

COLD FISH LAKE CAMP

Volunteer Host
Information



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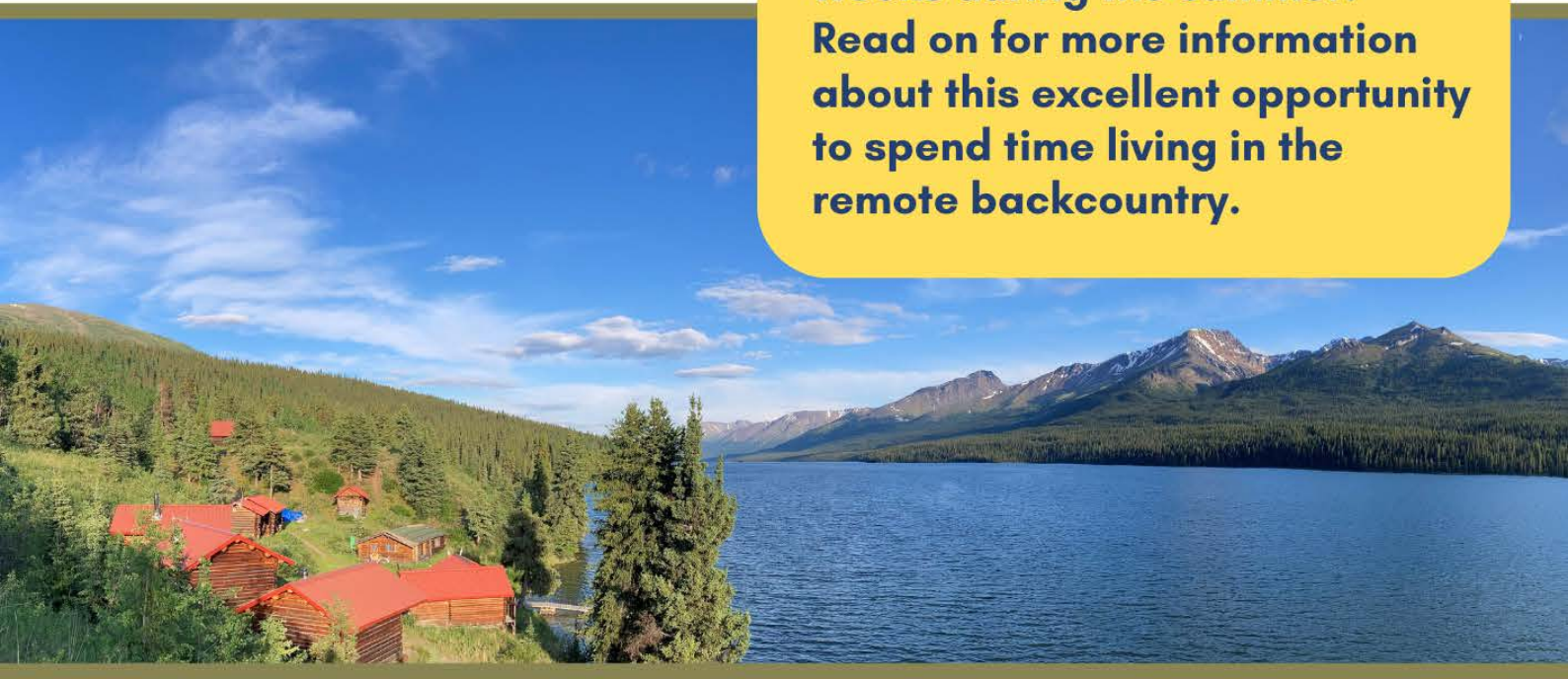
Background

Have you and a friend or family member ever dreamed of living in a remote cabin without cell reception? Does the beauty and adventure of northern British Columbia call your name? If so, you might be interested in being a volunteer host at Cold Fish Lake Camp in the heart of Spatsizi Wilderness Provincial Park.

This role is ideal for those who love spending time in nature. The camp has something to offer for all. Full of history and situated in prime wildlife habitat, it provides a cozy basecamp while you access hiking trails that lead to spectacular alpine, plateau, and mountain landscapes. Researchers, artists, and those looking to immerse themselves in northern B.C.'s history could thrive here.

The role of the host is to assist BC Parks by greeting park visitors and providing them with information about things to do in the park and surrounding area. Park hosts focus on information about visitor safety and etiquette, as well as providing background history of the camp.

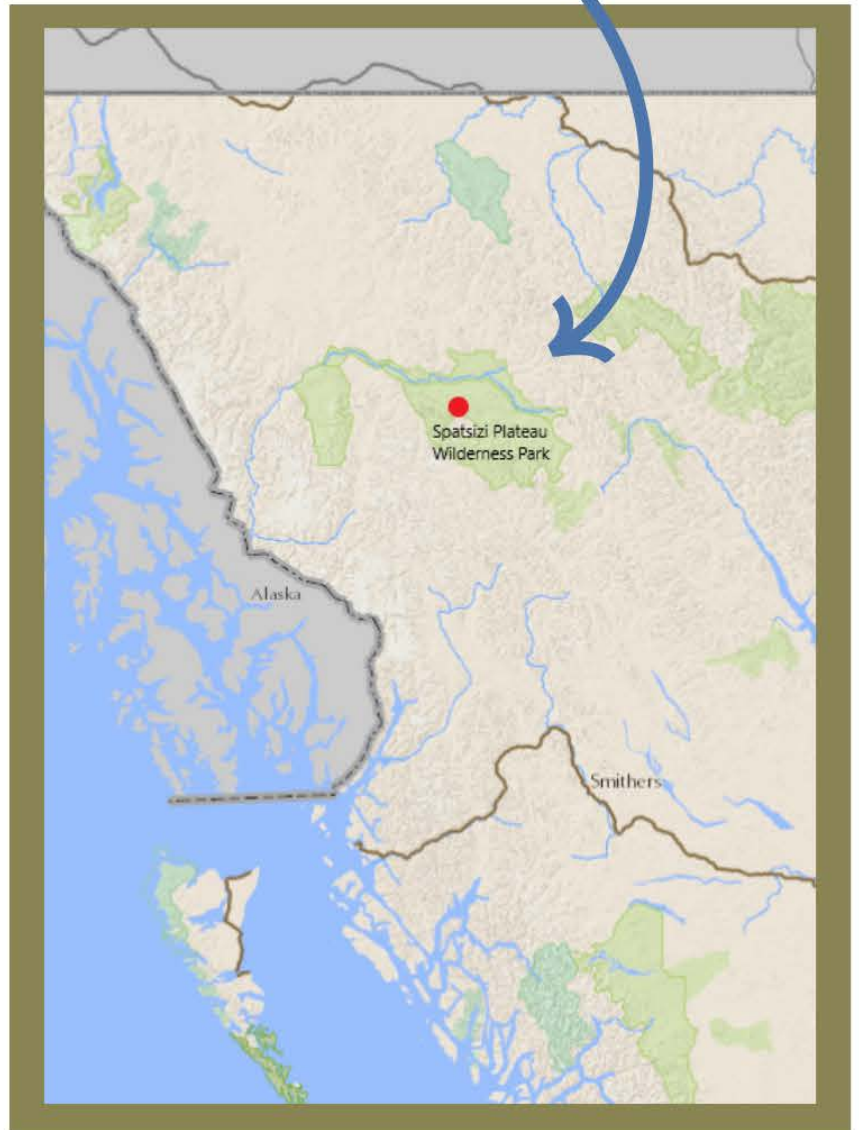
There are several volunteer host positions available for weeks during the summer. Read on for more information about this excellent opportunity to spend time living in the remote backcountry.



Camp Location

Cold Fish Lake Camp is a historic guide outfitting and hunting camp, nestled on the lakeshore in the heart of Spatsizi Plateau Wilderness Provincial Park, in northwestern British Columbia. The nearest communities are Iskut and Dease Lake, located over 65 km to the northwest. Access to the camp is by float plane.

What is at the camp?



There are 6 visitor cabins, a host cabin, a communal cookhouse, shower house, and several outbuildings in the camp, which is the hub of a trail network. Woodstoves with firewood, propane cooking, running water, and basic solar electrical facilities make the backcountry experience glamorous. Did we mention there is a hot water shower!



Responsibilities

Interact with visitors

- Greet visitors and provide park information
- Maintain host and visitor records journals
- Ensure the camp remains tidy, and that park users clean-up after themselves
- Record and report any conflicts with wildlife, accidents or near misses, suspected regulatory violations, and any other notable events.

Camp upkeep

- Provide fee envelopes to park visitors
- Minor maintenance tasks such as sweeping, small painting projects, basic grounds keeping
- Operate a fire pump

Specialized projects

- You can work to your areas of expertise and interest! If you have a project or skills you'd like to bring to the role (carpentry, research, art, trail work, blogging, photography) let's discuss how we can work together to maximize your experience



An orientation is provided for the hosts, instructing them on the use and maintenance of the water system, propane fridge and stove, fire pump, the satellite phone, check in/out system, woodstoves, and all other duties or equipment included in the hosting role.



What's Provided?

BC Parks provides the following for Cold Fish Lake Camp Hosts:

- Cover the cost of the floatplane flights in and out of the park
- Provide a fully-equipped accommodation cabin, free of charge, at Cold Fish Camp
- Use of canoe, aluminum boat and motor, on Cold Fish Lake.

What to Bring?

Park Hosts must supply the following items for their stay:

- Food
- Clothing
- Sleeping bag, sleeping pad, pillow
- Leisure time equipment such as camera, fishing gear, books
- Bear spray
- Bug spray

A more comprehensive list of suggested items to pack is included in the planning package once hosts are selected.



Qualifications

The following is required of all Volunteer Hosts:

- Commit to a 3 or 4 week term for dates from July to September;
- Must be in good health and physical condition; some of the duties involve physical exertion in mountainous terrain;
- Comfortable living in an isolated location without access to immediate medical aid;
- First aid training and current certification at OFA Level 1, with CPR;
- Pleasure Craft Operators certificate and boating experience;
- Experience in backcountry travel;
- Willingness to sign a volunteer agreement and abide by all BC Parks policies and local regulations;
- Criminal Record Check



Interested?

If you wish to apply to this opportunity, please visit the link to download and complete the Cold Fish Camp host application form.

<https://bcparks.ca/get-involved/volunteer/>

Instructions for submission can be found on the application form. Please ensure you indicate your available dates when you apply.

Applications are evaluated and the season schedules established in March of each year.

Thank you for your interest!

