Glossary and Acronyms

CADDIS	Causal Analysis/Diagnosis Decision Information System
CCAT	Community Cumulative Assessment Tool
C-FERST	Community-Focused Exposure and Risk Screening Tool
C-LINE	Community LINE Source Model
C-PORT	Community Modeling System for Near PORTs
CSAS	Community Sustainability Assistance System
DASEES	Decision Analysis for a Sustainable Environment, Economy, and Society
DDES	Development and Deployment of Environmental Software
DOSII	Database of Sustainability Indicators and Indices
EGS	Ecosystem Goods and Services
EQI	Environmental Quality Index
ESML	EcoService Models Library
ETSC	Engineering Technical Support Center provides site-specific assistance on engineering and treatment issues of site cleanup (for soil, sediment, groundwater, and mining- related contamination). The ETSC helps incorporate technology-based data needs and site-specific remedy options.
FEGS	Final Ecosystem Goods and Services
FEGS-CS	Final Ecosystem Goods and Services Classification System
GLNPO	Great Lakes National Program Office coordinates U.S. efforts with Canada under the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement (GLWQA) to restore and maintain the chemical, physical and biological integrity of the Great Lakes Basin Ecosystem, which includes Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron, Erie, and Ontario. GLNPO brings together federal, state, tribal, local, and industry partners under the strategic framework of the Great Lakes Restoration
GWTSC	Ground Water and Ecosystems Restoration Provides site-specific assistance on ground water and subsurface contamination problems in site remediation. Publishes issue papers on subsurface remediation and ground water topics.
HIA	Health Impact Assessment
HWBI	Human Well-being Index
iEMSs	International Environmental Modelling and Software Society
IPCC	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
NCEA	National Center for Environmental Assessment, in EPA's Office of Research and Development

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NCEE	National Center for Environmental Economics in EPA
NCER	National Center for Environmental Research, in EPA's Office of Research and Development
NCP	National Oil and Hazardous Substance Contingency Plan
NERL	National Exposure Research Laboratory, in EPA's Office of Research and Development
NESCS	National Ecosystem Services Classification System
NHEERL	National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, in EPA's Office of Research and Development
NRMRL	National Risk Management Research Laboratory, in EPA's Office of Research and Development
OAR	Office of Air and Radiation in EPA
OCHP	Office of Children's Health Protection in EPA
OECA	Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance in EPA
OEI	Office of Environmental Information in EPA
OEJ	Office of Environmental Justice in EPA
OITA	Office of International and Tribal Affairs in EPA
OLEM	Office of Land and Emergency Management in EPA
ORD	Office of Research in Development in EPA
OSC	Office of Sustainable Communities in EPA
OW	Office of Water in EPA
R1	Region 1 (NH, MA, ME, VT, RI, CT)
R2	Region 2 (NY, NJ, Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico)
R3	Region 3 (PA, WV, MD, VA, DC, DE)
R4	Region 4 (KY, TN, MS, AL, GA, SC, NC, FL)
R5	Region 5 (MN, WI, MI, IL, IN, OH)
R6	Region 6 (NM, TX, OK, AR, LA)
R7	Region 7 (NE, KS, IA, MO)
R8	Region 8 (MT, ND, WY, SD, UT, CO)
R9	Region 9 (CA, NV, AZ, HI, Guam, American Samoa, Trust Territories, Commonwealth of Northern Islands)

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- R10 Region 10 (WA, OR, ID, AK)
- RESES Regional Sustainable Environmental Science
- ROE Report on the Environment
- RSL Regional Science Liaisons are the primary link between ORD and the regional offices. The RSLs are regional scientists supported by ORD, with one RSL located in each of the 10 regional offices. This team of 10 scientists builds networks and partnerships between regional offices and ORD scientists. By being in close communication with regional management and technical staff, the RSLs are uniquely situated to identify ORD research that can impact high priority regional policy and regulatory actions with state of the art science. They strive to ensure the impact of ORD science in environmental decision making through technology transfer and delivery of ORD research results, models, and tools to their Regions.
- SBIR Small Business Innovation Research
- SCMTSC Site Characterization and Monitoring Technical Support Center provides site characterization assistance by supporting the use of state of the science methods and technologies for identifying contaminants, determining levels and concentrations, and identifying geographic extent.
- SHC Sustainable and Healthy Communities
- STL Superfund and Technology Liaisons are ORD senior scientists and engineers located in the EPA regional offices supporting the hazardous waste programs. STLs are an important link between the Regions and the expertise in the ORD labs. STLs work to ensure that EPA science is applied in regional waste cleanup projects by coordinating with ORD researchers, regional staff, and the ORD Technical Support Centers (TSCs). One of the most important tasks of STLs is to assist project managers in the regional hazardous waste programs with technical support that will help them make scientifically defensible decisions during their site cleanup work.
- StRAP Strategic Research Action Plan
- TSC ORD's five Technical Support Centers help integrate science and technology into hazardous waste cleanup activities. These centers, located around the country, offer scientific expertise and services to the EPA's program and regional offices on site characterization, modeling, monitoring, assessment, and remediation.

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- Region 7 (Kansas City, MO)
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