

# Stream Compensatory Mitigation: The Watershed Approach

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The 2008 Rule requires that the Corps “use a watershed approach to establish compensatory mitigation requirements in DA permits to the extent appropriate and practicable.” (33 C.F.R. § 332.3(c)(1)). Stream compensatory mitigation guidance documents generally do not address in detail what a watershed approach entails or provide specific instructions on how watershed concerns should influence site selection or mitigation design, especially when watershed plans are absent. This webinar will examine watershed approach guidance. First, Nick Miller (Science Director, The Nature Conservancy in Wisconsin) will provide an overview of a watershed approach framework and TNC's experience with the development of an online decision support tool for a watershed approach. Then, Tim Baumgartner (NC DMS) will discuss watershed planning in North Carolina and how it is applied to ILF decision-making. Finally, Dana Hicks (Oregon Department of State Lands) will focus on how Oregon has integrated the watershed approach into mitigation policy with a focus on the state's stream assessment tool.

Panelists include:

- **Nick Miller:** Director of Science and Strategy, The Nature Conservancy in Wisconsin
- **Tim Baumgartner:** Director, Division of Mitigation Services, North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality
- **Dana Hicks:** Planning and Policy Manager, Oregon Department of State Lands

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