



BEYOND THE BASICS: Acronyms & Abbreviations

AIA	American Institute of Architects
APCD	Air Pollution Control District
ASCE	American Society of Civil Engineers
ASES	American Solar Energy Society
ASID	American Society of Interior Designers
ASHRAE	American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air Conditioning Engineers
CaICERTS	California Certified Energy Rating & Testing Services
CAP	Climate Action Plan
CASBA	California Straw Bale Association
CBPCA	California Building Performance Contractors Association
CCA	Community Choice Aggregation
CCHB	Combined Cooling, Heating and Power
CEC	California Energy Commission Also: Community Environmental Council of Santa Barbara
CFC/HCFC	Chlorofluorocarbon/Hydro-chlorofluorocarbon
CFL	Compact Fluorescent (bulbs)
CHEERS	California Home Energy Efficiency Rating Services
CHP	Combined Heating and Power
CPUC	California Public Utilities Commission
ECOSLO	Environmental Center of San Luis Obispo
EE	Energy Efficiency
EEM	Energy Efficient Mortgage
EMF	Electromagnetic field
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
FSC	Forest Stewardship Council
GA	Green Advantage
GACP	Green Advantage Certified Professional
GBCI	Green Building Certification Institute
GBI	Green Building Initiative
GHG	Greenhouse Gas
GPF	Gallons per flush
GPM	Gallons per minute
HBA	Home Builders Association (of SLO and SB Counties)
HEPA	High Efficiency Particulate Air Filter
HERS	Home Energy Rating System
HID	High Impact Development
HRV/ERV	Heat Recovery Ventilator/Energy Recovery Ventilator



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HVAC	Heating, Ventilating, Air Conditioning
IAQ	Indoor Air Quality
IFA	Independent Fee Appraiser
ICF	Insulated Concrete Forms
IISBE	International Initiative for a Sustainable Built Environment
IWMA	Integrated Waste Management Authority
LEED	Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design
LID	Low Impact Development
MERV	Minimum Efficiency Reporting Value
NAHB	National Association of Home Builders
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NAR	National Association of Realtors
NARI	National Association of Remodeling Industry
NEP	National Estuary Program
NFRC	National Fenestration Rating Council
PUD	Planned Unit Development
PV	Photovoltaic cell (type of solar panel)
REC	Renewable Energy Certificate
RESCO	Renewable Energy Secure Community Organization
RESNET	Residential Energy Services Network
SEER	Seasonal Energy Efficiency Rating
SFI	Sustainable Forestry Initiative
SHGC	Solar Heat Gain Coefficient
SIP	Structural Insulated Panel
SLOCBE	San Luis Obispo County Builders Exchange
SLOCOG	San Luis Obispo County of Government
SRI	Solar reflective index
SUD	Sustainable Unit Development
T-24	Title 24, California Building Energy Code
ULI	Urban Land Institute
USGBC C4	USGBC, California Central Coast Chapter (C4)
USGBC	US Green Building Council
VOC	volatile organic compounds
WGBC	World Green Building Council