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Acronyms and Abbreviations Often Used for Levee Systems

A	ACSM	American Congress on Surveying and Mapping
	ASCE	American Society of Civil Engineers
	ASDSO	Association of State Dam Safety Officials
	ASFPM	Association of State Floodplain Managers
	ASPRS	American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing
B	BFE	Base Flood Elevation
	BIA	U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs
C	CAC	Community Assistance Contact
	CAP	Community Assistance Program
	CAP-SSSE	Community Assistance Program-State Support Services Element
	CAV	Community Assistance Visit
	CCO	Consultation Coordination Officer
	CEO	Chief Executive Officer
	CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
	CMP	Corrugated Metal Pipe
	CNMS	Coordinated Needs Management System
	CRS	Community Rating System
	CTP	Cooperating Technical Partner

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These acronyms and abbreviations will be encountered regularly by Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) mapping partners, stakeholders, and flood map users. The list includes acronyms and abbreviations that will be of particular interest to those involved in the evaluation and mapping of levee systems and levee-impacted areas.

RiskMAP
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D	DEM	Digital Elevation Model	H	H&H	Hydrologic and Hydraulic (Analyses)	
	DFIRM	Digital Flood Insurance Rate Map		HMGP	Hazard Mitigation Grant Program	
	DFO	Disaster Field Office		HQ	Headquarters (FEMA)	
	DHS	Department of Homeland Security	I	IBWC	International Boundary and Water Commission	
	DOQ	Digital Orthophoto Quadrangle		ICW	Inspection of Completed Works (USACE Program)	
	DTM	Digital Terrain Model		IDIQ	Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (Contractor)	
E	EM	Engineer Manual (USACE)	ITR	Independent Technical Review (USACE)		
	EO	Executive Order	IWR	Institute for Water Resources (USACE)		
	EP	Engineer Pamphlet (USACE)		L	LAG	Lowest Adjacent Grade
	ER	Engineer Regulation (USACE)			LFD	Letter of Final Determination
	ETL	Engineering Technical Letter (USACE)	LFFE		Lowest Finished Floor Elevation	
	F	FEDD	Flood Elevation Determination Docket	LOMA	Letter of Map Amendment	
FEMA		Federal Emergency Management Agency	LOMC	Letter of Map Change		
FGDC		Federal Geographic Data Committee	LOMR	Letter of Map Revision		
FHBM		Flood Hazard Boundary Map	M	MAS	Mapping Activity Statement	
FHWA		Federal Highway Administration		MLI	Mid-Term Levee Inventory	
FIRM		Flood Insurance Rate Map		MSC	Map Service Center (FEMA)	
FIS		Flood Insurance Study			Major Subordinate Commands (USACE)	
FLIS		FEMA Levee Inventory System				
FMA		Flood Mitigation Assistance				
FMIX		FEMA Map Information eXchange				
FPMS		Floodplain Management Services (USACE Program)				
G		G&S	Guidelines and Specifications			
		GDM	General Design Memorandum (Geospatial Data System)			
	GIS	Geographic Information System				
	GPO	U.S. Government Printing Office				

N	NAD27	North American Datum of 1927	Q	QA	Quality Assurance
	NAD83	North American Datum of 1983		QC	Quality Control
	NAFSMA	National Association of Flood and Stormwater Management Agencies	R	RFC	Repetitive Flood Claims (Program)
	NAVD88	North American Vertical Datum of 1988		RIP	Rehabilitation and Inspection Program (USACE)
	NDSP	National Dam Safety Program	Risk MAP		
	NEHRP	National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program			Risk Mapping, Analysis, and Planning (Initiative)
	NFIF	National Flood Insurance Fund	RO		
	NFIP	National Flood Insurance Program			Regional Office (FEMA)
	NGVD29	National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929	S	SRL	Severe Repetitive Loss (Program)
				SC	Study Contractor
	NGS	National Geodetic Survey	SFHA	Special Flood Hazard Area	
	NID	National Inventory of Dams	SWEL	Stillwater Flood Elevation	
	NLD	National Levee Database	SWFL	Stillwater Flood Level	
	NRCS	Natural Resources Conservation Service	T	TBM	Temporary Bench Mark
TIN				Triangulated Irregular Network	
TVA				Tennessee Valley Authority	
O	O&M	Operations and Maintenance	U	USACE	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
P	PAL	Provisionally Accredited Levee		USBR	U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
	PDF	Portable Document Format	USGS	U.S. Geological Survey	
	PDM	Pre-Disaster Mitigation (Program)	W	WSEL	Water-Surface Elevation
	PE	Professional Engineer			
	PID	Permanent Identifier			
	PL	Public Law			
	PM	Procedure Memorandum (FEMA) OR Program Management (Contractor)			
	PMR	Physical Map Revision			
PTS	Production and Technical Services (Contractor)				