

## 2021 Missouri NWP Regional Conditions (RC)

### For All Nationwide Permits:

**1. Stream Crossings.** In addition to requirements of General Condition 2 and General Condition 9 of the Nationwide Permits, the following guidelines for stream crossings apply for regulated activities in waters of the United States (WOTUS). The guidelines are available at: <http://www.nwk.usace.army.mil/Portals/29/docs/regulatory/nationwidepermits/2017/MORC1Streamams.pdf>

- Corps Districts may waive RC 1 when project site geomorphology (i.e. bedrock, gradient) or existing alterations (i.e. adjacent impoundment, as part of a dry detention basin) creates conflict with the guidelines. The applicant must provide Pre-construction Notification (PCN) to the District Engineer for any waiver request.

**2. Seasonal Restrictions for Activities Proposed in Spawning Areas.** In addition to the requirements of General Condition 3 of the Nationwide Permits, the following specific seasonal restrictions apply for regulated activities in WOTUS. Between the closed dates listed in the Missouri Combined Stream Spawning List, the permittee must not excavate from or discharge into the listed waters. The list of waters with seasonal restrictions is available on request from the Corps or at: [MO RC 2 PDF](#)

- Corps Districts may waive RC 2 when the applicant demonstrates imminent threats to public safety and health, or to property. The Corps will consult with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Missouri Department of Conservation before granting the waiver and may add additional special conditions to protect aquatic life during the operation. The applicant must PCN to the District Engineer for any waiver request.

**3. Suitable Material.** In addition to the specific examples in General Condition 6 of the Nationwide Permits, the following materials are not suitable for fill activities in WOTUS: garbage, tires, treated lumber products that do not comply with the Registration Documents issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and that are not in accordance with standards issued by American Wood Protection Association of the International Code Council, liquid concrete not poured into forms, grouted riprap, bagged cement and sewage or organic waste.

- Broken concrete used as bank stabilization must be reasonably well graded, consisting of pieces varying in size from 20 pounds up to and including at least 150-pound pieces to withstand expected high flows. Applicants must break all large slabs to conform to the well graded requirement. Generally, the maximum weight of any piece should not be more than 500 pounds. Gravel and dirt should not exceed 15% of the total fill volume when using broken concrete as fill. All protruding reinforcement rods, trash, asphalt, and other extraneous materials must be removed from the broken concrete prior to placement in WOTUS.

**4. Priority Watersheds.** The applicant must provide PCN to the District Engineer for any regulated activity in a priority watershed. The list of priority watersheds requiring notification is available on request from the Corps or **LINK TO BE PROVIDED AT A LATER DATE.**

**5. Sensitive Aquatic Species.** The applicant must provide PCN to the District Engineer for any regulated activity in waters listed at: [http://www.nwk.usace.army.mil/Portals/29/docs/regulatory/nationwidepermits/2017/MORC7Aquatic Species.pdf](http://www.nwk.usace.army.mil/Portals/29/docs/regulatory/nationwidepermits/2017/MORC7Aquatic%20Species.pdf). The submitted PCN will be coordinated in accordance with General Condition 32(d) with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as determined appropriate by the Corps.

**For Specific Nationwide Permits:**

**6. Lake of the Ozarks.** The applicant must provide a PCN to the District Engineer for any regulated activity associated with Nationwide Permit 12, 57, and 58 within Lake of the Ozarks. A copy of this notification must also concurrently be sent to Ameren Missouri. Nationwide Permits 29 and 44 are revoked in the Lake of the Ozarks. The Corps and Ameren Missouri, regardless of the request to use any Nationwide Permit, may verify the activity under the provisions of Regional General Permit 38M <https://usace.contentdm.oclc.org/utis/getfile/collection/p16021coll7/id/7726>. Additional information on Ameren Missouri and Lake of the Ozarks permit requirements can be found at the following webpage: <https://www.ameren.com/missouri/lake-of-the-ozarks/forms-requirements>.

**Note: PCN to the District Engineer must be in accordance with General Condition 32 of the Nationwide Permits.**

## General Guidelines for Stream Crossings Regional Condition 1

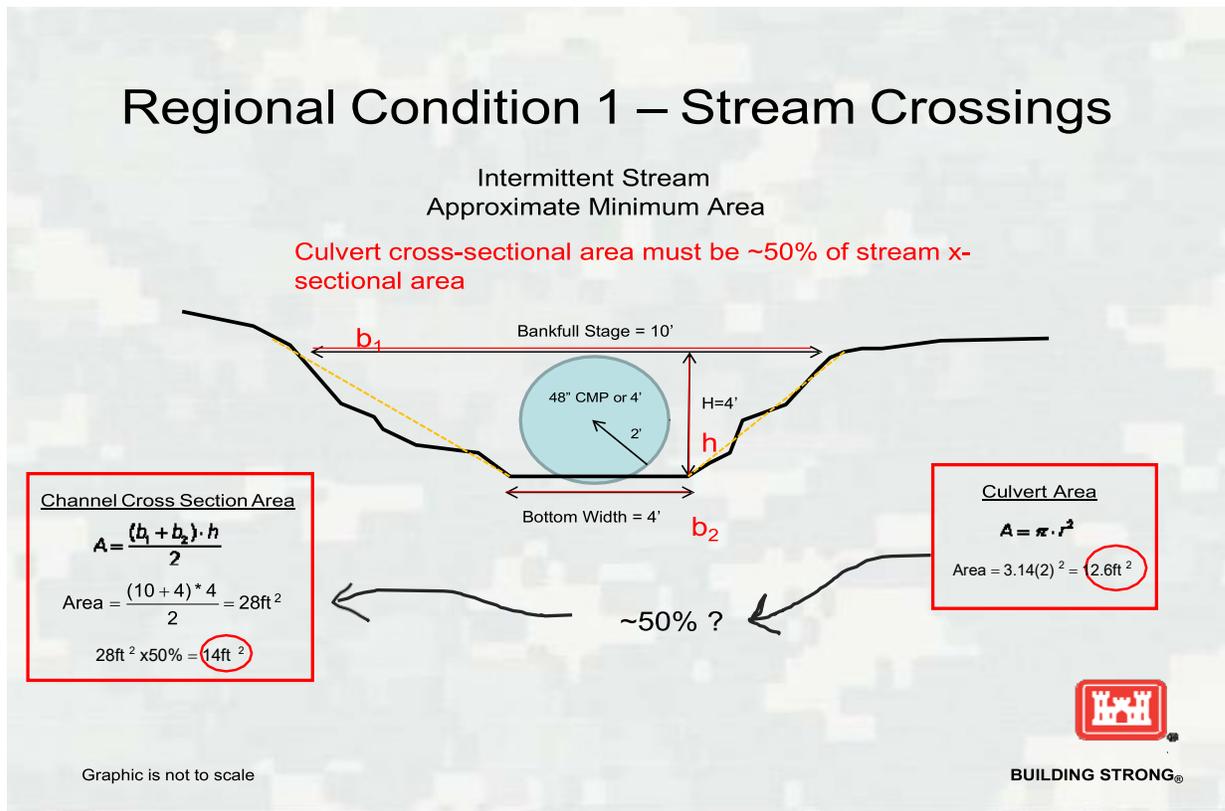
For all Nationwide Permits that involve the construction/installation of culverts and low water crossings, measures will be included in the construction, design, and installation that will allow for the passage of flows and promote the safe passage of fish and other aquatic organisms. The following General Guidelines are required to supplement General Condition (2) Aquatic Life Movements and General Condition (9) Management of Water Flows.

**Culverts:**

- New or replacement culverts (e.g., box or tubular, pipes, etc.) must be designed, sized, and placed correctly. Culverts perched above the grade of the stream are not allowed. This includes other in-stream structures placed at the inlet with the purpose to reduce sedimentation within the stream crossing. It is acceptable for a portion of the water to pass over the structure if it is designed to be overtopped. Culverts must be the shortest length necessary to meet the project purpose, and a single culvert is encouraged.
- Drop boxes or other structures placed at the inlet with the purpose to reduce sedimentation within the stream crossing are not allowed. Culvert must be the shortest length necessary to meet the project purpose.
- New or replacement culverts, in conjunction with the associated fill material, shall have an appropriately sized opening that allows water flow through and over the crossing that is relative to the bankfull area (See Image 1). For purposes of this regional condition, bankfull area is defined as the height and width of the stream channel within the project to the top of the high bank(s). In addition, if elevations differ on both sides of the stream the lowest elevation shall be used as the height. The following basic guidelines shall be used when designing new or replacement crossing projects:

Stream Type	% of crossing profile that shall remain open
Perennial	Designed to allow an 85% opening to include the culvert(s) and area above the crossing up to the bankfull area.
Intermittent	Designed to allow a 50% opening to include the culvert(s) and area above the crossing up to the bankfull area.

Image 1



- For permanent crossings, the culvert must be embedded and backfilled below the grade of the stream on both the upstream and downstream sides  $\geq 1$  foot for culverts  $>48$  inches. On culverts  $\leq 48$  inches the bottom of the culvert must be placed at a depth below or at the natural stream bottom to provide for aquatic organism passage during low flow conditions. Culverts in streams with non-erodible beds (i.e. bedrock or stable clay) must be constructed flush with the stream bed, but do not need to be embedded. Culverts in streams with highly erodible beds must be embedded deeper to lessen the chance of future perching due to downstream degradation and may be accompanied with other grade control measures to prevent erosion while maintaining General Condition (2) Aquatic Life Movements.

### Low Water Crossings:

- The applicant must notify the District Engineer when repairing, rehabilitating or replacing low water crossings when discharges of dredged or fill material would raise or lower the lowest elevation of the crossing.
- When replacing or removing low water crossings the applicant must propose and employ measures to mitigate for and minimize the potential of streambed headcutting where channel incision has occurred downstream of the structure and the structure is providing grade control that is preventing channel incision from migrating upstream.