











## **Riparian Feature Specific Management Guidelines**

**Category 1:** Ephemeral wetlands, intermittent streams, hillside seeps, other unique hydrologic features.

- No equipment entry within 25-50+ft of riparian feature edge.
- Minimize presence of hard stand boundary when RMZ is adjacent to even-age management unit, by feathering stand edge. (Ideally use individual tree marking to accomplish feathered result leaving 60-70% crown closure)

**Category 2:** All ponds, wetlands, and pond/wetland complexes less than 10 acres in size, all 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> order streams.

- No equipment entry within 75ft of riparian feature edge.
- Minimize presence of hard stand boundary when RMZ is adjacent to even-age management unit, by feathering stand edge. (Ideally use individual tree marking to accomplish feathered result leaving 60-70% crown closure)
- Consider using multi-age management in RMZ if operational area is large enough to permit reasonable application of silvicultural system.
- Consider ways to integrate RMZ habitat attributes into management activities in adjacent management units.

**Category 3:** All ponds, wetlands, and pond/wetland complexes greater than 10 acres in size, and all 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> order streams.

- No equipment entry within 100ft of riparian feature edge.
- Minimize presence of hard stand boundary when RMZ is adjacent to even-age management unit, by feathering stand edge of operational unit. (Ideally use individual tree marking to accomplish feathered result leaving 60-70% crown closure)
- Strongly consider using multi-age management in RMZ if area is large enough to permit reasonable application of desired silvicultural system.
- Strongly consider ways to integrate RMZ habitat attributes into management activities in adjacent operational management units.



