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- **Permittee-Responsible Mitigation:** A permittee may be required to provide compensatory mitigation through an aquatic resource restoration, establishment, enhancement, and/or preservation activity. The compensatory mitigation may be provided at or adjacent to the impact site (i.e., on-site mitigation) or at another location, usually within the same watershed as the permitted impact (i.e., off-site mitigation). Compensatory mitigation usually requires the mitigation area to be larger than the impacted area; for example, a permit may require 1.5:1 mitigation ratio for a created wetland. The permittee retains responsibility for the implementation and success of the mitigation project.

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