

AG. WATER QUALITY ACT



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TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

FUNDING ASSISTANCE

IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

SILVICULTURE IN WETLAND AREAS

SILVICULTURE BMP #10



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Description:

Implement additional protections when conducting silvicultural activities near forested wetlands.

AWQA Minimum Requirements:

1. When silvicultural activities including harvesting are implemented in **wetlands**, additional BMPs shall be used including: minimizing construction of roads, locating landings on higher ground, and minimizing vehicle traffic.
2. Crossing of streams and sloughs should be avoided. If not possible follow appropriate stream crossing requirements of BMP 1.

Technical References

University Publications

- See “[Silviculture in Wetland Areas](#)” in the current version of [Kentucky Forest Practice Guidelines for Water Quality Management](#) for detailed specifications concerning silvicultural activity in those areas classified as “wetland.”
- See MR 10.1 & 10.2 in [Kentucky Logging BMP Field Guide](#) on page 16 and throughout.

Funding Assistance Options

Kentucky Ag. Development Fund (KADB/KAFC)

- Select from available program options [here](#).

NRCS Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)

- Select from available program options [here](#).

Important Considerations

Water Quality Benefit (💧-💧💧💧): 💧
(KEY: 💧=good, 💧💧💧=best: see [STEPL Model](#))