

APPENDIX N

DEFINITIONS OF ACRONYMS USED IN THE CCP

and

DESCRIPTIONS OF “RESPONSIBLE PARTIES” LISTED IN CONSERVATION STRATEGY

Acronym or Responsible Group	Definition
AIC	Akaike Information Criteria, the maximum log-likelihood for a model
AM	Adaptive management
APD	application for permit to drill
APHIS	Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (USDA)
ASAP	as soon as possible
BLM	Bureau of Land Management
BMPs	Best management practices
CBM	Coal bed methane
CBSG	Conservation Breeding Specialist Group
CCA	Colorado Cattlemen's Association
CCAA	Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances
CCI	Colorado Counties, Inc.
CCP	Colorado Greater Sage-grouse Conservation Plan (this plan)
CDA	Colorado Department of Agriculture
CDOT	Colorado Department of Transportation
CDOW	Colorado Division of Wildlife
CDPHE	Colorado Department of Health and Environment
CDWR	Colorado Division of Water Resources
CFB	Colorado Farm Bureau
CGFC	Colorado Game and Fish Commission (now the CDOW) S
CHIP	Cooperative Habitat Improvement Program (CDOW program)
C.I.	Confidence interval (e.g., 95% confidence interval)
Cities	City or Town Governments
CNHP	Colorado Natural Heritage Program
COA	Conditions of approval (protection or mitigating measures necessary for approval of permits and authorization)
COGCC	Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
Colorado Hawking Club	State falconry club; affiliated with the North American Falconers' Association
County Governments	Includes several aspects of county governments, such as land use planning, pest control agents, weed control, and county commissioners.
CREA	Colorado Rural Electric Association
CRP	Conservation Reserve Program (FSA Program)
CSCP	Colorado Species Conservation Partnership Program (CDOW program)
CSFS	Colorado State Forest Service
CSP	Conservation Security Program (NRCS program)
CSTG	Columbian sharp-tailed grouse
CSU Extension	Colorado State University Extension Service

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CVCP	Colorado Vegetation Classification Project, a GIS data set used by CDOW
CWF	Colorado Wildlife Federation
DAU	Data Analysis Unit (a geographic area used by CDOW in big game management plans)
Developers	Housing developers
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic acid; molecule that carries the genetic information in a cell
DNR	Colorado Department of Natural Resources
DPOR	Colorado Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation
DRMS	Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
EA	Environmental Assessment
EBI	Environmental Benefits Index
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EQIP	Environmental Quality Incentives Program (NRCS program)
ESA	Endangered Species Act
FAN	Final Abandonment Notice
FLMPA	Federal Land Management Policy Act
FO	Field office (BLM)
FRP	Federal recovery plan
FRPP	Farm and Ranchland Protection Program (NRCS program)
FSA	Farm Services Agency
FSM	Forest Service Manual
FTE	Full-time equivalent (one person working full-time)
GBCP	Gunnison Basin Conservation Plan (see GBCP 1997 in Literature Cited)
GIS	geographic information system
GOCO	Great Outdoors Colorado
GRP	Grasslands Reserve Program (NRCS program)
GrSG	greater sage-grouse
GSFO	Glenwood Springs Field Office (BLM)
GuSG	Gunnison sage-grouse
HB	House Bill
HEP	Habitat Evaluation Procedure (a USFWS program)
HPP	Habitat Partnership Program (CDOW program)
HIS	Habitat Suitability Index, a measure of habitat, used in HEP
Industry	Oil, gas, mining, or utility industries, depending on context; see also Utility Companies
KFO	Kremmling Field Office (BLM)
Land Trusts	Non-profit corporations that protect conservation resources
LIP	Landowner Incentive Program (USFWS program)
LUP	Land use plans

Acronym or Responsible Group	Definition
LWGs	Local work groups
MFRI	Mean fire return interval
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MP	Middle Park GrSG Population
MPCP	Middle Park Conservation Plan (see MPCP 2001 in Literature Cited)
MPSGC	Middle Park Sage-grouse Committee
mtDNA	Mitochondrial DNA
MUSY	Multiple Use – Sustained Yield Act (USFS)
MWR	Meeker – White River GrSG Population
MZ	Management Zone: an abbreviation for the management zones that exist in the NWCO GrSG population area
N/A	Not applicable
NAGP	North American Grouse Partnership
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NESR	Northern Eagle – Southern Routt Counties GrSG population
NESRCP	Northern Eagle – Southern Routt Counties Conservation Plan (see NESRCP 2004 in Literature Cited)
NFMA	National Forest Management Act
NFS	National Forest System (managed by the USFS)
NGOs	Non-governmental organizations, including local land trusts, The Nature Conservancy, and other non-profit groups
NOI	Notice of intent
NOS	Notice of staking
NP	North Park GrSG population
NPCP	North Park Greater Sage-grouse Conservation Plan (See NPCP 2001 in Literature Cited)
NPHPP	North Park Habitat Partnership Committee
NPS	National Park Service
NPSGWG	North Park Sage Grouse Working Group
NRCS	Natural Resources Conservation Service
NSO	No surface occupancy (a stipulation on some oil and gas leases)
NWCO	Northwest Colorado GrSG Population
NWCOCP	Northwest Colorado Conservation Plan (see NWCOCP 2006 in Literature Cited)
NWR	National Wildlife Refuge
NWRC	National Wildlife Research Center (part of APHIS)
NWRS	National Wildlife Refuge System (USFWS)
O&G	Oil and Gas
OMP	Owl Mountain Partnership
Other Research Institutions	Non-university research institutions

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PECE	Policy for Evaluation of Conservation Efforts When Making Listing Decisions (USFWS)
PEIS	Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement
PPR	Parachute – Piceance – Roan GrSG Population
PPRCP	Parachute – Piceance – Roan Conservation Plan (see PPRCP 2008)
Private Landowners	Non-public landowners/managers
PVA	Population viability analysis
RCP	Gunnison Sage-grouse Rangewide Conservation Plan
RD&D	Research, Development, and Demonstration (a type of BLM lease)
RFD	Reasonable Foreseeable Development
RMP	Resource Management Plan (used by BLM)
ROW	Right-of-way
RPA	Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resource Planning Act (USFS)
SC	Colorado Greater Sage-grouse Conservation Plan Steering Committee
SCD	Soil Conservation District(s)
SLB	Colorado State Land Board
SMP	Suggested Management Practices
SRM	Society for Range Management
SWA	State Wildlife Area
TNC	The Nature Conservancy
UCEPC	Upper Colorado Environmental Plant Center
UP	Uncompaghre Project
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
USDI	United States Department of the Interior
USFS	United States Forest Service
USFWS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service
USGS	United States Geological Survey
Utility companies	Includes local Rural Electric Associations, Excel Energy, and all other utility companies within the range of GrSG
Universities	Specifically, researchers and research programs at universities
WAFWA	Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Water Conservation Districts	Non-profit organizations that coordinate funds to conserve local natural resources
WHIP	Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (NRCS program)
WNV	West Nile Virus
WRFO	White River Field Office (BLM)
WRIS	Wildlife Resource Information System
WRP	Wetland Reserve Program (NRCS program)
WRRRA	White River Resource Area (a BLM management area)