

A4WDA Info #5 – Acronyms



Did you know #5 – Acronyms

If you missed any of the “Did You Know” Series, you can find them on our website at www.a4wda.org/OHV Information.

Morning it is Rebecca and Maddie again for the Friday morning post. This week is acronyms. Everyone uses them but we may not know all of them.

Here is a list of some of the more common ones that we usually deal with when we are out playing in the dirt. This doesn't mean there are many more.

User related acronyms:

ATV - All Terrain Vehicle refers to single and two seater vehicles without a roll bar and individual seats.

MC - Motorcycle.

OHV - Off Highway Vehicle, for the “Did You Know” series OHV refers to any vehicle that requires an OHV decal (2500 lbs and under) administered by AZ State Parks for residents and AZ Game and Fish Department for nonresidents, explained in the next post.

ORV - Offroad Recreational Vehicle, for this series ORV refers to full size vehicles that do not require an OHV decal and are street legal.

ST - Single Track, motorcycles.

SUV - Standard Utility Vehicle refers to full size vehicles TV Technical Vehicle Trail (BLM).
UTV - Utility Terrain Vehicle, refers to vehicles that have a roll bar, individual seats and a steering wheel.

Agency related acronyms:

ASLD -Arizona State Land Department.

ASP - Arizona State Parks.

BLM - Bureau of Land Management.

CE/CX - Categorical Exclusion – term used to define an area that does not require a full NEPA study.

DO - District Office.

EA - Environmental Assessment.

EIA - Environmental Impact Assessment.

EIS - Environmental Impact Statement – part of the planning process required within the land managing agencies.

FO - Field Office.

FS - Forest Service.

USFWS - United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

AZGFD - AZ Game & Fish Department.

GPS - Global Positioning System.

GIS - Geographic Information System.

NCA - National Recreation Area.

NEPA - National Environmental Policy Act - is a U.S. law enacted in 1969 that requires federal agencies to assess the environmental impacts of their proposed actions before making decisions. It aims to ensure that environmental factors are considered in government planning and decision-making processes.

MOU - Memorandum of Understanding, a document that allows our user clubs and associations to develop a working relationship with land managers to help keep our roads and trails open. We provide volunteers to perform work on roads and trails to help keep access open.

RD - Ranger District.

RMP - Route Management Plan – route inventory and planning through the Bureau of land management.

ROD - Record of Decision - from the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) is a formal document that outlines the decision made regarding a proposed action after completing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). From the BLM - It serves as a public record that summarizes the decision made, the rationale behind it, and any applicable environmental considerations. The ROD is essential for documenting decisions related to land use and management.

TMP - Travel Management Plan - route inventory and planning through the Bureau of land management, this is where we are involved.

TV - Technical Vehicle Trail – designation used within the BLM when designating trails.

USFS - United States National Forest Service.

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