

APPENDIX H

Acronyms

A

AC	Air conditioner
ACI	American Concrete Institute
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
AISC	American Institute of Steel Construction
APA	American Planning Association
ASC	Area of Special Consideration
ASCE	American Society of Civil Engineers
ASTM	ASTM International

B

BCA	benefit-cost analysis
BCR	benefit-cost ratio
BFE	base flood elevation
BTU	British thermal unit

C

CATV	Cable TV
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CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CMU	concrete masonry unit
CRS	Community Rating System

D

DFE	design flood elevation
DFIRM	digital FIRMs

F

FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
FHA	Fair Housing Amendment Act
FIA	Federal Insurance Administration
FIMA	Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration
FIRM	Flood Insurance Rate Map
FIS	Flood Insurance Study
FMA	Flood Mitigation Assistance
FPE	Flood Protection Elevation
ft	feet
ft²	square feet
ft³	cubic feet
ft/sec	feet per second

G

GAL	Gallons
GFCI	ground fault circuit interrupter
gph	gallons per hour
gpm	gallons per minute

H

HMA	Hazard Mitigation Assistance
HMGP	Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
hp	horsepower
HR	hour
HUD	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
HVAC	heating, ventilation, and air conditioning

I

IASM	International Association of Structural Movers
IBC	International Building Code
ICC	Increased Cost of Compliance
I-Codes	International Building Code Series
IEBC	International Existing Building Code
IFC	International Fire Code
IFGC	International Fuel Gas Code
IMC	International Mechanical Code
in.	inches
in.²	square inches
IPC	International Plumbing Code
IPSDC	International Private Sewage Disposal Code
IRC	International Residential Code

K

kW	kilowatts
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L

LAG	lowest adjacent grade
lb(s)	pound(s)
lb/ft²	pounds per square foot
lf	linear feet
LiMWA	Limit of Moderate Wave Action
LPG	liquefied petroleum gas

M

MiWA	Minimal Wave Action
MoWA	Moderate Wave Action
MSC	FEMA Map Service Center
MW	masonry wall

N

NAVD88	North American Vertical Datum of 1988
NEC	National Electrical Code
NEMA	National Electrical Manufacturers Association
NES	National Evaluation Service
NFIP	National Flood Insurance Program
NFPA	National Fire Protection Association
NRCS	Natural Resources Conservation Service
NWS	National Weather Service

P

PDM	Pre-Disaster Mitigation
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PVC polyvinylchloride

R

RFC Repetitive Flood Claims

RGS rigid galvanized steel

RI recurrence interval

rpm revolutions per minute

S

sec seconds

sec² seconds squared

SFHA Special Flood Hazard Area

SRL Severe Repetitive Loss

T

TH total discharge head

U

UF underground feeder

UL Underwriters Laboratories

USACE U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

USCS Unified Soil Classification System

