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# Abbreviations and acronyms

ABARE	Australian Bureau of Agriculture and Resource Economics	DSE	dry sheep equivalent
ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics	DSI	Dust Storm Index
ACLUMP	Australian Collaborative Land Use Mapping Program	EMU	Ecosystem Management Understanding (Project)
ACRIS	Australian Collaborative Rangeland Information System	EPA	Environmental Protection Agency (Queensland)
ACRIS-MC	ACRIS Management Committee	EPBC Act	<i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i> (Cwth)
ACRIS-MU	ACRIS Management Unit	ERIN	Environmental Resources Information Network
ALIS	Arid Lands Information System (SA)	GAB	Great Artesian Basin
ALUM	Australian Land Use Mapping	GIS	geographic information system
ARO	Australia's Resources Online	GLM	Grazing Land Management (program)
AussieGRASS	Australian Grassland and Rangeland Assessment by Spatial Simulation	GPS	global positioning system
AVHRR	Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer	IBRA	Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation for Australia
AWR 2005	Australian Water Resources 2005	ILMO	Indigenous land management organisation
BoM	Bureau of Meteorology	IPA	Indigenous Protected Area
BRS	Bureau of Rural Sciences	IUCN	International Union for Conservation of Nature
CAPAD	Collaborative Australian Protected Areas Database	MAT	management action target
CAR	comprehensiveness, adequacy and representativeness	MCA	multi-criteria analysis
CRC	cooperative research centre	MCAS-S	Multi-Criteria Analysis Shell for Spatial Decision Support
CSIRO	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation	MODIS	moderate resolution imaging spectroradiometer
DIWA	<i>Directory of Important Wetlands in Australia</i>	MRBGI	Multiple Regression Bare Ground Index
DNRETA	Department of Natural Resources, Environment and the Arts (NT)	NAP	National Action Plan for Salinity and Water Quality
DPI&F	Department of Primary Industries and Fisheries (Qld)	NDVI	Normalised Difference Vegetation Index
		NGO	non-government organisation



NHT	Natural Heritage Trust	RMDC	rapid mobile data collection
NLWRA	National Land & Water Resources Audit (the Audit)	SA	South Australia
National M&E Framework	National Monitoring and Evaluation Framework	SLA	statistical local area
NRM	natural resource management	SLATS	State-wide Landcover and Trees Study (Qld)
NSW	New South Wales	TGP	total grazing pressure
NT	Northern Territory	TM (Landsat)	Thematic Mapper sensor on board the Landsat Earth Resources satellite
NVIS	National Vegetation Information System	TSDM	total standing dry matter
QDNRW	Department of Natural Resources and Water (Qld)	Vic	Victoria
Qld	Queensland	WA	Western Australia
RAP	Rangeland Assessment Program (NSW)	WARMS	Western Australian Rangeland Monitoring System
RCI	Resource Capture Index	WoNS	Weeds of National Significance
RCT	resource condition target		