**Common Abbreviations and Acronyms for Conservation Commissioners**

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| ACEC | Area of Critical Environmental Concern |
| ANR | Approval Not Required Lot (Zoning) |
| ANRAD | Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation |
| APR | Agricultural Preservation Restriction |
| AOOC | Amended Order of Conditions |
| BLSF | Bordering Land Subject to Flooding |
| BMP | Best Management Practice |
| BOS | Board of Selectmen |
| BVW | Bordering Vegetated Wetland |
| BZ | Buffer Zone |
| CESSWI | Certified Erosion, Sediment, and Stormwater Inspector |
| CMR | Code of Massachusetts Regulations (WPA Regulations are 310 CMR 10.00) |
| COC | Certificate of Compliance |
| ConCom | Conservation Commission |
| CPA | Community Preservation Act |
| CPC | Community Preservation Committee |
| CPESC | Certified Professional in Erosion and Sediment Control |
| CR | Conservation Restriction |
| CZM | Coastal Zone Management |
| DCR | Department of Conservation and Recreation (MA) |
| DEP | Department of Environmental Protection (MA) |
| DER | Division of Ecological Restoration (MA) |
| DFW | Department of Fisheries and Wildlife (MA) |
| DOA | Determination of Applicability |
| DOR | Department of Revenue |
| EEA | Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (MA) |
| EO | Enforcement Order |
| EPA | Environmental Protection Agency |
| GIS | Geographic Information Systems |
| ILSF | Isolated Land Subject to Flooding |
| LSCSF | Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage |
| LSP | Licensed Site Professional |
| LUW | Land Under Water |
| MDAR | Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources |
| MGL | Massachusetts General Law |
| MVP | Massachusetts Vulnerability Preparedness Program |
| NHESP | Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program |
| NOAA | National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration |
| NOI | Notice of Intent |
| NRCS | Natural Resource Conservation Service (formerly the Soil Conservation Service) |
| O & M Plan | Operations and Maintenance Plan: An O&M plan is an indication that a facility is in continued compliance with applicable regulations and permit conditions |
| OOC | Order of Conditions |
| ORAD | Order of Resource Area Delineation |
| PE | Professional Engineer |
| PLS | Professional Land Surveyor |
| PWS | Professional Wetlands Scientist |
| RDA | Request for Determination of Applicability |
| "The Regs" | 310 CMR 10.00, the regulations associated with the Wetlands Protection Act |
| RFA | Riverfront Area |
| RCP | Regional Conservation Partnership |
| RPA | Riverfront Protection Act |
| ROW | Right of Way |
| SFH | Single Family House (aka SFD = Single Family Dwelling) |
| USDA | United States Department of Agriculture |
| USGS | United States Geological Survey |
| VMP | Vegetated Management Plan (for Utility ROWs) |
| WPA | Wetlands Protection Act (MA) aka "The Act" |