

Terminology and abbreviations specific to Urban Forest Strike Teams.

Term or Abbreviation	Definition or Description
ACOE	Army Corps of Engineers.
Arborist	
Assessment	
Attribute (GPS, database)	Objective (i.e. measured) or subjective (i.e. approximated) information collected for a particular task. Attributes related to trees include: species, diameter, risk rating, treatment/recommendation.
Checklist	
Consultant	
Coordinate System (GIS)	
Coordinator	Refers to the urban and community forestry coordinator for a state forestry agency (see U&CF). The manager, coordinator or director of a state's urban and community forestry program.
Data Dictionary (GPS)	
Datum (GIS)	
Decimal Degree (GIS)	
Deployment	
Disaster Declaration	
Emergency Support Function	
Feature (GPS)	
Feature File (GPS)	
FEMA	The Federal Emergency Management Agency is part of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).
FEMA Cost Sheet	A report prepared from the assessment of debris based on the current FEMA standards (FEMA 325) and community reimbursement rates at the time. The cost sheet shows tree counts, volume and cost of removal and disposal. Developed by UFST during the Oklahoma Ice Storm Response in 2008 based on the Tulsa Parks Departments agreement with FEMA in Region VI.
Fire Chief	
GIS	A Geographic Information System is an information system for capturing, storing, analyzing, managing and presenting

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	data which are spatially referenced (linked to location).
GIS Specialist	The individual(s) that assists the UFST Team Leader with data processing tasks that require mapping and the analysis of data collected. This individual may be: an ICS specialist mobilized for the incident, a staff member of the host state's forestry agency, a UFST TL or Task Specialist that has GIS skills, or someone from Urban Forestry South.
GPS	Global Positioning System (GPS) receivers can be used to determine location, speed, direction, and time. For UFST the GPS receiver captures the latitude and longitude of trees assessed for the purpose of reporting, on maps and relocating for treatment.
Ground Debris	
Hanger	
Hazard	
ICS	The Incident Command System which is part of NIMS.
Incident	
Incident Response Pocket Guide	See Pocket Guide (UFST).
IT	Information technology is "the study, design, development, implementation, support or management of computer-based information systems, particularly software applications and computer hardware."
IT Specialist	
i-Tree	
Lat/Long (GIS)	
Mobilize/Mobilization	
Municipal Forester	
NIMS	
Partnership Coordinator	
Pocket Guide (UFST)	
Projection (GIS)	
Regional; UFST (U&CF) Coordinator	
Response	Also Incident Response.
Risk	

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ROSS	
SACC	
SDAP	The Storm Damage Assessment Protocol (SDAP) is a component of the i-Tree suite of software that can be used to estimate the cost of woody debris removal following a disaster. Modified in the southern region to include estimates of volume.
Southern Region	Refers to Region 8 of the USDA FS and includes the following states: AL, AR, FL, GA, KY, LA, MS, NC, OK, SC, TN, TX, VA.
State Forester	
Task Book	
Task Specialist	An individual that has received training in the UFST assessment protocols for disaster planning, response, and recovery. An individual that has initiated the UFST Task Specialist "task book" in the ICS.
Team Leader	
Tour of Duty	See Deployment.
Treatment (Risk)	
U&CF	Urban and Community Forestry (U&CF).
Urban Forester	
Urban Forestry South	Southern Region U&CF technology transfer center located in Athens, Georgia.
USDA FS	US Department of Agriculture – Forest Service.
Woody Debris	Any damaged material from trees that is the result of a natural disaster. The material may be standing or on the ground.
www.UFST.org	The URL for the Southern Region's UFSTs.

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