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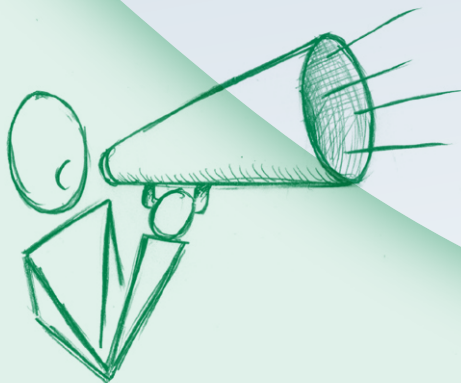
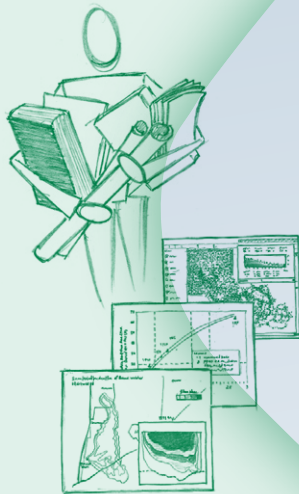
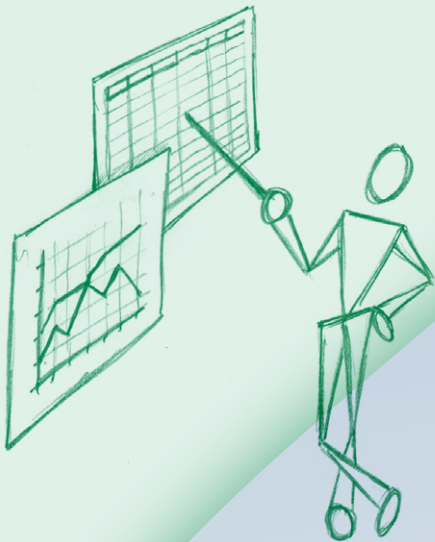
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Acronyms and Abbreviations

There are dozens of acronyms and abbreviations used throughout this handbook. Refer back to this list to help you navigate through the alphabet soup.

ADB	Assessment Database
ADID	advance identification
AFO	animal feeding operation
AGNPS	Agricultural Non-Point Source model
AnnAGNPS	Annualized Agricultural Non-Point Source model
AIEO	American Indian Environmental Office
ARS	Agricultural Research Service
ASIWPCA	Association of State and Interstate Water Pollution Control Administrators
AU	assessment unit
AVIRIS	airborne visible/infrared imaging spectrometer
AVS	acid-volatile sulfide
BASINS	Better Assessment Science Integrating Point and Nonpoint Sources
BEACH	Beaches Environmental Assessment and Coastal Health
BEHI	Bank Erosion Hazard Index
BLM	[U.S.] Bureau of Land Management
BMP	best management practice
BOR	[U.S.] Bureau of Reclamation
CADDIS	Causal Analysis/Diagnosis Decision Information System
CAEDYM	Computational Aquatic Ecosystem Dynamics Model
CAFO	concentrated animal feeding operation
CBOD	carbonaceous biological oxygen demand
C-CAP	Coastal Change Analysis Program
CCMP	comprehensive conservation and management plan
cfs	cubic feet per second
CH3D IMS	Curvilinear grid Hydrodynamics 3D—Integrated Modeling System
CH3D SED	Curvilinear Hydrodynamics 3D—Sediment Transport

CN	.....	curve number
CNE	.....	curve number equation
CNMP	.....	conservation nutrient management plan
COD	.....	chemical oxygen demand
CRC	.....	Cooperative Research Center
CREM	.....	Council for Regulatory Environmental Modeling
CREP	.....	Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program
CRM	.....	crop residue management
CRP	.....	Conservation Reserve Program
CSC	.....	Coastal Services Center
CSO	.....	combined sewer overflow
CSP	.....	Conservation Security Program
CSREES	.....	Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service
CSTR	.....	continuously stirred tank reactor
CTG	.....	composite theme grid
CTIC	.....	Conservation Technology Information Center
CWA	.....	Clean Water Act
CZARA	.....	Coastal Zone Act Reauthorization Amendments
DEM	.....	digital elevation model
DIAS/IDLMAS	....	Dynamic Information Architecture System/Integrated Dynamic Landscape Analysis and Modeling System
DLG	.....	digital line graphs
DO	.....	dissolved oxygen
DOI	.....	[U.S.] Department of the Interior
DOT	.....	[U.S.] Department of Transportation
DQO	.....	data quality objective
DRG	.....	digital raster graphic
ECOMSED	.....	Estuary and Coastal Ocean Model with Sediment Transport
EDAS	.....	Ecological Data Application System
EDNA	.....	Elevation Derivatives for National Application

EFDC	Environmental Fluid Dynamics Code
EMAP	Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Program
EMC	event mean concentration
EPA	[U.S.] Environmental Protection Agency
EPIC	Erosion Productivity Impact Calculator
EQIP	Environmental Quality Incentives Program
ESA	Endangered Species Act
ETM	enhanced thematic mapper
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
FGDC	Federal Geographic Data Committee
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FSA	Farm Service Agency
GAP	Gap Analysis Project
GIRAS	Geographic Information Retrieval and Analysis System
GIS	geographic information system
GISPLM	GIS-Based Phosphorus Loading Model
GLEAMS	Groundwater Loading Effects of Agricultural Management Systems
GLLVHT	Generalized, Longitudinal-Lateral-Vertical Hydrodynamic and Transport
GPS	global positioning system
GRP	Grasslands Reserve Program
GSSHA	Gridded Surface Subsurface Hydrologic Analysis
GWLF	Generalized Watershed Loading Functions
HBI	Hilsenhoff Biotic Index
HCP	habitat conservation plan
HEC-6	Hydraulic Engineering Center-Scour and Deposition in Rivers and Reservoirs
HEC-6T	Hydraulic Engineering Center-Sedimentation in Stream Networks
HEC-HMS	Hydraulic Engineering Center-Hydrologic Modeling System
HEC-RAS	Hydraulic Engineering Center-River Analysis System

HSCTM-2D	Hydrodynamic, Sediment and Contaminant Transport Model
HSPF	Hydrologic Simulation Program–Fortran
HUC	hydrologic unit code
IBI	index of biotic integrity
IDEAL	Integrated Design and Evaluation Assessment of Loadings
I/E	information/education
IMP	integrated management practices
IPM	integrated pest management
kg/ha/yr	kilograms per hectare per year
kg/yr	kilograms per year
KINEROS2	Kinematic Runoff and Erosion Model, v2
lb/d	pounds per day
LID	low impact development
LIDAR	light detection and ranging
LSPC	Loading Simulation Program in C++
LULC	land use/land cover
MDC	minimal detectable change
mg/L	milligrams per liter
MINTEQA2	Metal Speciation Equilibrium Model for Surface and Ground Water
MQO	measurement quality objective
MRLC	Multi-resolution Land Characteristics
MS4	municipal separate storm sewer systems
MSGP	multi-sector general permit
MUIR	map unit interpretation record
MUSIC	Model for Urban Stormwater Improvement Conceptualization
MVUE	Minimum Variance Unbiased Estimator
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
NAWQA	National Water-Quality Assessment
NCDC	National Climatic Data Center
NDVI	normalized difference vegetation index

NED	.....	National Elevation Dataset
NEIPCC	.....	New England Interstate Pollution Control Commission
NEMI	.....	National Environmental Methods Index
NEP	.....	National Estuary Program
NGO	.....	non-governmental organization
NHD	.....	National Hydrography Dataset
NIR	.....	near-infrared
NLCD	.....	National Land Cover Dataset
NLFA	.....	National Listing of Fish Advisories
NOAA	.....	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NPDES	.....	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
NPS	.....	nonpoint source
NRCS	.....	Natural Resources Conservation Service
NRI	.....	National Resources Inventory
NSFC	.....	National Small Flows Clearinghouse
NSI	.....	National Sediment Inventory
NTTS	.....	National TMDL Tracking System
NTU	.....	nephelometric turbidity unit
NWI	.....	National Wetlands Inventory
NWIS	.....	National Water Information System
O&M	.....	operation and maintenance
OMB	.....	[U.S.] Office of Management and Budget
ORSANCO	.....	Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission
OSM	.....	Office of Surface Mining
P8-UCM	.....	Program for Predicting Polluting Particle Passage through Pits, Puddles, and Ponds—Urban Catchment Model
PAH	.....	polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon
PBMS	.....	Performance-Based Methods System
PCS	.....	Permit Compliance System
PGC-BMP	.....	Prince George’s County Best Management Practice Module

POTW	publicly owned treatment works
PSA	public service announcement
QAPP	quality assurance project plan
QA/QC	quality assurance/quality control
QHEI	Qualitative Habitat Evaluation Index
QUAL2E	Enhanced Stream Water Quality Model
RBP	Rapid Bioassessment Protocol
REMM	Riparian Ecosystem Management Model
RF1	Reach File Version 1
RF2	Reach File Version 2
RF3-Alpha	Reach File Version 3 - Alpha
RMP	resource management plan
RPD	relative percent difference
RSAT	Rapid Stream Assessment Technique
RUSLE	Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation
SAMP	Special Area Management Plan
SAP	sampling and analysis plan
SAR	synthetic aperture radar
SCS	Soil Conservation Service
SDWA	Safe Drinking Water Act
SED3D	Three-dimensional Numerical Model of Hydrodynamics and Sediment Transport in Lakes and Estuaries
SEM	simultaneously extracted metals
SET	Site Evaluation Tool
SLAMM	Source Loading and Management Model
SOP	standard operating procedure
SPARROW	Spatially Referenced Regression on Watershed Attributes
SRF	State Revolving Fund
SSO	sanitary sewer overflow
SSURGO	Soil Survey Geographic Database

STATSGO	State Soil Geographic Database
STEPL	Spreadsheet Tool for Estimating Pollutant Load
STORET	Storage and Retrieval
STORM	Storage, Treatment, Overflow, Runoff Model
SVAP	Stream Visual Assessment Protocol
SWA	source water assessment
SWAP	Source Water Assessment Program
SWAT	Soil and Water Assessment Tool
SWCD	Soil and Water Conservation District
SWCP	soil and water conservation plan
SWMM	Storm Water Management Model
SWP	source water protection
SWPP	source water protection plan
SWPPP	stormwater pollution prevention plan
TCEQ	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
TDS	total dissolved solids
TIGER	Topologically Integrated Geographic Encoding and Referencing
TKN	total Kjeldahl nitrogen
TM	thematic mapper
TMDL	Total Maximum Daily Load
TOC	total organic carbon
TP	total phosphorus
TSI	Carlson's Trophic Status Index
TSP	technical service provider
TSS	total suspended solids
USACE	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
μS/cm	microsiemens per centimeter
USDA	U.S. Department of Agriculture
USFWS	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
USGS	U.S. Geological Survey

USLE	Universal Soil Loss Equation
UTM	universal transverse mercator
VAFSWM	Virginia Field Scale Wetland Model
VFSMOD	Vegetative Filter Strip Model
VSAP	Visual Stream Assessment Protocol
WAMView	Watershed Assessment Model with an ArcView Interface
WARMF	Watershed Analysis Risk Management Framework
WASP	Water Quality Analysis Simulation Program
WATERS	Watershed Assessment, Tracking and Environmental Results System
WATERSHEDSS ..	WATER, Soil, and Hydro-Environmental Decision Support System
WBD	watershed boundary dataset
WCS	Watershed Characterization System
WEPP	Water Erosion Prediction Project
WHP	wellhead protection
WinHSPF	Interactive Windows Interface to HSPF
WMS	Watershed Modeling System
WQS	water quality standard
WRAS	Watershed Restoration Action Strategy
WRDA	Water Resources Development Act
WWTP	wastewater treatment plant