

# ENVIRONMENTAL ACRONYMS

ACRONYM	COMPLETE NAME	DESCRIPTION
<b>AST</b>	Aboveground Storage Tank	Usually store petroleum, hazardous waste, or other hazardous material.
<b>BMP</b>	Best Management Practice	Storm water BMPs are control devices or treatment techniques used to reduce the quantity, and/or improve the quality, of storm water runoff.
<b>CREC</b>	Controlled Recognized Environmental Conditions	A previously identified hazard that has been remediated to the satisfaction of the applicable agency.
<b>EDR</b>	Environmental Database Report	Identifies sites with real or potential environmental issues.
<b>EPA</b>	Environmental Protection Agency	An independent agency of the United States federal government for environmental protection.
<b>ERR</b>	Endangered Resource Review	An ER Review is a screening of a proposed project area for potential impacts to endangered resources like rare plants, animals and natural communities. They are conducted for a wide variety of land management, development and planning projects.
<b>ESA</b>	Environmental Site Assessment	May involve a review of records, site inspection, sampling, and/or interviews with relevant individuals to determine the presence of environmental contaminants.
<b>FEMA</b>	Federal Emergency Management Agency	Federal agency responsible for helping people before, during, and after disasters. Determine all flood hazard zones.
<b>GP</b>	General Permit	A document issued by an agency acknowledging that the applicant will follow necessary requirements.
<b>HREC</b>	Historic Recognized Environmental Conditions	Past release that has been remediated to below "residential" standards and given regulatory closure with no use restrictions.
<b>IP</b>	Individual Permit	Permit needed when the scope of a project is beyond that which can be covered by a general permit.
<b>MS4</b>	Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System	A permit assigned to municipalities by WDNR which requires a reduction in polluted storm water runoff. The reduction measures are required to be tracked and monitored using inspections, reports, and program documents that are supplied to WDNR at required intervals.
<b>NEPA</b>	National Environmental Policy Act	U.S. law that requires agencies to assess environmental impacts of their projects.
<b>NHI</b>	Natural Heritage Inventory	A comprehensive database of rare species information.
<b>NOI</b>	Notice of Intent	A document submitted to a permitting agency which certifies the applicator will comply with the permit requirements regarding storm water discharge.
<b>NOT</b>	Notice of Termination	A document submitted to a permitting agency which constitutes notice that the applicant will no longer be discharging storm water related to construction or industrial activity.

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<b>NRCS</b>	Natural Resource Conservation Service	U.S. agency that provides technical assistance to farmers and other private landowners. Formerly known as the Soil Conservation Service (SCS).
<b>REC</b>	Recognized Environmental Conditions	Term used in environmental site assessment reports to indicate the presence or likely presence of hazardous substances or petroleum products in, at, or on a property.
<b>SWDV</b>	Surface Water Data Viewer	A WDNR data delivery system that provides interactive webmapping tools for chemical, physical, and biological data.
<b>SWMP</b>	Storm Water Management Plan	A plan that outlines measures taken to reduce pollutants such as Total Suspended Solids and phosphorus in storm water runoff.
<b>SWPPP</b>	Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan	A SWPPP is a site-specific document which identifies sources of storm water pollution and explains the measures that are in place (such as BMPs) to reduce the impact of those pollutants.
<b>T&amp;E</b>	Threatened and Endangered	Threatened and Endangered Species.
<b>TMDL</b>	Total Maximum Daily Load	The TMDL is the EPA-defined maximum amount of pollutants that a permitted area is allowed to discharge to meet water quality standards for a specific pollutant.
<b>TSS</b>	Total Suspended Solids	TSS is evaluated as a measurement of water quality.
<b>USACE</b>	United States Army Corps of Engineers	U.S. federal agency under the Department of Defense that primarily oversees dams, canals, and flood protection.
<b>USDA</b>	United States Department of Agriculture	U.S. federal executive department responsible for developing and executing federal laws related to farming, forestry, rural economic development, and food.
<b>USGS</b>	United States Geological Survey	U.S. scientific agency that studies the landscape of the United States, its natural resources, and natural threats.
<b>UST</b>	Underground Storage Tank	A storage tank with at least 10% of its volume underground.
<b>WDNR</b>	Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources	State agency responsible for the conservation and management of Wisconsin's natural resources.
<b>WOTUS</b>	Waters of the United States	Bodies of water regulated under the federal Clean Water Act.
<b>WRAPP</b>	Water Resources Application for Project Permits	Permit obtained from WDNR for construction site storm water coverage. This document certifies that the applicant will implement the Construction Site Storm Water Runoff General Permit No. WI-S067831-5.
<b>WWI</b>	Wisconsin Wetland Inventory	Database containing state wetland maps.
<b>WWTF</b>	Wastewater Treatment Facility	Facility where a combination of processes are used to treat wastewater and remove pollutants.

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