

**APPENDIX B**

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<b>AAAS</b>	American Association for the Advancement of Science	<b>ECOHAB</b>	Ecological Oceanography of Harmful Algal Blooms
<b>APD</b>	Application for Permit to Drill	<b>EEZ</b>	Exclusive Economic Zone
<b>APHIS</b>	Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service	<b>EFH</b>	Essential Fish Habit
<b>APPS</b>	Act to Prevent Pollution from Ships	<b>EHRC</b>	Estuary Habitat Restoration Council
<b>ARS</b>	Agriculture Research Service	<b>EIS</b>	Environmental Impact Statement
<b>ASMFC</b>	Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission	<b>EOP</b>	Executive Office of the President
<b>AUV</b>	Autonomous Underwater Vehicle	<b>EPA</b>	Environmental Protection Agency
<b>BEA</b>	Bureau of Economic Analysis	<b>EROS</b>	Earth Resources Observation Systems
<b>BEACH Act</b>	Beaches Environmental Assessment and Coastal Health Act of 2000	<b>EROSDC</b>	Earth Resources Observation Systems Data Centers
<b>BLM</b>	Bureau of Land Management	<b>ESA</b>	Endangered Species Act
<b>BLS</b>	Bureau of Labor Statistics	<b>ESP</b>	Environmental Studies Program
<b>BOR</b>	Bureau of Reclamation	<b>FAA</b>	Federal Aviation Administration
<b>BTS</b>	Bureau of Transportation Statistics	<b>FAO</b>	Food and Agriculture Organization
<b>CAA</b>	Clean Air Act Amendments	<b>FDA</b>	Food and Drug Administration
<b>CAFO</b>	Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation	<b>FEMA</b>	Federal Emergency Management Agency
<b>CALFED</b>	California Bay-Delta Program	<b>FERC</b>	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
<b>CBD</b>	Convention on Biological Diversity	<b>FGDC</b>	Federal Geographic Data Committee
<b>CBRA</b>	Coastal Barrier Resources Act	<b>FMC</b>	Federal Maritime Commission
<b>CDC</b>	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	<b>FPA</b>	Federal Power Act
<b>CDIAC</b>	Carbon Dioxide Information Analysis Center	<b>GAO</b>	General Accounting Office
<b>CEIP</b>	Coastal Energy Impact Plan	<b>GDP</b>	Gross Domestic Product
<b>CEQ</b>	Council on Environmental Quality	<b>GLFC</b>	Great Lakes Fishery Commission
<b>CERCLA</b>	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act	<b>GOES</b>	Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellites
<b>CIAP</b>	Coastal Impact Assistance Program	<b>GOOS</b>	Global Ocean Observing System
<b>CIESIN</b>	Center for International Earth Science Information Network	<b>GPA</b>	Global Program of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-Based Sources
<b>CITES</b>	Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora	<b>GSFC</b>	Goddard Space Flight Center
<b>COOL</b>	Coastal Ocean Observation Laboratory	<b>GSMFC</b>	Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission
<b>CORE</b>	Coastal and Ocean Resource Economics	<b>HAB</b>	Harmful Algal Bloom
<b>CORM</b>	Committee on Ocean Resource Management	<b>HACCP</b>	Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point
<b>COSETO</b>	Committee on Ocean Science, Education, Technology, and Operations	<b>H2O</b>	Hilltops-To-Oceans
<b>COSEE</b>	Centers for Ocean Science Education Excellence	<b>ICRI</b>	International Coral Reef Initiative
<b>CWA</b>	Clean Water Act	<b>IDOE</b>	International Decade of Ocean Exploration
<b>CWPPRA</b>	Coastal Wetland Planning, Protection, and Restoration Act	<b>IFQs</b>	Individual Fishing Quotas
<b>CWSRF</b>	Clean Water State Revolving Fund	<b>IMO</b>	International Maritime Organization
<b>CZARA</b>	Coastal Zone Act Reauthorization Amendments	<b>IMPROVE</b>	Interagency Monitoring of Protected Visual Environments Program
<b>CZMA</b>	Coastal Zone Management Act	<b>IOC</b>	U.N. Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
<b>DAACs</b>	Distributed Active Archive Centers	<b>IOOS</b>	Integrated Ocean Observing System
<b>DDT</b>	Dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane	<b>ITQs</b>	Individual Transferable Quotas
<b>DOC</b>	Department of Commerce	<b>JEA</b>	Joint Enforcement Agreement
<b>DOD</b>	Department of Defense	<b>JSA</b>	Joint Subcommittee on Aquaculture
<b>DOE</b>	Department of Energy	<b>LaRC</b>	Langley Research Center
<b>DOI</b>	Department of the Interior	<b>LME</b>	Large Marine Ecosystem
<b>DOJ</b>	Department of Justice	<b>LNG</b>	Liquefied Natural Gas
<b>DOS</b>	Department of State	<b>LOS Convention</b>	United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea
<b>DOT</b>	Department of Transportation	<b>LWCF</b>	Land and Water Conservation Fund
<b>DPA</b>	Deepwater Port Act	<b>MACT</b>	Maximum Achievable Control Technology
		<b>MARAD</b>	Maritime Administration

<b>MARPOL</b>	International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships	<b>NPS</b>	National Park Service
<b>MEDEA</b>	Measurement of Earth Data for Environmental Analysis	<b>NRC</b>	National Research Council
<b>MERHAB</b>	Monitoring and Event Response for Harmful Algal Blooms	<b>NRCS</b>	National Resource Conservation Service
<b>MERP</b>	Marine Entanglement Research Program	<b>NRS</b>	National Response System
<b>MLA</b>	Mineral Leasing Act	<b>NSB</b>	National Science Board
<b>MMC</b>	Marine Mammal Commission	<b>NSC</b>	National Security Council
<b>MMPA</b>	Marine Mammal Protection Act	<b>NSES</b>	National Science Education Standards
<b>MMS</b>	Minerals Management Service	<b>NSF</b>	National Science Foundation
<b>MOA</b>	Memorandum of Agreement	<b>NSIDC</b>	National Snow and Ice Data Center
<b>MPPRCA</b>	Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act	<b>NSSDC</b>	National Space Science Data Center
<b>MPRSA</b>	Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act	<b>NSTC</b>	National Science and Technology Council
<b>M-S Act</b>	Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act	<b>NWI</b>	National Wetlands Inventory
<b>MSDs</b>	Marine Sanitation Devices	<b>NWS</b>	National Weather Service
<b>MSIs</b>	Minority Serving Institutions	<b>OCS</b>	Outer Continental Shelf
<b>MTBE</b>	Methyl Tertiary Butyl Ether	<b>OCSLA</b>	Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act
<b>MTSA</b>	Maritime Transportation Security Act	<b>OMB</b>	Office of Management and Budget
<b>NACOA</b>	National Advisory Committee on Oceans and Atmosphere	<b>ONR</b>	Office of Naval Research
<b>NANPCA</b>	Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act	<b>OOI</b>	Ocean Observatories Initiative
<b>NAS</b>	National Academy of Sciences	<b>OPA</b>	Oil Pollution Act
<b>NASA</b>	National Aeronautics and Space Administration	<b>ORAP</b>	Ocean Research Advisory Panel
<b>NCDC</b>	National Climatic Data Center	<b>ORNL</b>	Oak Ridge National Laboratory
<b>NDSF</b>	National Deep Submergence Facility	<b>OSTP</b>	Office of Science and Technology Policy
<b>NEIC</b>	National Earthquake Information Center	<b>OTA</b>	Office of Technology Assessment
<b>NEMO</b>	Nonpoint Education for Municipal Officials	<b>OTEC</b>	Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion
<b>NEP</b>	National Estuary Program	<b>PCBs</b>	Polychlorinated biphenyls
<b>NEPA</b>	National Environmental Policy Act	<b>PODAAC</b>	Physical Oceanography Distributed Active Archive Centers
<b>NERRS</b>	National Estuarine Research Reserve System	<b>POES</b>	Polar-orbiting Environmental Satellite
<b>NFIP</b>	National Flood Insurance Program	<b>PSMFC</b>	Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission
<b>NGDC</b>	National Geophysical Data Center	<b>RFMC</b>	Regional Fishery Management Council
<b>NIEHS</b>	National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences	<b>ROV</b>	Remotely Operated Vehicle
<b>NIH</b>	National Institutes of Health	<b>SAR</b>	Synthetic Aperture Radar
<b>NIMA</b>	National Imagery and Mapping Agency	<b>SCOR</b>	Scientific Committee on Oceanic Research
<b>NMEA</b>	National Marine Educators Association	<b>SEDAC</b>	Socioeconomic Data and Applications Center
<b>NMFS</b>	National Marine Fisheries Service	<b>SLA</b>	Submerged Lands Act
<b>NMOC</b>	Naval Meteorological and Oceanography Command	<b>SSC</b>	Scientific and Statistical Committee
<b>NMSA</b>	National Marine Sanctuaries Act	<b>TAO</b>	Tropical Atmosphere Ocean array
<b>NOAA</b>	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	<b>TEU</b>	20-foot Equivalent Units
<b>NOC</b>	National Ocean Council	<b>TMDL</b>	Total Maximum Daily Load
<b>NODC</b>	National Oceanographic Data Center	<b>TOGA</b>	Tropical Global Ocean Atmosphere
<b>NOPA</b>	National Oceanographic Partnership Act	<b>TSA</b>	Transportation Security Agency
<b>NOPP</b>	National Oceanographic Partnership Program	<b>UNCLOS</b>	United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea
<b>NOPS</b>	National Ocean Policy Study	<b>UNEP</b>	United Nations Environment Program
<b>NORLC</b>	National Ocean Research Leadership Council	<b>UNOLS</b>	University-National Oceanographic Laboratory System
<b>NOx</b>	Nitrogen Oxides	<b>USACE</b>	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
<b>NPDES</b>	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System	<b>USAID</b>	U.S. Agency for International Development
		<b>USCG</b>	U.S. Coast Guard
		<b>USDA</b>	U.S. Department of Agriculture
		<b>USEIA</b>	U.S. Energy Information Administration
		<b>USFWS</b>	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
		<b>USGS</b>	U.S. Geological Survey
		<b>USTR</b>	Office of the U.S. Trade Representative
		<b>VMS</b>	Vessel Monitoring Service
		<b>WRDA</b>	Water Resources Development Act
		<b>WTO</b>	World Trade Organization

