

GLOSSARY OF TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

DOL	The U.S. Department of Labor. The DOL Wage and Hour division is responsible for federal inspection of migrant labor camps under the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) standards and the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) standards.
ETA	The Employment and Training Administration of the US Department of Labor established housing rules years ago for employers who used the Interstate Clearance System to recruit migrant workers.
H-2A	Section 216 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), as amended by the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (IRCA), Section H-2A. The Immigration Reform and Control Act authorizes the lawful admission of temporary, nonimmigrant workers (H-2A workers) to perform agricultural labor or services of a temporary or seasonal nature. The Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) applies to agricultural employers seeking to hire temporary nonimmigrant foreign workers under H-2A visas.
IDEM	The Indiana Department of Environmental Management. IDEM is responsible for monitoring water, sewage, and drainage system conditions in certain labor camp housing. These must pass inspection before a camp begins operation.
IDWD	The Indiana Department of Workforce Development. Currently, the IDWD is responsible for coordinating federal labor camp inspections (OSHA) for the H-2A program.
ISDH	The Indiana State Department of Health. The ISDH is responsible for conducting on-site inspections of labor camp facilities under the Indiana Code pertaining to agricultural camps. They are the licensors of labor camps in Indiana.
MAAHS	Mid American Ag and Hort Services was organized in 2001 as a non-profit membership consortium to assist agricultural, horticultural and other employers with labor education, regulatory compliance assistance and recruiting.
MSPA	The Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act safeguards most migrant and seasonal agricultural workers in their interactions with farm labor contractors, agricultural employers, agricultural associations, and providers of migrant housing.
OSHA	The Occupational Safety and Health Administration. OSHA standards are used by the DOL for federal inspection of migrant labor camps.
PWS	Public Water Supply as defined by IDEM.
ROI	Rural Opportunities, Inc. is a private, not-for-profit regional community development and human service organization providing services to farmworkers, low-income families and economically depressed communities throughout New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Ohio, Indiana and Puerto Rico. ROI has a program to assist housing providers in locating finances and technical assistance to upgrade housing.