
ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

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| ATLSS Model | Across Trophic-Level System Simulation Model |
| ATT | Advanced Treatment Technology |
| BAF | bioaccumulation factor |
| BCF | bioconcentration factor |
| BMP | Best Management Practice |
| C&SF Project | Central and Southern Florida Flood Control Project |
| CERP | Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan |
| CWA | Clean Water Act |
| District | South Florida Water Management District |
| DO | dissolved oxygen |
| DOI | United States Department of the Interior |
| EAA | Everglades Agricultural Area |
| ECP | Everglades Construction Project |
| ECR | Everglades Consolidated Report |
| EFA | Everglades Forever Act |
| EIS | environmental impact statement |
| EMAP | Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Program |
| ENP | Everglades National Park |
| EPA | Everglades Protection Area (Water Conservation Areas 1, 2A, 2B, 3A, and 3B, the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge, and the Everglades National Park) |
| EPD | Everglades Protection District |
| ERC | Environmental Regulation Commission |
| ESP | Everglades Stormwater Program |
| ET | evapotranspiration |
| EWOD | Everglades Works of the District |
| F.A.C. | Florida Administrative Code |
| FDEP | Florida Department of Environmental Protection |
| FWC | Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission |
| FIU | Florida International University |
| F.S. | Florida Statutes |
| FY | fiscal year (for the District, October 1 to September 30) |
| GIS | Geographic Information Systems |
| Hg | mercury |
| HLR | hydraulic loading rate |
| HRT | hydraulic residence (or retention) time |
| IWR | Impaired Waters Rule |
| JLCEO | Joint Legislative Committee on Everglades Oversight |
| LEC | Lower East Coast |
| LEC Plan | Lower East Coast Regional Water Supply Plan |
| MDL | method detection limit |
| MeHg | methylmercury |
| MOA | Memorandum of Agreement |

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| MOU | Memorandum of Understanding |
| msl | mean sea level |
| MSS | Mercury Special Studies |
| N | nitrogen |
| NADP | National Atmospheric Deposition Program |
| NEATT | Noxious Exotic Animal Task Team |
| NEWTT | Noxious Exotic Weed Task Team |
| NEPA | National Environmental Policy Act |
| NGVD | National Geodetic Vertical Datum |
| Non-ECP | Non-Everglades Construction Project |
| NPDES | National Pollution Discharge Elimination System |
| NSID | North Springs Improvement District |
| OFW | Outstanding Florida Waters |
| Park | Everglades National Park |
| P | phosphorus |
| PDT | Project Delivery Team |
| PEIS | programmatic environmental impact statement |
| PIR | Project Implementation Report |
| PMP | Project Management Plan |
| POR | period of record |
| PQL | practical quantitation limit |
| P/SAV | periphyton and submerged aquatic vegetation |
| PSTA | Periphyton-Based Stormwater Treatment Area |
| QA/QC | quality assurance/quality control |
| QAPP | Quality Assurance Project Plan |
| RAM | research and monitoring (elements of the Everglades Forever Act) |
| RAS | Regulatory Action Strategy |
| RECOVER | Restoration Coordination and Verification |
| Refuge | Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge |
| Restudy | Central and Southern Florida Comprehensive Review Study (now the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan, CERP) |
| RWMA | Rotenberger Wildlife Management Area |
| SAV | submerged aquatic vegetation |
| SERA | Southern Everglades Restoration Alliance |
| SFERTF | South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Task Force |
| SFERWG | South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Working Group |
| SFWMD | South Florida Water Management District |
| SOR | Save Our Rivers |
| SSAC | site-specific alternative criterion |
| STA | Stormwater Treatment Area |
| SWIM | Surface Water Improvement and Management Act |
| TDP | total dissolved phosphorous |
| THg | total mercury |
| TMDL | total maximum daily load |
| TOC | Technical Oversight Committee |
| TN | total nitrogen |

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| TP | total phosphorus |
| TS | total sulfur |
| TSS | total suspended solids |
| UF-IFAS | University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Services |
| USACE | United States Army Corps of Engineers |
| USDA | United States Department of Agriculture |
| USEPA | United States Environmental Protection Agency |
| USFWS | United States Fish and Wildlife Service |
| USGS | United States Geological Survey |
| WCA | Water Conservation Area |
| WPA | Water Preserve Area |
| WQ | water quality |
| WQS | water quality standard |
| WY | water year (May 1 through April 30) |