**STANDARD TEMPORARY STREAM CROSSING OPTION**

**EFFECTIVE: 05/15/20**

**INSTALLATION NOTES:**
1. REFER TO "NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF FOREST RESOURCES" LITERATURE, INSTALLATION MAINTENANCE GUIDELINES, & "NORTH CAROLINA FORESTRY BMP MANUAL—2006".
2. INSTALL WATER DIVERSION DEVICES (WATER BARS, TURNOUTS, BROAD-BASED DIPS, ETC.) ON BOTH SIDES OF THE MATS.
3. STABILIZE EXPOSED MINERAL SOIL WITH TREE TOPS OR BRUSH DURING MAT INSTALLATION, AND SEEDING/MULCH AFTER MAT REMOVAL.
4. INSTALL MATS TO CREATE A MINIMUM TEN FOOT BRIDGE WIDTH.
5. INCLUDE COARSE AGGREGATE ON THE APPROACHWAY FOR A MINIMUM OF 25 FEET AND SILT FENCE ALONG STREAMBANKS ADJACENT TO CROSSING FOR A MINIMUM OF 25 FEET.

**MAINTENANCE NOTES:**
1. KEEP MATS' SURFACE FREE OF MINERAL SOIL AND DEBRIS THAT COULD ENTER STREAM.
2. PERIODICALLY CHECK MAT HARDWARE; RETIGHTEN NUTS & CABLE CLAMPS AS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN BRIDGE STRENGTH AND INTEGRITY.
3. IMMEDIATELY REMOVE ANY DEBRIS WHICH ENTERS THE STREAM AT THE CROSSING LOCATION.

**REMOVAL NOTES:**
1. CLEAN OFF BRIDGE SURFACE.
2. REMOVE MATS BY USING MAT CABLE LOOP OR SKIDDER GRAPPLE.
3. PERMANENTLY STABILIZE DISTURBED PORTIONS OF STREAMBANK AND APPROACH ROADS WITH PERENNIAL GRASSES/MULCH (OR WETLAND MIX WHEN APPLICABLE).
4. LEAVE APPROPRIATE WATER DIVERSION STRUCTURES IN PLACE ON BOTH SIDES OF STREAM.
5. RESTORE THE STREAM CHANNEL TO ITS ORIGINAL CROSS-SECTION, AND SMOOTH AND APPROPRIATELY STABILIZE ALL DISTURBED AREAS.