Abbreviations and Acronyms

401 Certification State Water Quality certification required by Section 401 of CWA

404(b)(1) Guidelines Regulatory Guidelines for discharges of dredged or fill material implementing Section 404(b)(1) of the CWA, 40 CFR Part 230

404(c) EPA's authority to prohibit or restrict Section 404 of CWA

404(f) Activities exempt from Section 404 of CWA

404(q) MOA MOA pursuant to Section 404(q) of CWA

404(r) Federal project exempt from Section 404

ACHP Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

APP Abbreviated Permit Process (for issuing letters of permission)

Appendix B 33 CFR 325 Appendix B, Regulatory NEPA regulations

Appendix C 33 CFR 325 Appendix C, Regulatory Historic Property regulations

ARNI Aquatic resources of national importance as used in 404(q) MOAs (Pronounced R-knee)

ASA(CW) Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works

b(1) Guidelines See 404(b)(1) Guidelines, the preferred term

BA Biological assessment of impacts to endangered species required only for EIS projects

BLM Bureau of Land Management, DOI

BO Biological opinion issued by NMFS or USFWS during "formal consultation" or review of a "biological assessment" pursuant to Section 7 of ESA

BuRec Bureau of Reclamation, DOI (pronounced Bu-wreak)

CAA Clean Air Act

CECW-OR Headquarters, Corps of Engineers, Civil Works, Operations, Regulatory Branch, i.e., OCE regulatory staff (pronounced Sequor)
CEQ Council on Environmental Quality

**CEQ Regulations** 40 CFR 1500, Council on Environmental Quality regulations implementing NEPA

**CFR** Code of Federal Regulations

**CG** U.S. Coast Guard (see USCG the preferred term)

**CWA** Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 466 et seq.)

**CZM Concurrence** A state agency approval of an applicant's consistency determination pursuant to the CZMA

**CZMA** Coastal Zone Management Act

**DA** Department of the Army

**DE** District Engineer

**DEIS** Draft EIS

**DHP** Designated Historic Property (33 CFR 325, Appendix C)

**DNR** Designated non-federal representative (i.e., applicant or agent) designated to prepare BA or conduct "informal consultation" under ESA

**DOC** Department of Commerce

**DOI** Department of the Interior

**EA** Environmental Assessment

**EIS** Environmental Impact Statement

**EO** Executive Order. Periodically established Federal policy

**EPA** Environmental Protection Agency

**ERDC** Engineer Research and Development Center

**ESA** Endangered Species Act

**FAA** Federal Aviation Administration
Federal Register  Publication of Federal agency rulemaking

FEIS  Final EIS

FEMA  Federal Emergency Management Agency (pronounced Fee-mah)

FERC  Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (pronounced Fur-k)

FHWA  Federal Highway Administration

FIA  Flood Insurance Administration

Field Supervisor  USFWS official responsible for routine coordination with the DE

FR  Federal Register

FWPCA  Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see CWA)

FWS  U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Preferred abbreviation)

GP  General Permit

GPO  Government Printing Office

Guidelines  See 404(b)(1) Guidelines the preferred term

HP  Historic property: See 33 CFR part 325, Appendix C

HQUSACE  Headquarters, US Army Corps of Engineers (formal designation)

Incidental Take  The taking of endangered species, associated with a permit, authorized through consultation with USFWS or NMFS

IP  Individual permit

ISTEA  Intermodal Surface Transportation & Enhancement Act (pronounced Ice-tea)

JD  Jurisdiction Determination

LONO  Letter of No Objection

LOP  Letter of Permission

MHWM  Mean High Water Mark (tidal areas, for non-tidal areas see OHWM)
MMS Minerals Management Service, DOI
MOA/MOU Memorandum of Agreement/Understanding
MPRSA Marine Protection, Research & Sanctuaries Act
National Register National Register of Historic Places
NEPA National Environmental Policy Act (pronounced Kneepah)
NHPA National Historic Preservation Act
NMFS National Marine Fisheries Act (pronounced Nymphs)
NOAA National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration
NOII Notice of Intent to Issue
NOS National Ocean Service
NPDES National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System authorized by Section 402 of CWA
NPS National Park Service
NR National Register of Historic Places
NRCS National Resource Conservation Service
NWP Nationwide Permit
OCE Office of Chief of Engineers (informal) (see HQUSACE)
OCS Outer Continental Shelf
OCSLA Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act
OHWM Ordinary High Water Mark (non-tidal areas, for tidal areas see MHWM)
OMB Office of Management and Budget
OSM Office of Surface Mining
PBO Preliminary biological opinion issued by NMFS or USFWS pursuant to "early consultation" under Section 7 of ESA
PCN Pre-construction Notification
PDN Pre-discharge Notification
PGP Programmatic General Permit
PN Public Notice
RA Regional Administrator of EPA
RD Regional Director of USFWS or NMFS
R&D Research and Development
REG(s) Regulation(s) (Usually Corps regulation at 33 CFR 320-330)
RGL Regulatory Guidance Letter (pronounced Regal)
RP Regional General Permit
SAMP Special Area Management Plan (pronounced Samp)
Section 10 Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899
Section 10 of ESA Section 10 of the Endangered Species Act (Takings permits)
Section 103 Section 103 of the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 (Ocean Dumping)
Section 106 Section 106 of NHPA (Take into account effects on Historic Properties)
Section 110 Section 110 of the NHPA (Federal agency responsibilities)
Section 13 Section 13 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899
Section 402 Section 402 of the CWA (See NPDES)
Section 7 Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act
Section 9 Section 9 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899
Section 9 of ESA Section 9 of the Endangered Species Act (Takings prohibition)
SHPO State Historic Preservation Officer (pronounced Ship-poe)
SOF Statement of Findings

SOP Standard Operating Procedure

Special Case Designated area where EPA rather than the Corps will determine the extent of waters of the US for purposes of Section 404

Special Matters Designated situation where EPA rather than the Corps will determine whether an activity is exempt under Section 404(f) of CWA

SPGP State program general permit

Swamp Buster Provision of Food Securities Act of 1985

Taking - ESA When speaking of endangered species, this term means to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, collect, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct towards a Federally listed species

Taking - 5th Amendment When speaking about property rights, this term refers to the Fifth Amendment prohibition against the taking of personal property without due compensation

USACE US Army Corps of Engineers (pronounced You-sace)

USC US Code (codification for Federal Laws)

USCG US Coast Guard

USFWS US Fish and Wildlife Service (see FWS the preferred abbreviation)

WDM Wetland Delineation Manual

WES Waterways Experiment Station