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| AEOLOS | Atmospheric Exchange Over Lakes and Oceans Study |
| AFRI | Acute febrile respiratory illness |
| AHA | American Hospital Association |
| AIS | Aquatic invasive species |
| ALC | American Land Conservancy |
| ANS | Aquatic nuisance species |
| APHIS | Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service |
| AOCs | Areas of Concern |
| A/OFRC | Anishnawbec/Ontario Fisheries Resource Center |
| AOX | Adsorbable Organic Halides |
| APE | Alkylphenol ethoxylates |
| ATSDR | U.S. Agency for Toxic Substances and Diseases Registry |
| BEC | Binational Executive Committee |
| BIA | Bureau of Indian Affairs |
| BLS | Bureau of Labor Statistics |
| BMIC | Bay Mills Indian Community |
| BMP | Best Management Practice |
| BNP | Binational Program |
| BOD | Biological oxygen demand |
| BR | Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa |
| BRI | Biodiversity Research Institute |
| BRNRD | Bad River Natural Resources Department |
| BSC | Bird Studies Canada |
| BTS | Binational Toxics Strategy |
| BWCAW | Boundary Water Canoe Area Wilderness |
| CAA | Clean Air Act (U.S.) |
| CAMNet | Canadian Atmospheric Mercury Measurement Network |
| CARD | Community Awareness Review and Development |
| CBG | Census Block Group |
| CCL | Contaminated Candidates List |
| CC/WQR | Consumer Confidence Report/Water Quality Report |
| CDD | Chlorinated dibenzo-p-dioxins |
| CEA | Conservation Easement Agreements |
| CEC | North American Commission for Environmental Cooperation |
| CEPA | Canadian Environmental Protection Act |
| CERCLA | Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (U.S.) |

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| CFR | Code of Federal Regulations |
| CFS | Cubic feet per second |
| CITES | Committee on International Trade in Endangered Species |
| CLSLC | Central Lake Superior Land Conservancy |
| CLSWP | Central Lake Superior Watershed Partnership |
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| COTFMA | Chippewa/Ottawa Treaty Fishery Management Authority |
| CREP | Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program |
| CSD | Census Subdivision |
| CSO | Combined sewer overflow |
| CTC | Connecting-the-Coasts |
| CUE | Catch per Unit Effort |
| CWA | Clean Water Act (U.S.) |
| CWAP | Clean Water Action Plan |
| CWRP | Corporate Wetlands Restoration Partnership |
| CWS | Canadian Wildlife Service |
| DAPTF | Declining Amphibian Population Task Force |
| DDE | 1,1-dichloro-2,2-bis (p-chlorophenyl) ethylene |
| DDT | 1,1,1-trichloro-2,2-bis (p-chlorophenyl) ethane |
| DSC | Developing Sustainability Committee |
| DU | Ducks Unlimited |
| DWA | Drinking Water Academy |
| DWSP | Ontario Ministry of Environment's Drinking Water Surveillance Program |
| E. coli | Escherichia coli |
| EA | Enumeration Area |
| EAB | Emerald Ash Borer |
| EC | Environment Canada |
| EPA | United States Environmental Protection Agency |
| EPCRA | Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (U.S.) |
| EPO | Ecosystem Principles and Objectives for Lake Superior |
| ESRI | Environmental Systems Research Institute |
| FAQs | Frequently Asked Questions |
| FCM | Federation of Canadian Municipalities |
| FDL | Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa |
| FIFRA | Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (U.S.) |
| FON | Federation of Ontario Naturalists |
| FSL | Forest Science Laboratory |
| FT | Feet |

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| FWCA | Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act |
| FWS | United States Fish and Wildlife Service |
| g | Grams |
| GEOSS | Global Earth Observation System of Systems |
| GHG | Green House Gas |
| GI | Gastro-intestinal |
| GIS | Geographical Information Systems |
| GLBA | Great Lakes Beach Association |
| GLBTDP | Great Lakes Ballast Water Technology Demonstration Project |
| GLC | Great Lakes Commission |
| GLERL | Great Lakes Environmental Research Laboratory |
| GLFC | Great Lakes Fishery Commission |
| GLFMP | Great Lakes Fish Monitoring Program |
| GLFT | Great Lakes Fishery Trust |
| GLI | Great Lake Initiative |
| GLIFWC | Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission |
| GLIN | Great Lakes Information Network |
| GLLA | Great Lakes Legacy Act |
| GLNPO | Great Lakes National Program Office |
| GLPHN | Great Lakes Public Health Network |
| GLRC | Great Lakes Regional Collaboration |
| GLWQA | Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement |
| GLSC | Great Lakes Science Center |
| GLSF | Great Lakes Sustainability Fund |
| GP | Grand Portage Band of Lake Superior Chippewa |
| Ha | Hectare |
| HCB | Hexachlorobenzene |
| Hg | Mercury |
| HYSPLIT | Hybrid Single Particle Lagrangian Integrated Trajectory |
| IADN | Integrated Atmospheric Deposition Network |
| IEOS | Integrated Earth Observation System |
| IJC | International Joint Commission (IJC) |
| IMAR | Inventory, Monitoring, Assessment and Reporting |
| IOOS | Integrated Ocean Observing System |
| ITFAP | Inter-Tribal Fisheries and Assessment Program |
| KBIC | Keweenaw Bay Indian Community |
| km | Kilometer |
| L | Liter |

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| LaMP | Lakewide Management Plan |
| LCO | Lac Courte Oreilles |
| LPBO | Long Point Bird Observatory |
| LNFAU | Lake Nipigon Fisheries Assessment Unit |
| LSB | Lake Superior Basin |
| LSBP | Lake Superior Binational Program |
| LSC | Lake Superior Chippewa |
| LSDSS | Lake Superior Decision Support System |
| LSHC | Habitat Committee of the Lake Superior Binational Program |
| LSLTP | Lake Superior Land Trust Partnership |
| LSSU | Lake Superior State University |
| LVD Tribe | Lac Vieux Desert Tribe |
| m | Meters |
| MAC | Maximum Acceptable Concentration |
| MACT | Maximum Available Control Technology |
| MAS | Michigan Audubon Society |
| MCL | Maximum Contaminant Level |
| MCR | Midcontinent rift |
| MCRBMA | Mercury-Containing and Rechargeable Battery Management Act of 1996 |
| MDEQ | Michigan Department of Environmental Quality |
| MDN | Mercury Deposition Network |
| ME | Maine |
| MED | U.S. EPA's Mid-Continent Ecology Division in Duluth |
| MEI | Morphoedaphic Index |
| MI | Michigan |
| MI DNR | Michigan Department of Natural Resources |
| MI LPA | Michigan Loon Preservation Association |
| MI NFI | Michigan Natural Features Inventory |
| MINGF | Michigan Non Game Fund |
| MITA | Michigan Trappers Association |
| MN | Minnesota |
| MN DNR | Minnesota Department of Natural Resources |
| MOH | Medical Officers of Health |
| MOHLTC | Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care |
| MOA | Memorandum of Agreement |
| MOU | Memorandum of Understanding |
| MPCA | Minnesota Pollution Control Agency |
| MSU | Michigan State University |

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| MTU | Michigan Technological University |
| MVEC | Mean vertical extinction coefficients |
| NABS | National Ballast Survey |
| NAFEC | North American Fund for Environmental Cooperation |
| NAFTA | North American Free Trade Agreement |
| NANPCA | Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990 |
| NATA | National Air Toxics Assessment |
| NCES | Northcentral Experiment Station |
| NGO | Non Government Organization |
| NHIC | Natural Heritage Information Center |
| NISA | National Invasive Species Act |
| NL | National Lakeshore |
| NMCA | National Marine Conservation Area of Canada |
| NMU | Northern Michigan University |
| NOAA | National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration |
| NOBOB | “no ballast on board” |
| NP | National Park |
| NPDES | National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System |
| NPDWR | National Primary Drinking Water Regulations |
| NPS | National Park Service |
| NRCS | Natural Resource Conservation Service |
| NRRI | Natural Resources Research Institute |
| NWF | National Wildlife Federation |
| NWI | National Wetland Inventory |
| NWR | National Wildlife Refuge |
| NYSDEC | New York State Department of Environmental Conservation |
| OAR | Office of Air and Radiation |
| OCS | Octachlorostyrene |
| OFMF | Ontario Fur Managers Federation |
| OFO | Ontario Field Ornithologists |
| OGWDW | Office of Groundwater and Drinking Water |
| OIA | Ottawa Interpretive Association |
| OIRW | Outstanding International Resource Water |
| OME | Ontario Ministry of the Environment (OME) |
| OMEE | Ontario Ministry of Environment and Energy |
| OMNR | Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources |
| OMOE | Ontario Ministry of the Environment |
| ON | Ontario |

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| ONRW | Outstanding National Resource Waters |
| ORD | Office of Research and Development |
| OST | Office of Science and Technology |
| OTA | Office of Technology Assessment |
| OW | Office of Water |
| P2 | Pollution Prevention |
| PACs | Public Advisory Committees |
| PAHs | Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons |
| PBB | Polybrominated biphenyls |
| PBDEs | Polybrominated Diphenyl Ethers |
| PBT | Persistent bioaccumulative toxic |
| PCBs | Polychlorinated biphenyls |
| PCNs | Polychlorinated Naphthalenes |
| PCP | Pentachlorophenol |
| PEAC | Pacific Environmental Advocacy Center |
| PFOA | Perfluorooctanoic acid |
| PFOS | Perfluorooctane sulfonate |
| POM | Polycyclic organic matter |
| POP | Persistent organic pollutants |
| POTW | Publicly Owned Treatment Works (wastewater treatment) |
| RAPs | Remedial Action Plans |
| RC | Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa |
| RCFD | Red Cliff Fisheries Department |
| RCRA | Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (U.S.) |
| RD | Ranger District |
| REMAP | Regional Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Project |
| RETAP | Retired Engineer Training and Assistance Program |
| RGS | Ruffed Grouse Society |
| SARA | Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (U.S.) |
| SDWA | Safe Drinking Water Act |
| SERC | Smithsonian Environmental Research Center |
| SGNIS | Sea Grant Nonindigenous Species Site |
| SLC | Sea Lamprey Control |
| SOEI | Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute |
| SOLEC | State of the Lakes Ecosystem Conference |
| SSO | Sanitary Sewer Overflow |
| SWAP | Source Water Assessment and Protection Program |
| SWG | Superior Work Group |

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| SWMRS | Seasonal Water Monitoring and Reporting System |
| SWPP | Source Water Protection Program |
| TAS | Treatment as State |
| TCBO | Thunder Cape Bird Observatory |
| TCDD | 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin |
| TCDF | 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzofurans |
| TEA | Toronto Entomologists Association |
| TEACH | Toxicity and Exposure Assessment for Children's Health |
| TEQ | Toxic equivalence quotient |
| THMs | Trihalomethanes |
| TIE | Toxicity identification and evaluation |
| TMDL | Total Maximum Daily Load |
| TNC | The Nature Conservancy |
| TOC | Total Organic Carbon |
| TPH | Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons |
| TSCA | Toxic Substances Control Act (U.S.) |
| TU | Trout Unlimited |
| TWC | Terrestrial Wildlife Committee |
| TWCC | Terrestrial Wildlife Community Committee |
| U of MN | University of Minnesota |
| UNDERC | University of Notre Dame Environmental Research Center |
| UP | Upper Peninsula |
| UPPCO | Upper Peninsula Power Company |
| UPRCD | Upper Peninsula Recreation, Conservation and Development |
| U.S. | United States |
| USCG | United States Coast Guard |
| USDA | United States Department of Agriculture |
| US EPA | United States Environmental Protection Agency |
| USFS | United States Forest Service |
| USFWS | United States Fish and Wildlife Service |
| USGS | United States Geological Survey |
| USGS-BRD | United States Geological Survey - Biological Resources Division |
| UV-B | Ultraviolet Radiation |
| UWSP | University of Wisconsin Stevens Point |
| VMS | Volcanogenic massive sulphide |
| WCMP | Wisconsin Coastal Management Program |
| WDNR | Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources |
| WET | Whole effluent toxicity |

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| WI | Wisconsin |
| WI DNR | Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources |
| WL | Wildlife |
| WLSSD | Western Lake Superior Sanitary District |
| WPBO | Whitefish Point Bird Observatory |
| WPS | White Pine Society |
| ZWAT | Zero Waste Action Team |