

# NCF-Envirothon Alberta 2025

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NCF-Envirothon  
States & Provinces Reps Meeting

Zoom  
March 26, 2025



# NCF- Envirothon

## Alberta 2025 Sponsors

- Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta (FRIAA) is the grant funding agency
- Sponsorship is **generously** provided through 4 forestry companies:
  - Weyerhaeuser
  - West Fraser
  - Foothills Forest Products
  - Canfor



Weyerhaeuser



West Fraser



# Alberta Envirothon Association



- Alberta's Host Committee for the 2025 NCF-Envirothon is comprised of an **incredible** team of dedicated folks:
  - Chantelle Bambrick – Chair
  - Heather Robertson-Gagne – Vice Chair (Logistics, PR/Comms)
  - Kerri O'Shaughnessy – Vice Chair (Education, Logistics)
  - Valerie Miller (Finance, Education)
  - Jennifer McGuinness (Education, Logistics)
  - Kate Winterford (PR/Comms)
  - Bradley Peter (Logistics, Education)
  - Destiny Gauthier (Logistics, Education)
  - Ilana Music (Education)
  - Allison Brown (Education)
  - Jill Henry (Education)
  - Cassandra Gnyra (Education)
  - Devin Letourneau (Education)
  - Cultural Advisors Vivian McDonald and Alison Struth (Education, Logistics)

with professional guidance and assistance from our event planners at Gravity Pull (Kinga & Ali) (Logistics, PR/Comms, Visitor Services)

and supported by Fox Bookkeeping Services (Diana & team) (Finance)





# Getting to Alberta, Canada



- Team(s) entering Canada from the USA and Singapore will require a valid passport. See [Entering Canada - Travel.gc.ca](#)
- Team(s) from China will require a valid passport and a Visa. See [Entry requirements by country or territory - Canada.ca](#)
- The #YYC airport is located 24.7 kms (15.4 miles) from Mount Royal University (MRU) and travel from the airport to MRU should take no more than 25 minutes regardless of travel option
- Direct shuttle service - will provide a list for each team to choose from
  - Note that there are several travel options within the city = direct shuttle service, Uber/Lyft, ride share, taxi, bus, Light Rail Transit (C train)

YYC > Transportation

2025  
NCF-Envirothon

Mount Royal  
University  
Calgary, Alberta

July 20-26, 2025



<https://www.mtroyal.ca/AboutMountRoyal/CampusesTours/>

- Campus amenities: concert hall, banquet hall, recreational facilities, on-site dorms (apartment and townhome style)
- Cafeteria: meal cards, boxed lunches when off-site
- Close proximity to Calgary airport and the Rocky Mountains



# Mount Royal University (MRU)

Parking – register your plate when you arrive using a link emailed out 1 week prior.

Designated visitor parking on campus.

Meals & meal cards – meal cards per person will be pre-loaded with an amount that needs to last the whole week. Don't lose your card or you will be responsible for paying for the replacement card. "The Table" Dining Hall, Tim Hortons, Jugo Juice, and Barrows Coffee Shop.

Team snacks for OP sequestration day – a selection of snacks/drinks is being provided for each team by the AB Host Committee and will be delivered to each room ahead of time. There may be an opportunity for team advisors to aid in the selection (TBD).

Mount Royal University offers the atmosphere of a small town and the resources of a big city so you can enjoy the best of both worlds. With state-of-the-art classrooms, amazing recreation facilities, a world-class concert hall, LEED-certified eco-buildings and spacious residences, MRU provides the spaces and resources for student success.

The main buildings we will be using are:

- Main Campus (AKA Lincoln Park = LP)
- Roderick Mah Centre for Continuous Learning (= EC)
- Taylor Centre for Performing Arts (= T CPA / ED)
- West Residence
- Bissett School of Business (= EB) on July 24
- TransCanada Amphitheatre

[Detailed campus maps | MRU](#)



# MRU residence buildings

all rooms are single occupancy with 1 single bed in a 1, 2, or 4 bedroom apartment or townhouse.

For an additional fee, advisors will have the option to have access to the living room/kitchen common space. Students will not.



Teams will be housed in the West Residence Complex (5-story apartment building)



Guests will be housed in the West Residence Complex (townhouses)



[Residence Services | MRU](#)



Must respect Quiet Hours



[Explore our campus | MRU](#)

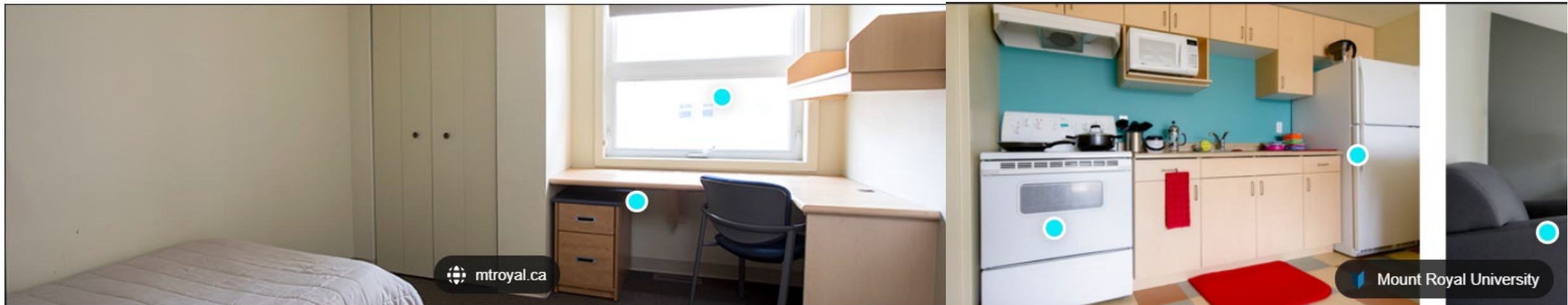


Guests/Volunteers may also be housed in the East Residence Complex (if needed)

## West Residence Apartment Complex

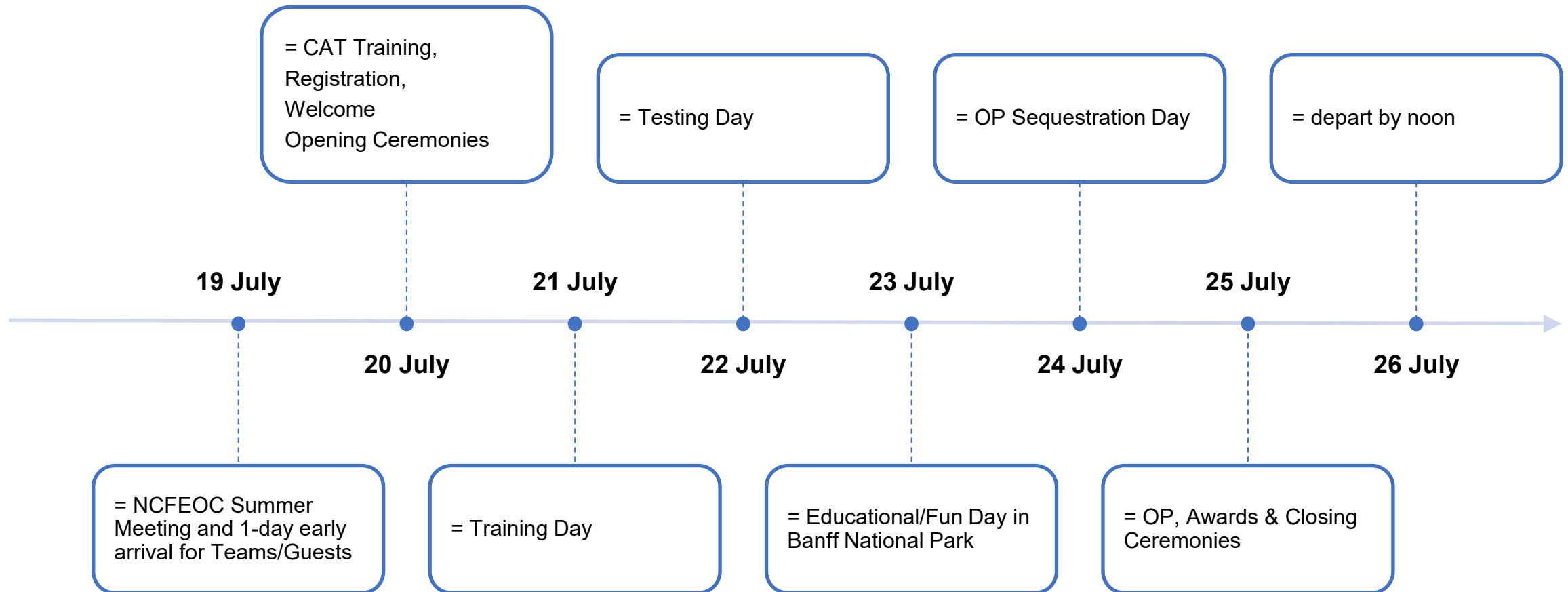


## West Residence Townhouses





# Overview of schedule





# July 20 = MRU

- Registration & getting settled in the West Residence Complex
- Team Photos
- Opening Ceremonies @ Bella Concert Hall
- Trading Session @ Ross Glen Hall
- Hospitality Lounge bar service from 8-11pm @ Lincoln Park Room (*Adults only*)

# July 21 = off site

**CLASSIFIED**

- boxed lunches
- departing MRU by 8:15am to off site location
- training day schedule
- arriving MRU @ 4:30pm
- supper @ 5-7pm
- study hall @ 7:30-9:30pm @ Ross Glen Hall
- Hospitality Lounge (*Adults only*)
- guest/advisor tour to both Lake Louise and Moraine Lake (\$125 CDN) [Moraine Lake | Banff National Park, Alberta | Banff & Lake Louise Tourism](#)





# Training Day Schedule Overview

- \*8:15am to 4:30pm including travel
- 90 min Stations = 3 per student
- Planning for Indigenous-led content delivered only once to all students
- 15 mins switch
- Buses are the contingency for weather
- Many port-a-potties, tents
- \*departure/arrival time subject to refinement
- Chair alternative = roll up waterproof picnic blanket

# July 22 = off site

**CLASSIFIED**

- boxed lunches
- departing MRU by 8:15am to off site location
- testing day schedule
- arriving MRU @ 4:30pm
- supper @ 5–7pm
- Mack Brown @ amphitheatre @ 7pm
- Social activities/gym/free time @ 8–9pm
- Hospitality Lounge (*Adults only*)
- guest/advisor tour to Royal Tyrrell Museum of Palaeontology in Drumheller (\$110 CDN)

[Home | Royal Tyrrell Museum](#)



# Testing Day Schedule Overview

\*8:00am to 4:30pm including travel

55 mins @ each Station

10 mins switch

Indoor facilities available in case of weather

Many port-a-potties, tents

\*departure/arrival time subject to refinement





July 23 =  
Banff  
National  
Park  
  
8am–9pm

- Departing MRU by 8am
- Sunshine Meadows

[Hours & Directions — Banff](#)

[Sunshine Meadows](#)

- Gondola then chairlift
- Boxed lunches







# July 23 = Banff National Park 8am–9pm

- 2 hours free time  
in Banff townsite
- Supper at  
MountView BBQ  
[Mount View Barbecue Corporate Events](#)  
[Banff | Private Group Events in Banff](#)
- Birds of Prey
- Live Music





July 24 =  
MRU

- Oral Presentation Scenario
  - training 8am-noon
  - Team Sequestration (Ross Glen Hall)
- we have 55 classrooms booked from 1-7pm in 3 buildings (EC, EB, and LP)
  - supper @ 6-8pm
  - Hospitality Lounge bar service from 8-11pm @ Lincoln Park room (*Adults only*)
- guest/advisor tour to Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump World Heritage Site (\$105 CDN) Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump World Heritage Site | Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump



# July 25 = MRU



Oral Presentations



College & Career Fair from 9am-1pm @ Ross Glen Hall



Top 3 Oral Presentation finals & keynote speaker from 2-4:45pm @ Bella Concert Hall



catered buffet dinner from 5-6:45pm @ TransCanada Amphitheatre



Awards Celebration and Closing Ceremonies from 7-8pm @ Bella Concert Hall



Dance from 9-11pm @ Ross Glen Hall



Hospitality Lounge bar service from 8-11pm @ Lincoln Park room (*Adults only*)

# 2025 Alberta NCF- Envirothon logo

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we are so proud to have worked with the ultra talented Mackenzie Brown who created our 2025 NCF-Envirothon logo.

Mack will come to MRU on Tuesday evening to share with everyone the vision behind her creation for us using story, song & drumming.

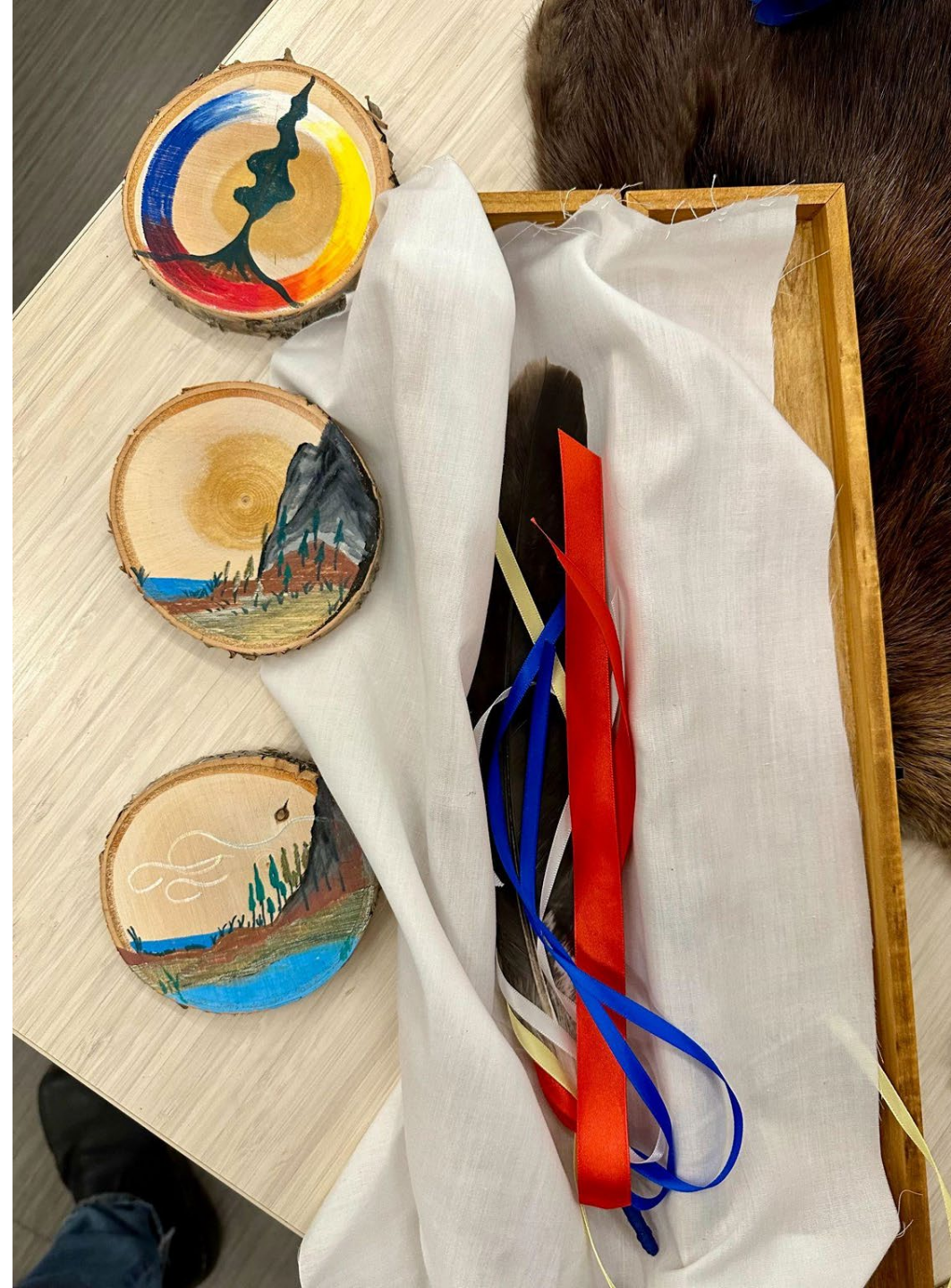
[Home - Mackenzie Brown - Kamamak - Cree artist and performer](#)





# Our intentions to weave Indigenous teachings / ceremonies / cultural experiences throughout the event

- Opening Prayer at Opening Ceremony and a World Champion hoop dancer performance on July 20 evening
- Current Issue Indigenous teaching on July 21
- Haudenosaunee Thanksgiving Address prior to Study Hall on July 21
- Mackenzie Brown of the Sturgeon Lake Cree Nation sharing the vision behind our 2025 NCF-Envirothon logo through story, song & drumming on July 22 evening
- Indigenous-led daily sharing circle and smudging available during breakfast (attendance is **optional**)
- Closing Prayer at Awards Ceremony on July 25 evening





# Registration Fees in USD

- Team Registration = \$2,300
- 1-Day Team Early Arrival (\$400)
- Advisor/Chaperone Single Room = **no charge** (all rooms are single occupancy at MRU)
- Advisor/Chaperone kitchen/living room fee = \$150/person
- 1-Day Guest Early Arrival = \$80/person
- 2-Day Operating Committee Early Arrival = \$150/person
- On-Campus Guest = \$800/person
- Off-Campus Guest = \$400/person
- Day Guest: Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday = \$100/person/day
- Day Guest: Wednesday = \$150/person
- Parking pass = use parking app once you arrive at MRU for designated areas
- Non-registered Guest Awards banquet ticket = \$30/person



# Volunteer Call-Out

All people not AB residents must register as an NCF guest (on or off campus) and be over 21. Then fill out our Alberta volunteer form

The **Alberta Envirothon** is hosting  
the international **NCF-Envirothon**!



**July 20-25, 2025**

Mount Royal University, Calgary Alberta

*We cordially invite you  
to volunteer with us!*

Please **RSVP** your interest in volunteering





# Questions?

Are you as  
**excited** as we  
are?

PS. Only 116 more sleeps ;)

Registration opens April 15, 2025 (if not before)

Please feel free to contact Jennifer Brooks anytime  
at:

[administration@envirothon.org](mailto:administration@envirothon.org)

