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I was one of the youngest students to go through RMOT program and graduated in 1995 at the age of 20. I applied all over and didn't find much law enforcement work initially, but ended up working as an assistant guide for hunting, fishing and wilderness adventures. I didn't know it at the time but this would soon become a good work foundation for me.

I was finally hired as an auxiliary Conservation Officer in 1996 in Maple Ridge. It was a short term contract that lasted less than a year. When I left that, I went back to my hunting and fishing guiding ways and wrote the exam for a full time Conservation Officer position.

While waiting for results, I was offered a contract job as an undercover conservation officer dealing with various guiding related issues in BC. My previous work experience as a guide served me well!

After a period of time, I was hired as a full time CO, a position I held for about 13 years. Postings in Alexis Creek, Fort Nelson and Smithers meant I had a wide range of experience through BC.

I was recruited to work for large oil and gas companies and ultimately left government to switch to private industry, leading large Environmental Health and Safety teams throughout British Columbia and Alberta. While I had loved being a CO, the new position were much more rewarding on the compensation and career progression front. I did not know it at the time, but the skills I learned at RMOT and government transferred well to the private sector and were often in demand. Investigating incidents, managing emergencies and regulatory liaison were right in my wheelhouse.

I retired in 2019 at the age of 45. I now live in the Caribbean and return to Prince Rupert yearly to run fishing charters.

The RMOT program laid the foundation for a successful working career, both in government and private industry. The knowledge gained and the approach taken have served me well and it is still the program I recommend others to take.