Land Use Assessment Landscape Analysis SALMTEC offers OnDemand seminars: Catchment Delineation Technical Report Review Hydrology & Wetland Design Wetland Delineation	Online

May 16	DUC Event: International Museum Day — Boreal Wetland Centre	Grande Prairie, AB
May 16	RDRN Event: Bird Focus Group Walk Field Trip	Alix Lake, AB
May 18	ENC Event: Bee Hotel Workshop	Lacombe County, AB
May 18	ENC Event: Plantain Salve Making	Lacombe County, AB
May 19	AWA Event: Talk Night – Book Launch of A Field Guide to the Birds of Alberta	Calgary, AB
May 19	CLRA Webinar: Overview of the Guide for Noxious Weeds and Undesirable/Problem Species Variances on Reclaimed Forested Sites	Online
May 20	EGBC Webinar: From Student to Professional	Online
May 20	EGBC Webinar: Sustainability in the Fast-Tracked Era of Major Projects	Surrey, BC
May 20	LICA Event: Mammals of the Lakeland	Bonnyville, AB
May 20	RMS Webinar: Energy Storage in Today's Electric Grid	Online
May 20	RMS Webinar: Managing Eligible Rivers	Online
May 20-28	VIU Course: Snorkel Surveys Vancouver Island University	Online and Field Qualicum and Fanny Bay Area, BC
May 21	ABMunis Event: Brownfields and Contaminated Sites: From Policy to Practice Workshop	Edmonton, AB
May 21	EALT Event: Trail Maintenance at Hicks!	Sherwood Park, AB
May 21	EGBC Webinar: Putting Teamwork at the Heart of Complex Engineering Project Delivery	Online

May 21	FCC Event: Cadet Creek Beaver Dam Analogue Build Day	Waiporous Village, AB
May 21 & 22	FCC Event: Alberta: Radiant Creek Willow Staking	Rocky Mountain House, AB
May 21	UNBC Course: Avenza Maps (IOS) Introduction UNBC	Online
May 22	NRTG Course: Electrofishing Certification	Winnipeg, AB
May 23	AWA Event: Hiking Lesueur Ridge	Ghost Public Land Use Zone, AB
May 23	ENC Event: Guided Birding and Book Presentation Gavin McKinnon and Dave Scott	Lacombe County, AB
May 23	OWC Event: Waterton River Willow Planting	Waterton River, AB
May 24	AWA event: Birdwatching and Photography at Frank Lake	Frank Lake, AB
May 24	ENC Event: Bee Hotel Workshop	Lacombe County, AB
May 24	ENC Event: Butterfly Certification Course (Citizen Science)	Lacombe County, AB
May 24	ENC Event: Buzzing Biodiversity Pollinator Training (Citizen Science)	Lacombe County, AB
May 24 & 31	ENC Event: Mountain Bluebird Trail Car Tours	Lacombe County, AB
May 25	SALMTEC's ABWRET-A Field Course (S26)	Calgary, AB
May 25 - 26	NRTG Course: Technical Writing for Professionals	Online
May 25 - 26	UNBC Course: Safe and Effective Electrofishing Certificate	Prince George, BC

May 25 – 27	UNBC Course: Forest Road Construction	Prince George, BC
May 26	FCC Event: Bow Watershed - Chapter Info Session	Calgary, AB
May 26 – 29	CAB-BC Course: Riparian Areas Protection Regulation	North Vancouver, BC
May 26 – 29	CitSci AB Event: 2026 Conference for Advancing the Participatory Sciences	Online
May 27	ACS Webinar: Clicks with Credibility: Science on Social Media	Online
May 27	CLRA Event: CLRA Prairies Mini-Series	Regina, SK
May 27	EGBC Course: Microsoft Excel: Advanced Data Management and Expert Functions	Online
May 27	OWC Webinar: Ecosystem Services Value Calculator	Online
May 27 – 28	NWETC Course: Certified Erosion and Sediment Control Lead Training	Online
May 28	CAB-BC Event: Ecological Management of BC Forests Towards Sustainable Forestry	Online
May 28	ECO Canada Event: Building Together: Connecting Codes & Community Needs	Winnipeg, MB
May 28	ECO Canada Event: GHG Management Training – Calgary	Calgary, AB
May 28 - 29	UNBC Course: Forest Road Deactivation UNBC	Prince George, BC
May 28 – June 4	UNBC Course: Introduction to Emergency Management	Online
May 29	NRTG Course: Electrofishing Certification	Courtenay, BC

May 29	NRTG Course: Electrofishing Certification	Terrace, BC
May 30	RDRN Event: Bird Focus Group Walk Field Trip Red Deer River Naturalists	Blackfalds, AB
May 30	AWA Event: Birds and Blooms in Rumsey	Rumsey, AB
May 30	ENC Event: BioBlitz (Citizen Science Project)	Lacombe County, AB
May 30	EALT Event: Medicine Garden Prep	Edmonton, AB
May 31	AWA Event: Prairies and Parkland Weekend	Wainwright, AB
May 31	EALT Event: Connect to Birds	Wetaskiwin, AB
June 1	NRTG Course: Fish Habitat Restoration — Prescription Development	Online
June 1 – July 24	SER Course: Assisted Natural Regeneration Practitioner Training	Online
June 2	ECO Canada Webinar: Financial Risk Management for Environmental Professionals	Online
June 2	EGBC Course: Microsoft Excel: Expert Dashboards	Online
June 3	AIA Webinar Regulation of AI in Professional Work in the Public Interest: Options and Responsibilities	Online
June 3	AISC Webinar: 'Invasive Plants in Alberta: Understanding the New Weed Regulations' Webinar	Online
June 3 – 4	RMS Webinar: National Wilderness Skills Institute River Skills (2 days)	Online
June 3 – 5	CAB-BC Event: Indigenous Resource Opportunities Conference	Nanaimo, BC

June 3 – 5	KEPA Event: 12th Annual KEPA Summit	Lavern, AB
June 3 – 5	Montrose Course: SOIL 230 Pedology Field School	Lac La Nonne, AB
June 4	AWA Event: Adventure for Wilderness - Evening Wildflowers in the High Noon Hills	Diamond Valley, AB
June 4	ELC Webinar: Biodiversity in Focus Series: Forests	Online
June 4	Nature Alberta Event: Fish Fin-atics	Edmonton, AB
June 4	NRTG Course: Electrofishing Certification	Cranbrook, BC
June 5	AWA Event: Adventure for Wilderness – Mindfulness in the Mountains	Brown-Lowery Provincial Park, AB
June 6	AWA Event: Adventure for Wilderness – Taber Native Grassland Tour	Taber, AB
June 6	NCC Event: Adopt-a-Patch launch at H.G Lawrence (Volunteer Event)	Pine Lake, AB
June 6	RDRN Event: Bird Focus Group Walk	Red Deer, AB
June 6	BRWA Event: Wainwright BioBlitz and Community Watershed Day	Wainwright, AB
June 7, 14, 21, 28	ENC Event: Mountain Bluebird Trail Car Tours	Lacombe County, AB
June 7 & 13	ENC Event: Birding Walks	Lacombe County, AB
June 8	NRTG Course: Fish Habitat Restoration – Stream Morphology Assessment	Online

June 9	BFWF Webinar: Southern B.C. Cougar Project	Online
June 9	EGBC Webinar: Microsoft Excel: Expert Macros & Forms	Online
June 9	EGBC Webinar: Power, Influence and Persuasion for Environmental Professionals	Vancouver, BC
June 9	NRTG Course: Fish Habitat Restoration – Identification of Factors Limiting Fish Productivity	Online
June 9 – 10	NRTG Course: Species at Risk	Online
June 10	ACS Webinar: Make Your Science Stick: Why Facts Matter but Stories Move	Online
June 10	RMS Webinar: Tribes: An Evolving Presence as Hydropower Practitioners	Online
June 10	VIU Course: Electrofishing: Theory, Safety and Uses	Nanaimo, BC
June 10 – 11	NWETC Course: CESCL: Certified Erosion and Sediment Control Lead Training	Online
June 11	Cows and Fish Event: Flow and Grow - Grazing and Streams Workshop	Starland County, AB
June 11	EGBC Webinar: Ace Your Interview: How to Confidently Convey Your Value	Online
June 11	Nature Alberta Event: Tree Planting for Biodiversity	Edmonton, AB
June 12	NRTG Course: Advanced Electrofishing	Online
June 12 - 14	Botany Alberta Event: Writing-on-Stone Provincial Park Camping Field Trip	Writing on Stone Provincial Park, AB
June 13	AWA Event: Adventure for Wilderness – The Boundary Pine, Grass Pass, and Bull Creek Hills	Sentinel Day Use Area, AB

June 13	ENC Event: Bee Hotel Workshop & Wildlife Gardening	Lacombe County, AB
June 13	NCC Event: Adopt-a-Patch launch at Bunchberry Meadows (Volunteer event)	Spruce Grove, AB
June 13	RDRN Event: Bird Focus Group Walk Field Trip	Medicine Lake Provincial Recreation Area, AB
June 14	AWA Event: Adventure for Wilderness – Sheep River Sketch and Watershed Walk	Okotoks, AB
June 14	AWA Event: Adventure for Wilderness – Whaleback Wildflower Wander	Bob Creek Wildland Provincial Park, AB
June 14	RDRN Event: Bird Focus Group Walk Field Trip	Crimson Lake Provincial Park, AB
June 15	CAB-BC Course: Bat Acoustics Training	Kamloops, BC
June 15	NACW Event: North American Caribou Workshop (NACW) 2026	Yellowknife, NT
June 15 – 16	NWETC Course: Pacific Salmonids: Ecology	Online
June 15 – 19	Tannas Course: 2026 Plant Identification Course	Cochrane and Cremona, AB
June 16	Eco Canada Webinar: Navigating Energy Codes: Communities Sharing Their Experiences	Online
June 16	NRTG Course: Construction Monitoring – Principles of Erosion and Sediment Control on Construction Sites	Online
June 16	PCF Event: Onefour Research Ranch Field Tour	Manyberries, AB
June 16	RMS Webinar: Precision Rapids: Whitewater Park Features, Benefits, and Tradeoffs	Online

June 16 - 17	DUC Event: Wetlands of Alberta's Boreal Foothills	Hinton, AB
June 16 - 17	NWETC Course: Comprehensive Environmental Sampling: Methodology, Practice, and Analysis	TBA, WA, USA
June 17	Eco Canada Webinar: Applied Mineralogy for Environmental Consultants	Online
June 17	VIU Course: Electrofishing: Theory, Safety and Uses	North Vancouver, BC
June 19	NRTG Course: Electrofishing Certification	West Vancouver, BC
June 20	AWA Event: Adventure for Wilderness - Geology and Ground Squirrels at Dry Island Buffalo Jump Provincial Park	Dry Island Buffalo Jump Provincial Park, AB
June 20	ENC Event: Nature Journaling Workshop	Lacombe County, AB
June 20	ENC Event: Plantain Salve Making	Lacombe County, AB
June 20	ENC Event: The World of Bees (Honeybee Workshop)	Lacombe County, AB
June 20	NCC Event: Adopt-a-Patch launch at Cervo 2 (Volunteer Event)	Burmis, AB
June 20	RDRN Event: Ferry Point Community Camp-out/Birding Field Trip	Rosalind, AB
June 22	CAB-BC: Fire Effects Monitoring Workshop	Kelowna, BC
June 22	EGBC Event: INWED: Perspectives from Women in Engineering	New Westminster, BC
June 23	Cows and Fish Event: The Original Grazing School for Women I	Smoky Lake, AB

June 23	NRTG Course: Amphibian Survey and Collection Methods	Online
June 23	NRTG Course: Electrofishing Certification	Cochrane, AB
June 23 & 24	NRTG Course: Bat Habitat Assessment	Online
June 24	APEGA Webinar: Managing Professional Identity Transitions in Engineering and Geoscience	Online
June 24	CLRA Webinar: ‘A Shared Foundation: Advancing Remediation Innovation Through Policy and Technology’	Online
June 24	NAWM Webinar: Exploring the Economic Benefits of Wetland Ecosystems and Management Programs	Online
June 24	SER Course: Wetland Construction: Principles, Planning, and Design	Online
June 24 – 25	NWETC Course: CESCL: Certified Erosion and Sediment Control Lead Training	Online
June 26	APEGA Event: Edmonton River Valley Askiy-Geo Discovery Tour	Edmonton, AB
June 27	ENC Event: Buzzing Biodiversity Pollinator Training (Citizen Science)	Lacombe County, AB
June 28	ENC Event: Painted Birdhouse Workshop	Lacombe County, AB
June 27	AWA Event: Adventure for Wilderness – Grassy Mountain and the Threat of Coal	Frank, AB
June 27	RDRN Event: Bird Focus Group Walk Field Trip	Radar Hill, AB
June 28	AWA Event: Adventure for Wilderness – Ice, Glaciers, Gravel, and Oil at Cochrane North	Cochrane, AB
June 29	NRTG Course: Introduction to Environmental Work on Construction Sites	Online

June 30	NWETC Course: AI Fundamentals for Professionals	Online
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