

## NO SURFACE OCCUPANCY STIPULATION

### STREAMS, WATERBODIES, RIPARIAN, WETLAND, AND FLOODPLAINS

**Stipulation:** Surface occupancy and use is prohibited within perennial or intermittent streams (as indicated by obligate wetland species or hydric soils), lakes, ponds, reservoirs, 100-year floodplains, wetlands, and riparian areas.

On the lands described below:

**Objective:** To protect the unique biological and hydrological features and functions associated with perennial and intermittent streams, lakes, ponds, reservoirs, floodplains, wetlands, and riparian areas.

**Exception:** No exceptions would be allowed in streams, natural lakes, or wetlands. An exception may be granted by the AO for riparian areas and floodplains, if the operator can demonstrate that:

- there are no practicable alternatives to locating facilities in these areas,
- the proposed actions would maintain or enhance resource functions, and
- all reclamation goals and objectives would be met.

**Modification:** The AO may modify the boundaries of the stipulated area if it is determined that portions of the leasehold do not include these types of areas.

**Waiver:** The AO may waive this stipulation if it is determined that the entire leasehold does not include these types of areas.