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A/G	Air to Ground
AHJ	Authority Having Jurisdiction
AKA	Also known as.
ALS	Advanced Life Support
ASTREA	Aerial Support To Regional Enforcement Agencies (Sheriff's Helicopter)
ATGS	Air Tactical Group Supervisor
AZC	Assistant Zone Coordinator
BLS	Basic Life Support
CAD	Computer Aided Dispatch
CalTrans	California Department of Transportation.
CCR	California Code of Regulations
CHP	California Highway Patrol.
CMD	Command
CNF	Cleveland National Forest
COML	Communications Unit Leader.
DEH	Department of Environmental Health
ECC	Emergency Communications Center
EMS	Emergency Medical Services
EMT	Emergency Medical Technician Normally refers to the EMT-1 level, which can be EMT-1A (ambulance), EMT-1FS (fire service), EMT-1PS (police service) or EMT-1NA (non-ambulance). Paramedics are also EMT's but at the EMT-II or EMT-III level.
ETA	Estimated Time of Arrival.
FCC	Federal Communications Commission
FFS	Forest Fire Station
FIRESCOPE	Firefighting Resources of Southern California Organized for Potential Emergencies.
FP or FPB	Fire Prevention or Fire Prevention Bureau.
FPD	Fire Protection District.
FRA	Federal Responsibility Area
GHQ	General Headquarters.

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GPM	Gallons per minute
GPS	Global Positioning System
HazMat	Hazardous Materials
HCFA	Heartland Communications Facility Authority
HIRT	Hazardous Incident Response Team
HVAC	Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning
IC	Incident Commander.
ICP	Incident Command Post.
ICS	Incident Command System
ICUP	Intensive Care Unit Protocol
IDLH	Immediately Dangerous to Life and Health
IRIC	Initial Rapid Intervention Crew
LRA	Local Responsibility Area
MACS	Multi-Agency Coordination System.
MDC	Mobile Data Computer
MHz	Megahertz. Used for describing radio frequency.
MVU	Monte Vista Unit
NFDRS	National Fire Danger Rating System (often spoken as NIF-DERS).
NFIRS	National Fire Incident Reporting System
NFPA	National Fire Protection Association
NIIMS	National Interagency Incident Management System.
OAC	Operational Area Coordinator
OCC	Operations Coordination Center (in Riverside, collocated with CDFFP's Region Headquarters and USFS south zone).
OES	State of California's Office of Emergency Services. Falls under auspices of the Governor's office 3 Branches: Fire & Rescue, Law Enforcement and Administrative. County ODP is now OES.
OOS	Out-Of-Service
OPS	Operations
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
PD	Police Department

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PIO	Public Information Officer
PPE	Personal Protective Equipment
RAWS	Remote Automated Weather Station
RCIP	Regional Computer Aided Dispatch Interoperability Project
RCS	Regional Communications System
RIC	Rapid Intervention Crew
RMS	Record Management System
S/T	Strike Team. Can be of engines, crews, or dozers.
SC	Spread Component.
SCBA	Self Contained Breathing Apparatus
SDG&E	San Diego Gas & Electric
SDSO	San Diego Sheriff's Office (Department).
SOP	Standard Operating Procedure
SRA	State Responsibility Area
STEN	Strike Team Engines
TAC	Tactical
TEMS	Tactical Emergency Medical Support
TOTF	Thomas Owens Training Facility
USAR	Urban Search and Rescue
USFS	United States Forest Service
VHF	Very High Frequency
ZC	Zone Coordinator
ZDC	Zone Duty Chief

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