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### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AIC Akaike information criterion

AICc corrected Akaike information criterion

BCE Before common era

CE Common era

DBH Diameter at breast height
EC Electrical conductivity
GLM Generalized linear model

K Potassium

LaRC Langley Research Center

MFA Multiple factor analysis

MS Microsoft
N Nitrogen

NASA National Aeronautics and Space Administration

P Phosphorus

PAR Photosynthetically Active Radiation

POWER Prediction of Worldwide Energy Resource

RH Relative Humidity

RMSE Root means square error

S Sulphur

SOC Soil organic carbon

