

ABBREVIATIONS, ACRONYMS, TERMS



TERM	DEFINITION / EXPLANATION
Algae	An algal bloom is the overgrowth of microscopic algae or algae-like bacteria in fresh, salt, or brackish waters. Not all algae are bad – some is very beneficial to aquatic organisms and the health of a lake. It also produces oxygen for the water and the atmosphere. Algal blooms can be many colors, including blue-green, yellow, brown, pink, and red. Noxious algal blooms are caused by excessive nutrient availability pollution, such as phosphorus and to some extent nitrogen or phosphorus from various sources like fertilizer runoff, decaying organic matter and the thick muck in the bottom of the waterbody. Toxic algal blooms can produce toxins that make people and animals sick.
BoCC	Board of County Commissioners
Critical path schedule	The critical path method (CPM) , or critical path analysis (CPA) , is an algorithm for scheduling a set of project activities. ^[1] A critical path is determined by identifying the longest stretch of dependent activities and measuring the time ^[2] required to complete them from start to finish. It is commonly used in conjunction with the program evaluation and review technique (PERT)
cultural techniques	Cultural methods of preventing and reducing aquatic plant growth include¹²³: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevention • Habitat alteration • Mechanical control • Water draw-downs
D and O Insurance	Directors and Officers liability insurance

eutrophication	A chain reaction in the ecosystem, starting with an overabundance of algae and plants. The excess algae and plant matter eventually decompose, producing large amounts of carbon dioxide. Eutrophication has been defined in a number of ways including: 1) nutrient-induced increase in phytoplankton productivity. 2) Excessive plant growth resulting from nutrient enrichment, and "explosive growth of microorganisms, to the extent that dissolved oxygen is depleted". This is typically found in a shallow lake with significant quantities of nutrient rich decaying matter on the bottom.
herbicide	A chemical substance used to kill unwanted plants. There are two generic types: A systemic herbicide kills both the plant and the roots. A contact herbicide will kill the plant down to the roots, but does not kill the roots, so it does not totally kill the plant.
HOA	Home Owners' Association
IAVMP	Integrated Aquatic Vegetation Management Plan
IPM	Integrated Pest Management (IPM) , also known as Integrated Pest Control (IPC) is a broad-based approach that integrates both chemical and non-chemical practices for economic control of pests .
LCMP	Lake Cyanobacteria Management Plan
littoral zone	The near shore area where sunlight penetrates all the way to the sediment and allows aquatic plants (macrophytes) to grow
LMD	Lake Management District
noxious weeds	Noxious weeds are non-native, invasive plants that threaten public health, the environment, wildlife habitat, native plants, agriculture, and recreational areas.
nuisance weeds	Nuisance weeds refers to those native aquatic weed species that frequently reach harmful levels of density around high traffic recreational areas.
PA	Prosecuting Attorney
PERT	Program Evaluation and Review Technique
POC	Point of Contact
Prescription	A Thurston County required process where any Thurston County Department or organization under Thurston County jurisdiction (Lake Management Districts) wishing to apply herbicides must submit a detailed request to the County Pest and Vegetation Management Advisory Committee (PVMAC) for approval before any herbicide can be dispensed.
PRO	Public Records Officer
PVMAC	Pest and Vegetation Management Advisory Committee
OPMA	Open Public Meetings Act
QAPP	Quality Assurance Project Plan
RCW	Revised Code of Washington: a compilation of all permanent laws currently in force in the State of Washington
RFP	Request for Proposal.

RFQ	Request for Quote. An RFQ is used when an entity knows exactly what they want and don't need details on the product or service.
riparian	Lands that occur along the edges of lake, rivers, streams, and marine environments extending away from the water body at a distance prescribed in the Shoreline Master Program.
SC	Steering Committee of the LMD
small works roster	A roster maintained by the county procurement office of local business contractors/vendors that have previously provided services to county departments/organizations and have been found to be reputable. Used for contracts under \$50,000.
SMP	The Shoreline Master Program is a comprehensive document that includes policies, development regulations, and technical studies related to development within the shoreline jurisdiction. The shoreline jurisdiction is defined as all "shorelines of the state" and the shorelands extending 200 feet in all directions from those shorelines.
SUD	Special Utility District
TC	Thurston County
time and materials	pay an hourly rate and reimburse for approved materials and related expenses
upland	Parcels without lakefront that have lakefront access through a private community park or recreational facility.
WSDA	Washington State Department of Agriculture
WDFW	Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife