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COMMON ACRONYMS

ACEC	Area of Critical Environmental Concern
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
AFT	American Farmland Trust
AHRI	American Heritage Rivers Initiative
ANR	Approval Not Required
APFO	Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance
BOA	Board of Appeals (or Adjustment)
CC&R's	Conditions, Covenants and Restrictions
CCRC	Continuing Care Retirement Community
CDBG	Community Development Block Grant
CDC	Community Development Corporation
CDF	Community Development Fund
CEDAC	Community Economic Development Assistance Corporation
CEDS	Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy
CGWS	Community Groundwater Supply
CHAS	Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy
CIP	Capital Improvements Plan (or Program)
C. of A's	Conditions of Approval
CPA	Community Preservation Act
CPTC	Citizen Planner Training Collaborative
CSWS	Community Surface Water Supply
DCR	Department of Conservation and Recreation
DWSP	Division of Water Supply Protection
DEM	Former Massachusetts Department of Environmental Management
DEP	Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection
DFG	Department of Fish and Game
DFW	Department of Fisheries and Wildlife
DFW-NHESP	Massachusetts Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program
DHCD	Department of Housing and Community Development
DPW	Department of Public Works
E.O. 418	Executive order for the production of affordable housing
ECHO	Elder Cottage Housing Opportunities
EDA	Economic Development Administration
EDC	Economic Development Council
EDD	Economic Development District
EMF	Electromagnetic Field
EOEEA	Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
FAA	Federal Aviation Administration
FAR	Floor Area Ratio
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
FHA	Federal Housing Administration
FIRM	Flood Insurance Rate Maps
FMHA	Farmers Home Administration
FPZ	Frontage Protection Zone
GIS	Geographic Information Systems
GM	Growth Management
GW	Groundwater Source
HOD	Historic Overlay District
M.G.L. Ch 30B	Law governing municipal procurement
M.G.L. Ch 40A	Law governing zoning
M.G.L. Ch 40B	Law governing planning/comprehensive permits
M.G.L. Ch 41	Law governing subdivision control

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MassGIS	Massachusetts Geographic Information System
MEPA	Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act
MDC	Former Metropolitan District Commission
MF	Multifamily
MGD	Million Gallons per Day
MGL	Massachusetts General Laws
MHC	Massachusetts Historical Commission
MIG	Municipal Incentive Grant
MISER	Massachusetts Institute for Social and Economic Research
MOD	Massachusetts Office on Disability
MRPC	Montachusett Regional Planning Commission
MSA	Metropolitan Statistical Area
MWI	Massachusetts Watershed Initiative
NEFF	New England Forestry Foundation
MWRA	Massachusetts Water Resources Authority
NFIP	National Flood Insurance Program
NHPA	National Historic Preservation Act
NPS	Nonpoint Source Pollution
NRCS	Natural Resources Conservation Service
NRWA	Nashua River Watershed Association
NTHP	National Trust for Historic Preservation
ORV	Off-Road Vehicle
PCS	Personal Communication Services (cell towers)
PDR	Purchase of Development Rights
PID	Planned Industrial Development
PPP	Public Participation Process
PRD	Planning Residential Development
PUD	Planned Unit Development
PWED	Public Works/Economic Development
PWS	Public Water Supply
RLF	Revolving Loan Fund
ROW	Right of Way
RV	Recreational Vehicle
SEPA	State Environmental Protection (or Policy) Act
SFD	Single Family Dwelling
SLO	Sensitive Lands Ordinance
STL	Sterling Land Trust
SW	Surface Water source
TDR	Transfer of Development Rights
US EPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
USFS	United States Forest Service
USFWS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service
USGS	United States Geological Survey
WCCD	Worcester County Conservation District
WHPA	Wellhead Protection Area
WMD	Watershed Management Program
WQMP	Water Quality Management Plan
WWTP	Wastewater Treatment Plant
ZBA	Zoning Board of Adjustment (or Appeals)
ZLL	Zero Lot Line
ZO	Zoning Ordinance