

GUIDE TO CORPS ABBREVIATIONS, ACRONYMS AND NUMBERS

The following list defines some of the more frequently used abbreviations and acronyms that you may encounter in working with us and reading our documents. Some of these entries are common throughout business, government or the construction industry, many are unique to the Army or the Corps. Most are informal products of the civil works business; the official Army list is in "Authorized Abbreviations, Brevity Codes and Acronyms" (Army regulation number AR 310-50, dated 15 November 1985).

A			
AAA	Army Audit Agency	BE/HLJR	beach erosion/hurricane protection
a-b-c's	requirements for local cooperation	BERN	Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors
ACE	Assistant Chief of Engineers	BG	brigadier general
ACHP	Advisory Council on Historic Preservation	BLM	Bureau of Land Management
ACO	administrative contracting officer	BOD	biological oxygen demand
ADP	automatic data processing	BOR	Bureau of Reclamation
ADR	alternative dispute resolution	BR	branch
AF	architect-engineer	BR	Bureau of Reclamation
A-E	architect-engineer	BRAC	Base realignment and closure
A/E	architect-engineer	BY	budget year
AE&D	advance engineering and design		
AF	acre foot		C
AFARS	Army Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement	CA	commercial activities
AL	annual leave	CA	continuing authorities
AMPCL	administrative maximum project cost limit	CACES	computer aided cost estimating system
AO	area office	CAP	Continuing Authorities Program
A/O	as of	CBD	central business district
APWA	American Public Works Association	CBD	Commerce Business Daily
AR	Army regulation	CBO	Congressional Budget Office
ASA	Assistant Secretary of the Army	CBRA	Coastal Barrier Resources Act
ASA(CW)	Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works)	CDR	commander
ASAP	as soon as possible	CE	civil engineer
ASCE	American Society of Civil Engineers	CE	Corps of Engineers
ATRAN	attention	CEBRH	Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors
		CECW	Corps of Engineers Civil Works
		CECW-B	Headquarters, Civil Works Programs Division
		CECW-E	Headquarters, Civil Works Engineering Division
		CECW-L	Headquarters Civil Works Life Cycle Project Management Division
		CECW-0	Headquarters, Civil Works Construction, Operations and Readiness Division
		CECW-P	Headquarters, Civil Works Policy and Planning Division
		CEFMS	Corps of Engineers Financial Management System
B			
BC	benefit-cost		
B/C	benefit-cost ratio		
BCA	Board of Contract Appeals		
BCOE	Biddibility, Constructability, Operability, Environmental Compatibility		
BCR	benefit-cost ratio		
BE	beach erosion		

CELRD	Great Lakes and Ohio River Division	CRREL	Cold Regions Research Engineering Laboratory
CEMVD	Mississippi Valley Division	CS	Chief of Staff
CENAD	North Atlantic Division	CSC	Civil Service Commission
CENWD	Northwestern Division	CSI	Construction Specifications Institute
CEPOD	Pacific Ocean Division	CSRS	Civil Service Retirement System
CESAD	South Atlantic Division	CVM	contingent value method
CESWD	Southwestern Division	CW	civil works
CEQ	Council on Environmental Quality	CWA	Clean Water Act (of 1977)
CERB	Coastal Engineering Research Board	CWCCIS	Civil Works Construction Cost Index System
CERC	Coastal Engineering Research Center	CWE	current working estimate
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (Superfund)	CWIS	Civil Works Information System
CERE	Headquarters, Real Estate Directorate	CY	calendar year
CERL	Construction Engineering Research Laboratory	CY	cubic yard
CETAL	Corps of Engineers time and attendance labor (report)	CY	current year
CF	copy for, copy furnished	CZM	coastal zone management
CFC	Combined Federal Campaign	CZMA	Coastal Zone Management Act
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations		
CG	Coast Guard		
CG	Commanding General		
CG	construction, general		
CM	construction management		
CMR	Command Management Review		
CO	commanding officer		
CO	contracting officer		
COB	close of business		
COD	chemical oxygen demand		
COE	Chief of Engineers		
COE	Corps of Engineers		
COEMIS	Corps of Engineers Management Information System		
COL	colonel		
COLA	cost-of-living adjustment		
CONUS	continental United States		
COR	contracting officer's representative		
CPAR	construction productivity advancement research		
CP&E	continued planning and engineering		
CPM	critical path method		
CPO	Civilian Personnel Office		
CPT	captain		
CRA	continuing resolution authority		
			D
		DA	Department of the Army
		DAL	division approval limit
		DAR	Defense Acquisition Regulations
		DCW	Director, Civil Works
		DDE(PM)	Deputy District Engineer for Project Management
		DE	district engineer
		DE	division engineer
		DEIS	draft environmental impact statement
		DF	disposition form
		DFARS	Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement
		DIN	do it now
		DIST	district
		DIV	division
		DM	design memorandum
		DNR	Department of Natural Resources
		DOA	Department of the Army
		DOD	Department of Defense
		DOD	dissolved oxygen demand
		DOE	Department of Energy
		DOI	Department of the Interior
		DOJ	Department of Justice
		DOT	Department of Transportation
		DPR	definite project report
		DPR	detailed project report
		DPS	detailed project study
		D/S	down stream
		DTO	data for testifying officers
		DWR	Department of Water Resources

E

EA	environmental assessment
EAB	Environmental Advisory Board
EC	engineer circular
E&C	Engineering and Construction
E&D	Engineering and Design
EDA	Economic Development Administration
EEO	Equal Employment Opportunity
EFARS	Engineer Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement
EIS	environmental impact statement
EM	engineer manual
EO	Executive Order
EOB	Executive Office Building
EOC	Emergency Operations Center
EP	Engineer Pamphlet
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
EQ	Environmental Quality
ER	Engineer Regulation
EROC	Engineering Reporting Organization Code
ERR	Ecosystem Restoration Report
ERTS	earth resources technology satellite
ESA	Endangered Species Act
ETL	engineer technical letter
ETL	Engineering Topographic Laboratories

F

F&A	finance and accounting
FAD	funding authorization document
FAO	finance and accounting officer
FAR	Federal Acquisition Regulation
FC	flood control
FCA	flood control act
FCSA	feasibility cost sharing agreement
FDM	feature design memorandum
FDP	flood damage prevention
FEIS	final environmental impact statement
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
FERC	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
FERS	Federal Employees Retirement System
FHA	Federal Highway Administration
FHA	Federal Housing Administration
FIA	Federal Insurance Administration
FIS	flood insurance
F&M	foundations and materials
FNSI	forfeiture of no significant impact
FOA	Field Operating Agency

FOI	Freedom of Information
FOIA	Freedom of Information Act
FONSI	forfeiture of no significant impact
FOUO	for official use only
FPC	Federal Power Commission
FPI	flood plain information
FPM	flood plain management
FPMS	flood plain management services
FR	Federal Register
FRC	feasibility review conference
FS	Forest Service
FTE	full time equivalent
FTP	full time permanent
FTS	Federal Telecommunications System
FTT	full time temporary
F&W	fish and wildlife
F&WL	fish and wildlife
FWS	Fish and Wildlife Service
FY	fiscal year
FYI	for your information

G

GAO	General Accounting Office
GBL	government bill of lading
GDM	general design memorandum
GE	general expense
GFP	government furnished property
GI	general investigation
GIS	graphic information system
GIWW	Gulf Inter-Coastal Waterway
GM	general schedule merit pay system
GNF	general navigation feature
GPAS	General Performance Appraisal System
GPO	Government Printing Office
GPS	Global Positioning System
CTS	Gramm - Rudman - Hollings
GS	general schedule
GSA	General Services Administration

H

HABS	Historic American Building Survey
HAC	House Appropriations Committee
HAP	Homeowners Assistance Program
HAER	Historic American Engineering Record
HAZMAT	hazardous material
HBC	House Budget Committee

HD	House document	IPMP	initial project management plan
HEC	Hydraulic Engineering Center	IPR	in-progress review
HEP	Habitat Evaluation Procedures	IPT	interdisciplinary planning team
HES	habitat evaluation system	IRC	issue resolution conference
H&H	hydrology and hydraulics	IWR	Institute for Water Resources
HHG	household goods	IWTF	Inland Waterway Trust Fund
HHS	Health and Human Services		
HJ	House Joint		J
HL	hired labor		
HPWC	House public works committee	JCS	Joint Chiefs of Staff
HPWCR	House public works committee resolution	JTR	Joint Travel Regulation
HPWRC	House Public Works and Transportation Committee		L
HQ	headquarters	LASH	lighter aboard ship
HQUSACE	Headquarters, US. Army Corps of Engineers	LCPM	life cycle project management
HR	House of Representatives	L&D	lock and dam
HR	House resolution	LERD	lands, easements, rights of way, disposal areas
	human resource management	LERR	lands, easements, rights of way, relocation
HSDR	hurricane and storm damage reduction	LERRD	lands, Casement rights of way, relocation, disposal areas
HTW	hazardous and toxic waste		
HUD	Housing and Urban Development	LMMP	Limited Map Maintenance Program
HVAC	heating, ventilation and air conditioning	LMPCL	legislative maximum project cost limit
	I	LOI	letter of intent
188	Initiative '88	LPP	local protection project
IA	initial appraisal	LS	lump sum
IAW	in accordance with	LT	lieutenant
IBWC	International Boundary and Water Commission	LTC	lieutenant colonel
ICW	in concert with	LTG	lieutenant general
ICWP	Interstate Conference on Water Problems	LTT	long term training
ID	identification		M
IDA	initial denial authority	MACOM	Major Army Command
IDC	indefinite delivery contract	MAJ	major
IDC	interest during construction	MARAD	Maritime Administration
IDP	individual development plan	MARKS	Modern Army Record keeping System
IFB	invitation for bid	M-CACES	microcomputer aided cost estimating system
IG	inspector general		
IHO	in honor of	MCD	minor civil division
IJC	International Joint Commission	MCD	miscellaneous commitment document
IM	information management	MFR	memorandum for the record
IMO	Information Management Office	MG	major general
INSA	Inland Navigation Systems Analysis	M&I	municipal and industrial
IPA	Intergovernmental Personnel Act	M&IE	meals and incidental expenses
IPM	individual project manager		
		ML	multiple letter

MLG	mean low Gulf	OASA	Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army
MLW	mean low water		
MLLW	mean lower low water	OASA(CW)	Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Civil Works
MOA	memorandum of agreement		
MOA	method of accomplishment	OBE	overcome by events
MOB	mobilization	OBERS	Office of Business Economics/Economic Research Service
MOD	miscellaneous obligation document		
MOU	memorandum of understanding	OBS	organizational breakdown structure
MP	military project	OCE	Office of the Chief of Engineers
MPF	maximum probable flood	OCONUS	outside continental United States
MRC	Mississippi River Commission	OJT	on the job training
MRD	Missouri River Division	OM	operating manual
MR&T	Mississippi River and Tributaries	O&M	Operation and maintenance

N

NA	not applicable	OM&R	operation, maintenance and rehabilitation
NA	not available	OMRR	operation, maintenance, repair and rehabilitation
NADB	National Archeological Data Base		
NAFSMA	National Association of Flood and Stormwater Management Agencies	OMRR&R	operation, maintenance, repair, replacement and rehabilitation
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration	OPM	Office of Personnel Management
NAV	navigation	ORD	Ohio River Division
NCO	noncommissioned officer	ORV	off-road vehicle
NED	national economic development	OSA	Office of the Secretary of the Army
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act	OSD	Office of the Secretary of Defense
NGVD	national geodetic vertical datum	OSE	other social effects
NFIP	National Flood Insurance Program	OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
NIMBY	not in my back yard	OT	overtime
NLT	not later than		
NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service		
NOAA	National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration		
NOI	notice of intent	p	promotable
NPDES	National Pollution Discharge Elimination System	PA	Planning Associate
		PAC	post-authorization change
		PAM	pamphlet
NPS	National Park Service	PAO	Public Affairs Office
NRA	National Recreation Area	PAS	planning assistance to states
NRHP	National Register of Historical Places	PB_ I	Engineering Form 2200, Summary Construction Program
NTIS	National Technical Information Service	PB-2a	Engineering Form 2201A, Detailed Project Schedule
NTL	not later than	PB-3	Engineering Form 2202, Project Cost Estimate
NTP	notice to proceed	PB-5a	Engineering Form 2205A, -Study Program Schedule

O

O/A	on or about	PB-6	Engineering Form 2204, Study Cost Estimate
OACE	Office of the Assistant Chief of Engineers	PCA	Project Cooperation Agreement
		PC	personal computer
		PCs	permanent change of station

PDC paid during construction
 PE professional engineer
 PED preconstruction engineering and design
 PE&D planning, engineering and design
 PERT program evaluation and review technique
 P&G Principles and Guidelines
 PGM project guidance memorandum
 PGN Planning Guidance Notebook
 PI principle investigator
 PL public law
 PL-99 Public Law 99, 84th Congress, Emergency Flood Control Funds
 PM project manager
 PM public meeting
 PMF probable maximum flood
 PMO Programs Management Office
 PMP probable maximum precipitation
 PMF project management plan
 POA plan of action
 POC Planner Orientation Course
 POC point of contact
 POD Pacific Ocean Division
 POS plan of study
 PR&A program review and analysis
 PRB Project Review Board
 PRIP Plant Replacement and Improvement Program
 PRISM Project Resources Information System for Management
 PROSPECT' proponent-sponsored engineer Corps training
 P&S plans and specifications
 P&S Principles and Standards
 P&S procurement and supply
 PTP part time permanent

Q

QA quality assurance
 QC quality control
 QA/QC quality assurance/quality control
 Q's & A's questions and answers

R

RAPM Resource Analysis Project Management
 RBRCR remaining benefit - remaining cost ratio

RCC roller compacted concrete
 RCS reports control symbol
 RD regional development
 R&D research and development
 RDM relocation design memorandum
 RE real estate
 RE regarding
 REC recreation
 RED regional economic development
 REDM real estate design memorandum
 REPR real estate planning report
 RES real estate supplement
 RFP request for proposal
 R&H river and harbor
 R14A river and harbor act
 R&HA river and harbor act
 RHFCA river and harbor and flood control act
 RIF reduction in force
 RMO Resource Management Office
 ROD Record of Decision
 ROW right of way
 R-O-W right-of-way
 RPAO real property accountability officer
 RPC reinforced concrete pipe
 RRC reconnaissance review conference
 R/W right of way

S

S Senate
 SA Secretary of the Army
 S&A States and Agencies
 S&A supervision and administration
 S/A states and agencies
 SAB subject as above
 SAC Senate Appropriations Committee
 SACW Secretary of the Army, Civil Works
 SADBUs small and disadvantaged business utilization
 SAME Society of American Military Engineers
 SBC Senate Budget Committee
 SBH small boat harbor
 SCORP State comprehensive outdoor recreation plan
 SCRB separable cost-remaining benefit
 SCS Soil Conservation Service
 SD Senate document
 SEC section

SEPWC	Senate Environment and Public Works Committee	USC	United States Code
SES	Senior Executive Service	UST	underground storage tank
		USCG	United States Coast Guard
		USEPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency
SF	standard form		
SFO	support for others	USFWS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service
SGT	sergeant		
SHPO	state historic preservation officer	USGS	United States Geological Survey
S&I	supervision and inspection		
SL	sick leave		
SM	study manager		
SMSA	standard metropolitan statistical area	VE	value engineering
SOP	standard operating procedures	VW	revolving fund
SOS	scope of studies		
SOW	scope of work		
SPF	standard project flood		
SPH	standard project hurricane	WBS	work breakdown structure
SPOC	single point of contact	WES	Waterways Experiment
Station			
SPWC	Senate public works committee	WLRC	Washington Level Review
Center			
SPWCR	Senate public works committee resolution	WRC	Water Resources Council
		WRDA	Water Resources Development Act
SR	Senate resolution	WS	water supply
S&S	savings and slippage	WTP	willingness to pay
SWB	social well being		

V

W, X, Z

T

T&A	time and attendance
TB	technical bulletin
TBA	to be announced
TBD	to be determined
TCM	travel cost method
TDY	temporary duty
TM	technical manual
TO	travel order
TPM	team project manager
TRC	technical review conference

U

UDO	undelivered order
UDV	unit day value
URA	Uniform Relocation Act
USACE	United States Army Corps of Engineers

USAED	United States Army Engineer District
USAED	United States Army Engineer Division
USATHAMA	United States Army Toxic and Hazardous Materials Agency