To whom it may concern,

I have a forested property in the western cypress and hardwoods region and would like to see some flexibility in the allowable works in and around the exclusion zones of streams. In particular I have some first order streams that are heavily forested with cypress pine regrowth. As you would be aware, cypress often forms a deadlock when regrowth is thick which results in a pause of any growth on any trees or groundcover. I think it should at least be allowable to thin out and gently harvest (single tree and chainsaw rather than machine) cypress in these areas. Perhaps the code could stipulate a minimum amount of erosion prevention to be completed during harvesting operations to further reduce the risk of negative impact to the area?

Will look forward to the updated code,

Eric Butler