

**ANM33 - Riparian buffer, terrestrial and aquatic wildlife habitat**  
*New Mexico Supplemental Criteria*

**Conditions Where Enhancement Applies**

- I. Existing riparian forest buffers are areas predominantly composed of trees/shrubs 15 feet wide measured perpendicular to the water course or water body.

Existing riparian herbaceous buffers must meet minimum requirements:

Minimum width, per side, least 2.5-times the stream width (based on the horizontal distance between bankfull elevations *or*

Thirty-five (35) feet wide measured perpendicular to a water body, including: lakes, wetlands, cienegas, and playas.

**Criteria**

- I. Buffers shall not be disturbed during the Primary Wildlife Nesting Period: April 15th to July 15th.
- II. A plant lists for woody riparian species (native trees/shrubs) can be found in ANM05. A list of riparian herbaceous plant species can be found in ANM32.

Additional resources can be found in Biology Technical Note No. 57.

