

ACRONYMS/GLOSSARY: League of Women Voters Waste Management Study – 2019-2020

Some of these terms are specific to the SCS study; others are in more general use.

ALEC –	American Legislative Exchange Council
AMES –	Ames Municipal Electric Services
AD –	Anaerobic digestion
Btu –	British thermal unit (traditional unit of heat)
C&D –	Construction and demolition
CNG –	Compressed natural gas
COA –	City of Ames
EPA –	the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
ERC –	Energy Recovery Council
IDNR –	Iowa Department of Natural Resources
IDRO –	Institute for Design Research and Outreach (ISU)
ISU –	Iowa State University
IWE –	Iowa Waste Exchange
MRF –	Municipal Recovery Facility
MSW –	Municipal Solid Waste
MW –	Megawatts (measure of power)
OCC –	Old corrugated cardboard
RDF –	Refuse Derived Fuel
RRF –	Resource Recovery Facility
RRP –	Resource Recovery Plant
SCORE –	Select Committee on Recycling and Environment (Minnesota)
SCS –	The engineering company that generated the waste recommendations to COA, 2019
SRMC –	Susquehanna Resource Management Complex
SWAP –	Solid Waste Alternatives Program
USDA –	United States Department of Agriculture
WTE –	Waste to Energy