

**BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR WORKING IN
NONTIDAL WETLANDS, WETLAND BUFFERS,
WATERWAYS, AND 100-YEAR FLOODPLAINS**

- 1) No excess fill, construction material, or debris shall be stockpiled or stored in nontidal wetlands, nontidal wetland buffers, waterways, or the 100-year floodplain.
- 2) Place materials in a location and manner which does not adversely impact surface or subsurface water flow into or out of nontidal wetlands, nontidal wetland buffers, waterways, or the 100-year floodplain.
- 3) Do not use the excavated material as backfill if it contains waste metal products, unsightly debris, toxic material, or any other deleterious substance. If additional backfill is required, use clean material free of waste metal products, unsightly debris, toxic material, or any other deleterious substance.
- 4) Place heavy equipment on mats or suitably operate the equipment to prevent damage to nontidal wetlands, nontidal wetland buffers, waterways, or the 100-year floodplain.
- 5) Repair and maintain any serviceable structure or fill so there is no permanent loss of nontidal wetlands, nontidal wetland buffers, or waterways, or permanent modification of the 100-year floodplain in excess of that lost under the originally authorized structure or fill.
- 6) Rectify any nontidal wetlands, wetland buffers, waterways, or 100-year floodplain temporarily impacted by any construction.
- 7) All stabilization in the nontidal wetland and nontidal wetland buffer shall consist of the following species: Annual Ryegrass (*Lolium multiflorum*), Millet (*Setaria italica*), Barley (*Hordeum* sp.), Oats (*Uniola* sp.), and/or Rye (*Secale cereale*). These species will allow for the stabilization of the site while also allowing for the voluntary revegetation of natural wetland species. Other non-persistent vegetation may be acceptable, but must be approved by the Nontidal Wetlands and Waterways Division. **Kentucky 31 fescue shall not be utilized in wetland or buffer areas.** The area should be seeded and mulched to reduce erosion after construction activities have been completed.
- 8) After installation has been completed, make post-construction grades and elevations the same as the original grades and elevations in temporarily impacted areas.
- 9) To protect aquatic species, in-stream work is prohibited as determined by the classification of the stream:

Use I waters: In-stream work shall not be conducted during the period March 1 through June 15, inclusive, during any year.

Use III waters: In-stream work shall not be conducted during the period October 1 through April 30, inclusive, during any year.

Use IV waters: In-stream work shall not be conducted during the period March 1 through May 31, inclusive, during any year.

- 10) Stormwater runoff from impervious surfaces shall be controlled to prevent the washing of debris into the waterway.
- 11) Culverts shall be constructed and any riprap placed so as not to obstruct the movement of aquatic species, unless the purpose of the activity is to impound water.