

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS DAM SAFETY MODIFICATION

COMMONLY USED ACROYNMS

Acronym	Definition	Explanation
ACHP	Advisory Council on Historic Preservation	Advisory agency with oversight on Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.
ASA(CW)	Assistant Secretary of the Army, Civil Works	Civilian appointee that oversees the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Civil Works Program
ATR	Agency Technical Review	Review of USACE products by team of experts stationed outside of the Division the study or action originates from
CEQ	Council on Environmental Quality	Advisory Agency that provides guidance on the implementation of NEPA
CWA	Clean Water Act	Regulates Discharges of Pollutants into Waters of the U.S.
DQC	District Quality Control	Review of USACE Products by individuals inside the District the study originates from, but who did not work on the product
DSO	Dam Safety Officer	Highest ranking Registered Professional Engineer charged with Dam Safety at the District, Division or HQ level.
DSMR	Dam Safety Modification Report	Report prepared to justify modifying a completed USACE project for dam safety reasons
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement	Federal document that discloses all impacts associated with a Federally supported action and details how impacts to the human environment were considered when considering alternatives pursuant to NEPA
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency	Regulatory Agency with oversight on environmental impacts
ER	Engineering Regulation	Prefix to all regulations (i.e. ER 1110-2-1156) developed by USACE to implement authorities.
ESA	Endangered Species Act	Statute that protects threatened and endangered animals, birds and plant species
EQ	Environmental Quality	Account USACE's uses to evaluate and compare alternatives for effects to environment resources, including species, habitat, historic properties and aesthetics
HP	Historic Properties	Any prehistoric or historic district, site, building, structure, or object included in, or eligible for inclusion in, the NRHP
HTRW	Hazardous Toxic Radioactive Waste	Materials dangerous to the environment and/or humans
HQ	Headquarters	Major Command of USACE, located in Washington D.C.
IEPR	Independent External Peer Review	Independent review of USACE products by experts in their respective fields who are not employed by USACE
IRRM	Interim Risk Reduction Measures	Measures designed to reduce the risk a dam or Levee is creating to the public while a long-term plan is being developed.
MSC	Major Subordinate Command- LRD	Division Level. Regional Corps office that operates functionally between District and HQ
MUR	Muskingum Flood Control Basin	16 flood risk management projects within the Muskingum Watershed owned by the Federal Government & operated by USACE.

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NED	National Economic Development	Account used by USACE to find the alternative with the highest net economic benefits.
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act	Statute requiring that all reasonable alternatives be considered in respect to effects to the human environment prior to taking federal action.
NHL	National Historic Landmark	Building, Site, Structure, Object or District that represents an outstanding aspect of American History and Culture
NHPA	National Historic Preservation Act	Establishes a Program for the Preservation of Historical Properties throughout the Nation
NOA	Notice of Availability	Notice published in the Federal Register
NRHP	National Register of Historic Places	Official List of Nation's Historic Places worthy of preservation.
OEPA	Ohio Environmental Protection Agency	State Regulatory Agency responsible for enforcing Clean Water Act
OHPO	Ohio Historic Preservation Office	Acts as SHPO. Reflects the interests of Ohio and its citizens in the preservation of their cultural heritage and advises and assists Federal agencies in carrying out their Section 106 of the NHPA responsibilities
OSE	Other Social Effects	Account USACE's uses to evaluate and compare alternatives for social and economic effects to community life
PDT	Project Delivery Team	Team of individuals from multiple disciplines principally charged with delivering a defined product
RMC	Risk Management Center	A USACE center of expertise to manage and assess risks for dams and levees and to support safety activities.
RMMIM	Risk Measure Management Identification Meeting	Vertical Team meeting to identify measures to be carried forward into formulation
ROD	Record of Decision	A document developed by the head of a Federal agency describing a planned action and concludes the NEPA process
SHPO	State Historic Preservation Office	Reflects the interests of state and its citizens in the preservation of their cultural heritage and advises and assists Federal agencies in carrying out their Section 106 of the NHPA responsibilities
DSOG	Dam Safety Senior Oversight Group	USACE Dam Safety senior HQ and field staff team that performs an oversight function for the Dam Safety program
USACE	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	Major Command in Department of Army dedicated to delivering water resources engineering services
USFWS	U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service	Regulatory Agency charged with oversight for Threatened and Endangered Species Act

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