Extension Acronyms

4-H 4-H Youth Development Program
4-H CCS National 4-H Cooperative Curriculum System
AA Affirmative Action
AAFCS American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences
AAP Affirmative Action Plan
ACE Association for Communication Excellence
ADD Associate District Director
AEA Association of Extension Administrators
AES Agricultural Experiment Station
AG ECON Ag. Economics and Agribusiness
AGRN Agronomy
AHS Administrative Heads Section
AIHEC American Indian Higher Education Consortium
AMS Agricultural Marking Service
ANR Agriculture and Natural Resources
ANREP – Association of Natural Resources Extension Professionals
ANSC Animal Science
APHIS Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
APLU Association of Public and Land-grant Universities
ARD Association of Research Directors
APS Academic Programs Section
AREERA Agriculture Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998
ARS Agriculture Research Service
ASAS American Society of Animal Science
ASDS American Society of Dairy Science
ASRED Association of Southern Region Extension Directors
AVLA Adult Volunteer Leaders Association
BAC Budget & Advocacy Committee
BAEG Biological and Agricultural Engineering
BIF Beef Improvement Federation
BMPs Best Management Practices
BQA Beef Quality Assurance
CAPS Citizenship Action Provides Strength
CARET Council of Agriculture Research, Extension and Teaching
CD Community Development
CD County Director
CEA County Extension Agent
CEC County Extension Council
CED Community and Economic Development
CES Cooperative Extension System
CFPCGP Community Food Projects Competitive Grants Union
CHPT Cow Herd Performance Testing
CIT Communications and Information Technology
CLP Committee on Legislation & Policy
CoP Community of Practice
CPM Cotton Pest Management
CR Civil Rights
CRD Community Resource Development
CRED Community Resource and Economic Development
CRVP Cotton Research Verification Program
CSREES Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service (became NIFA in 2009)
CTDE Communications, Technology and Distance Education
CWF 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus
CYFAR Children, Youth, and Families at Risk
DD District Directors
DF&A Department of Finance and Administration

DHIA Dairy Herd Improvement Association
DHS Department of Human Services
DSA Distinguished Service Award
ECOP Extension Committee on Organization and Policy
EDEN Extension Disaster Education Network
EEO Equal Employment Opportunity
EFNEP Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program
EHC Extension Homemakers Club/Council
ENP Extension Nutrition Program
EPA Environmental Protection Agency
EQIP Environmental Quality Incentive Program
ERS Economic Research Service
ESCOP Experiment Station Committee on Organization and Policy
ES237 Annual 4-H Statistical Report
ESP Epsilon Sigma Phi
ESS Experiment Station Section
FCC Family and Community Connections
FCS Family & Consumer Science
FCS Farm Credit Service
FLP Faculty Leadership Program
FNS Food and Nutrition Service
FQPA Food Quality and Protection Act
FSA Flexible Spending Account
FSA Food Security Act
FSA Farm Service Agency
FSIS Food Safety Inspection Service
FTE Full-Time Equivalent
FY Fiscal Year
GAO Government Accountability Office
GIS Geographic Information Systems
GPRA Government Performance and Results Act
GPS Global Positioning System
HR Human Resources
HRD Human Resource Development
HUD Housing and Urban Development
IFAFS Initiative for Future Agriculture and Food Systems
IPM Integrated Pest Management
IPOW Individual Plan of Work
IRM Integrated Resource Management
IT Information Technology
JCEP Joint Council of Extension Professionals
JOE Journal of Extension
LVD Leadership and Volunteer Development
M & O Maintenance and Operations
MM Middle Management
MOA Memorandum of Agreement
MOODLE Modular Object-Oriented Dynamic Learning Environment (an online course platform)
MOU Memorandum of Understanding
MSA Meritorious Service Award
NACAA National Association of County Agricultural Agents
NACDEP National Association of Community Development Extension Professionals
NAE4-HA National Association of Extension 4-H Agents
NAEPSDP National Association of Extension Program & Staff Development Professionals
NAL National Agricultural Library
NAPIAP National Agricultural Pesticide Impact Assessment Program
NASS National Agricultural Statistics Service
NASULGC – National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges (changed name to APLU - 2009)
NCBA National Cattlemen's Beef Association

NCCEA North Central Cooperative Extension Association
NCRCRD North Central Regional Center For Rural Development
NCRA North Central Regional Association of State Agricultural Experiment Stations
NEA Northeast Extension Directors
NEAFCS National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences
NEDA National Extension Directors & Administrators
NERA Northeast Research Association
NEED Northeast Extension Directors
NCRCRD North Central Regional Center For Rural Development
NERRD North Central Regional Center For Rural Development
NELD National Extension Leadership Development
NIFA National Institute of Food and Agriculture
NPPC National Pork Producers
NRCS Natural Resources and Conservation Service
NREC Northeast Research & Extension Center
NREM National Resource and Environmental Management
NRI National Research Initiative
NSF National Science Foundation
OMK 4-H Operation Military Kids
PAT Pesticide Applicator Training
PBD Policy Board of Directors
PC Program Committees
PIEC Policy and Issues Education Center
PILD Public Issues Leadership Conference
PSD Program and Staff Development
PIA Pesticide Impact Assessment
PLN Program Leadership Network
POE Program of Excellence
POW Plan of Work
RCD Rural Community Development
RDA Recommended Daily Allowance
RESQ Responsible Environmental Stewardship Quest
RFA Request for Application
RFP Request for Proposal
ROA Report of Accomplishments
RREC Rice Research and Extension Center
SAAESD Southern Association of Ag. Experiment Station Directors
SARE Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education
SEAL Strengthening Extension Advisory Leaders
SEEK Science Enrichment Education for Kids
SERA-IEG-6 Southern Extension and Research Activities Information Exchange Group
SEREC Southeast Research and Extension Center
SRDC Southern Rural Development Center
SRPLN Southern Region Program Leadership Network
SRVLF Southern Region Volunteer Leaders Forum
SRVP Soybean Research Verification Program
SWREC Southwest Research & Extension Center
SY Scientist Year
TLC Teen Leader Conference
TMDL Total Maximum Daily Load
USDA United States Department of Agriculture
WAAESD Western Association of Ag. Experiment Station Directors
WAED Western Association of Extension Directors
WHEP Wildlife Habitat Evaluation Practice
WRDC Western Rural Development Center
YAR Youth at Risk
YHEC Youth Hunter Education Challenge