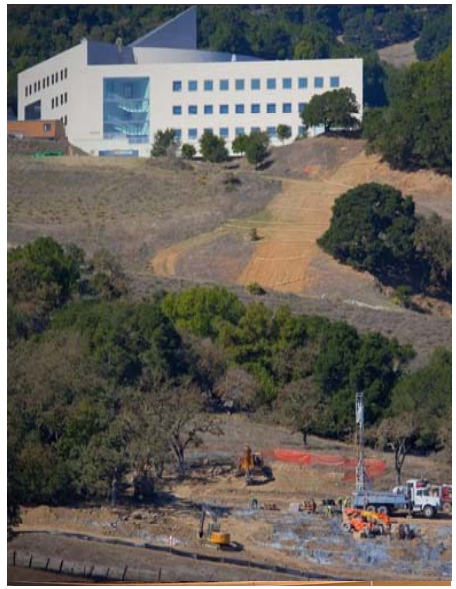

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Geothermal Heat Exchange Systems:

Case Studies & Lessons Learned

Date: April 11, 2013

PRESENTED TO: GOLDEN GATE ASHRAE CHAPTER

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Sustainable Projects

U.S. GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL MEMBER	109 LEED Projects	22 Platinum 62 Gold 21 Silver
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Net-ZERO COUNTDOWN...NET-ZERO AND BEYOND	9 Net Zero Energy Projects	
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Agenda:

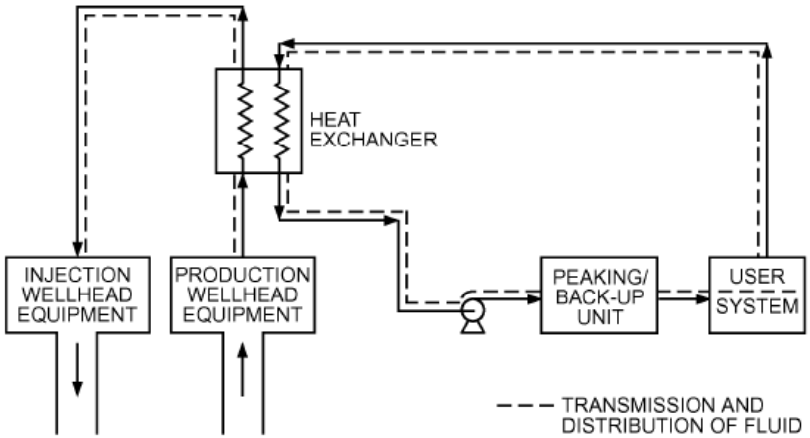
- What is Geothermal
- Geothermal Design
- Guidelines and Codes
- Geothermal Construction
- Geothermal = Energy and Water efficiency
- Cost and Incentives
- Design Case Study
- Case Studies
- Q & A

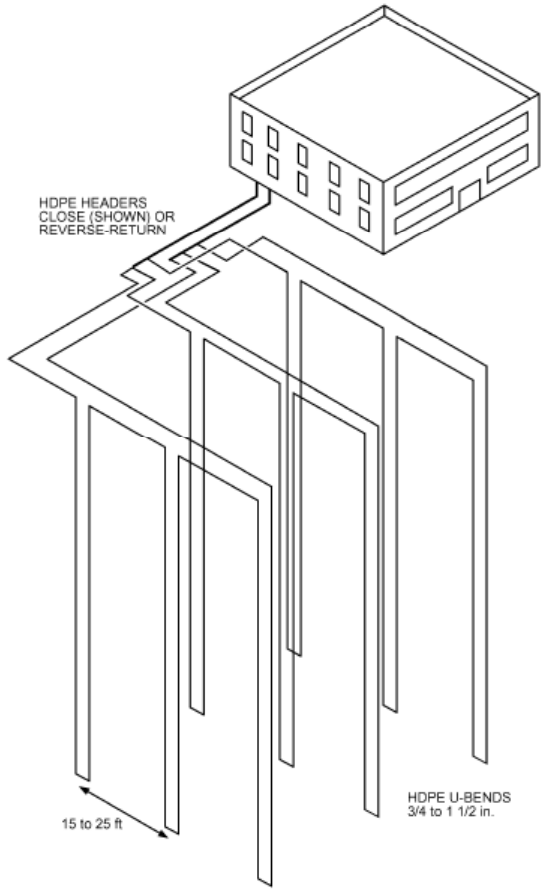
What is Geothermal?

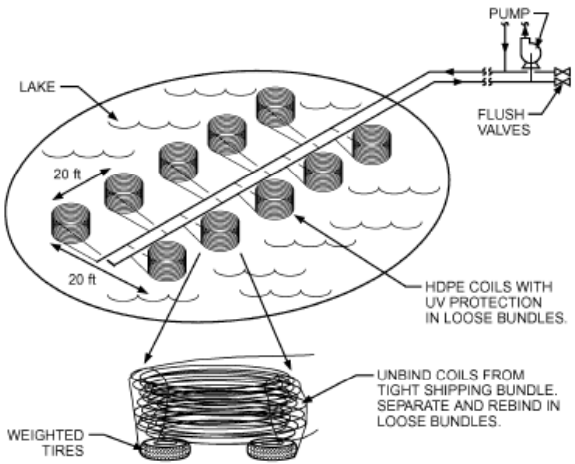
It is **NOT**

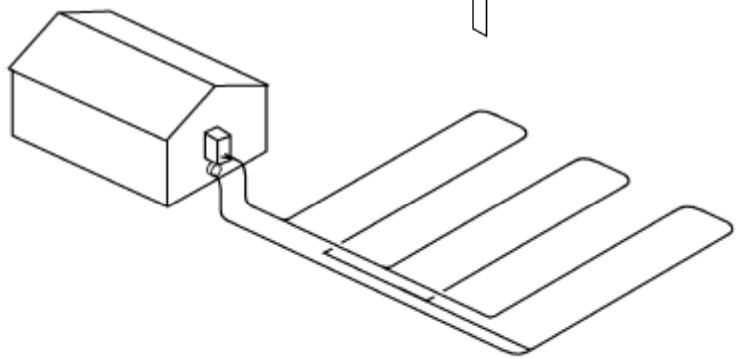
Geothermal Design

Geothermal Heat Exchange









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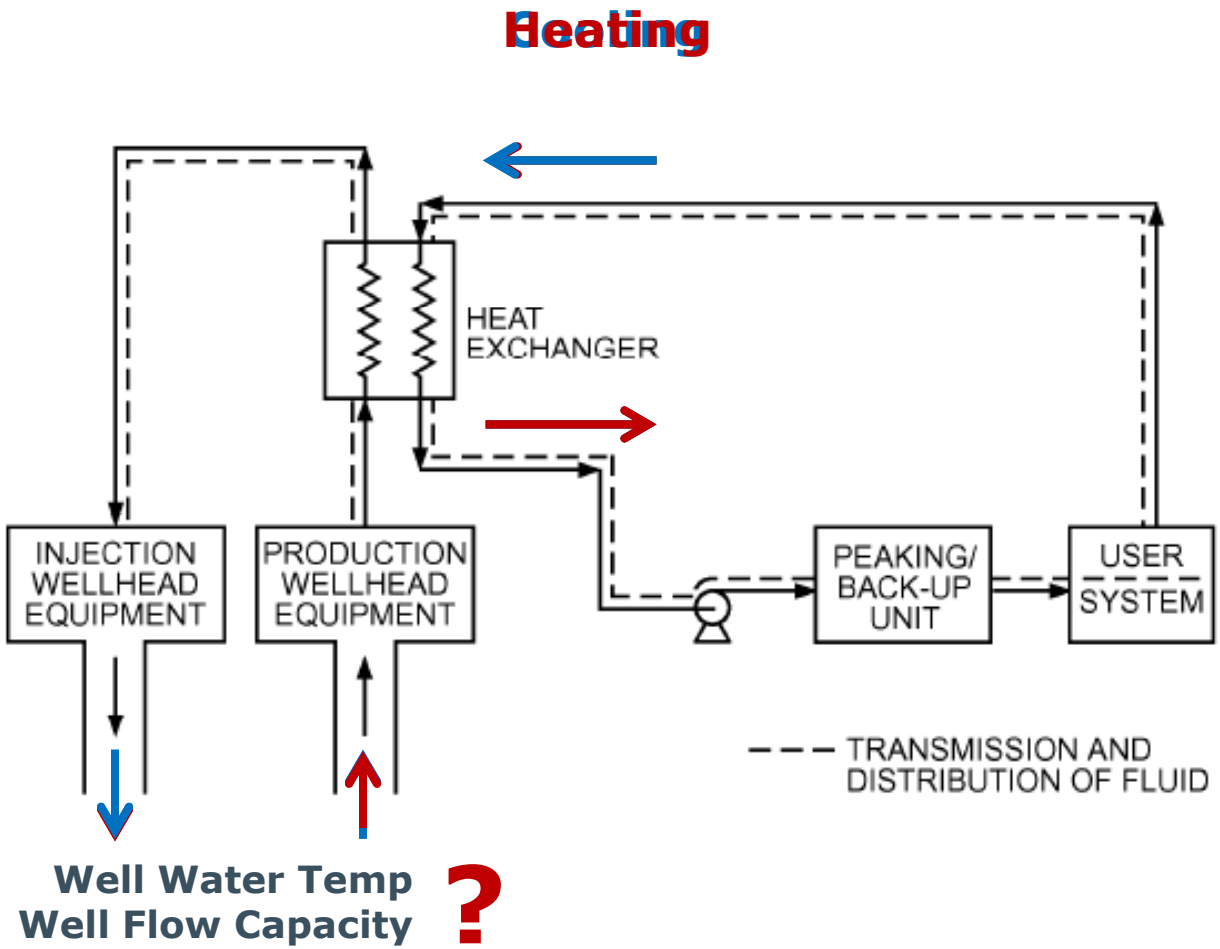
Geothermal Design

Open Loop/Well Design



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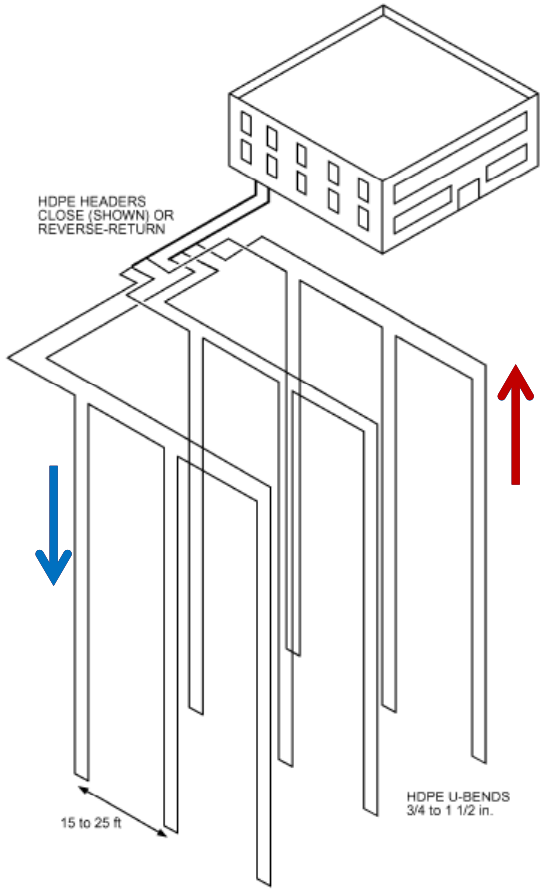
Geothermal Design

Closed Loop/Bore Design

Heating



Geological Formation
Ground Temp
Bore Capacity

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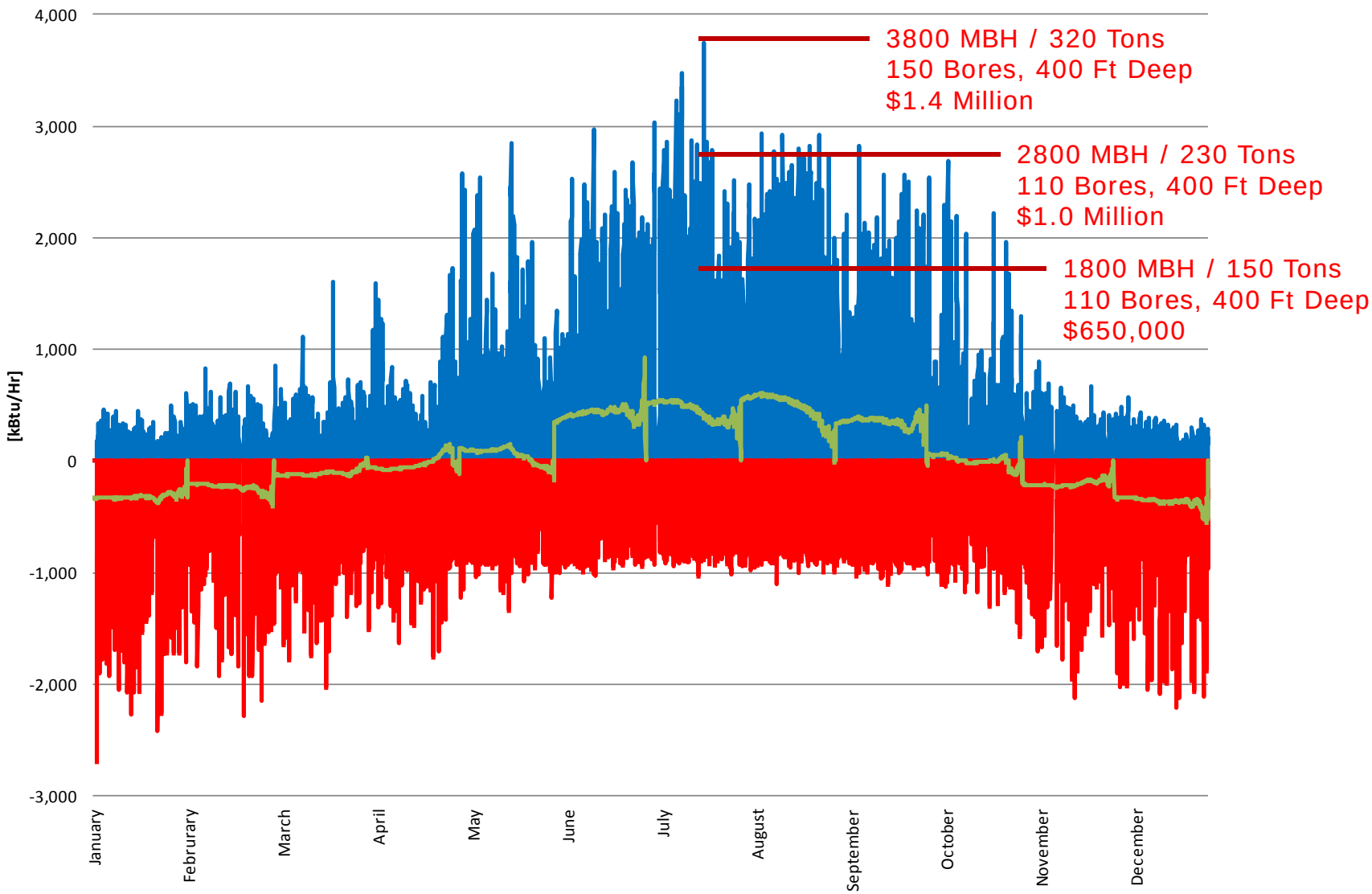
Geothermal Design

Building Load Profile



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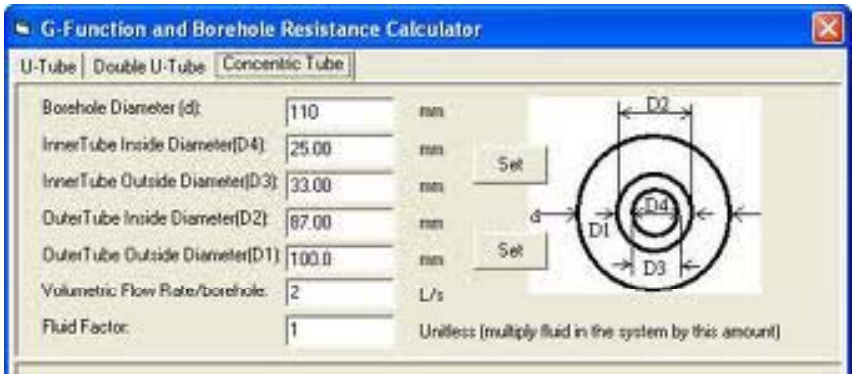

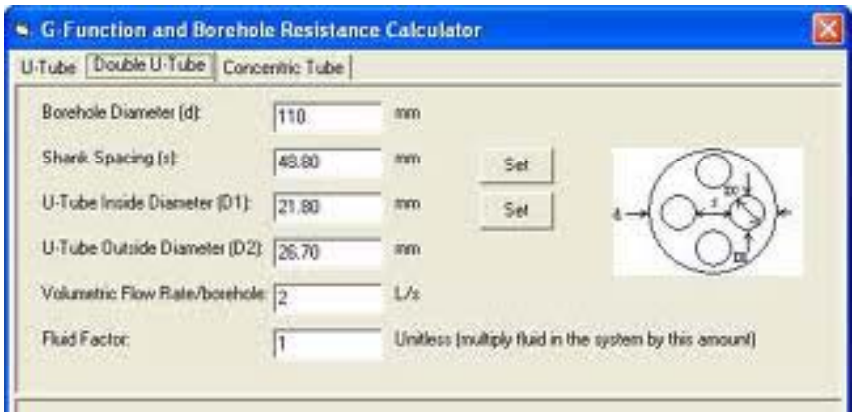

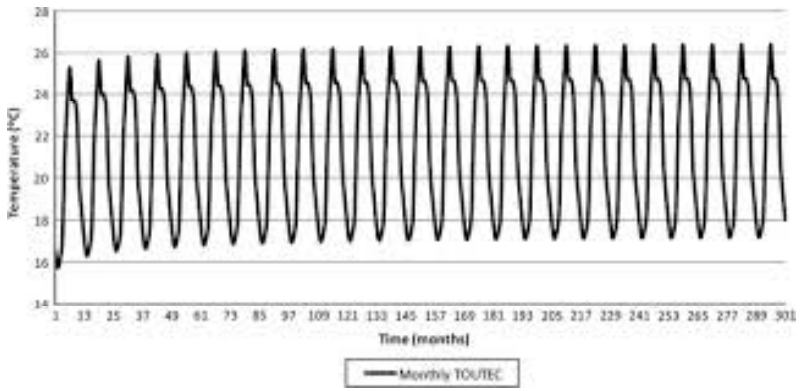

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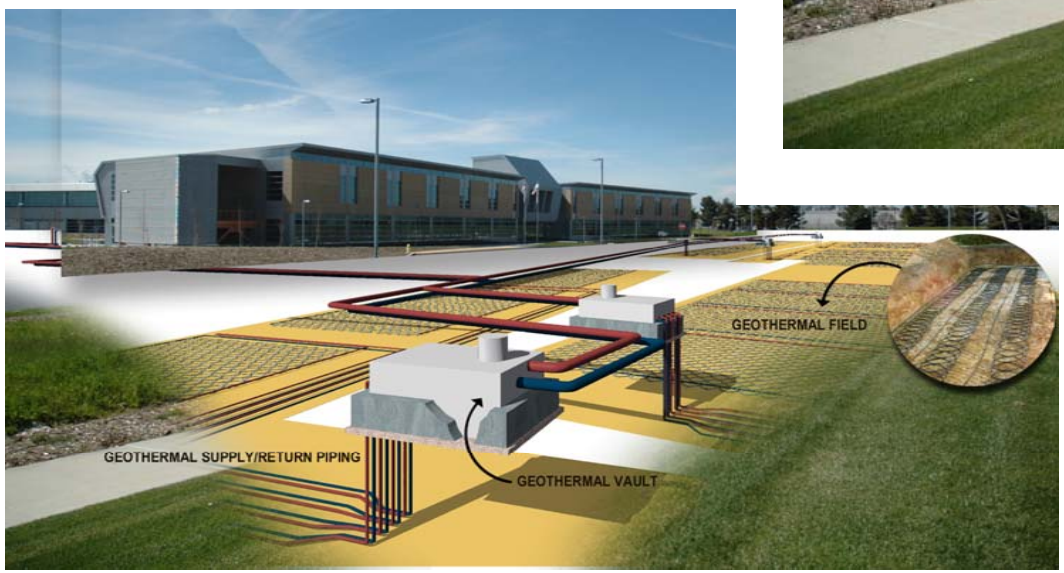

Guidelines and Codes

ASHRAE®

GEOEXCHANGE™

ACCREDITED IGSHPA International Ground Source Heat Pump Association

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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

Guidelines and Codes

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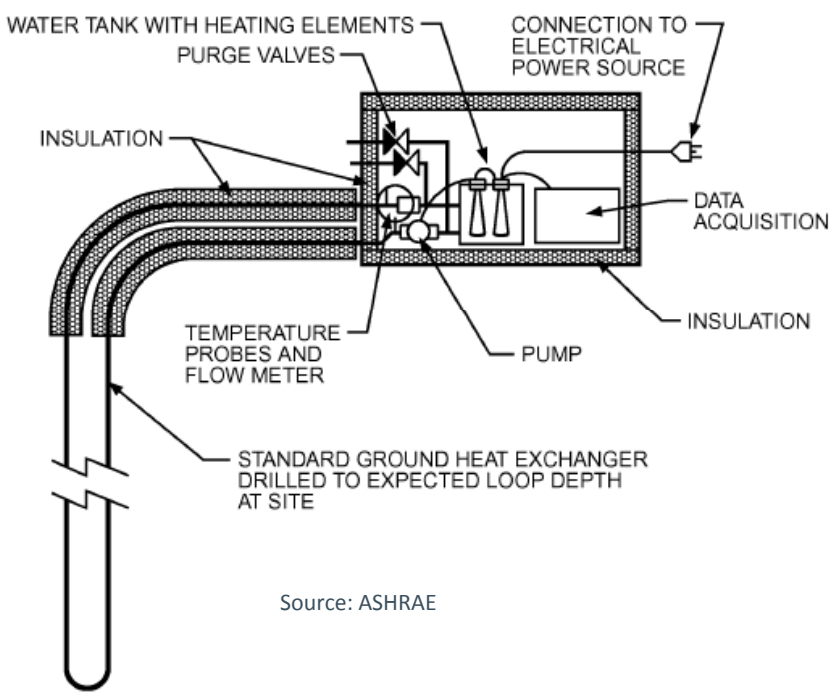
Test Bore



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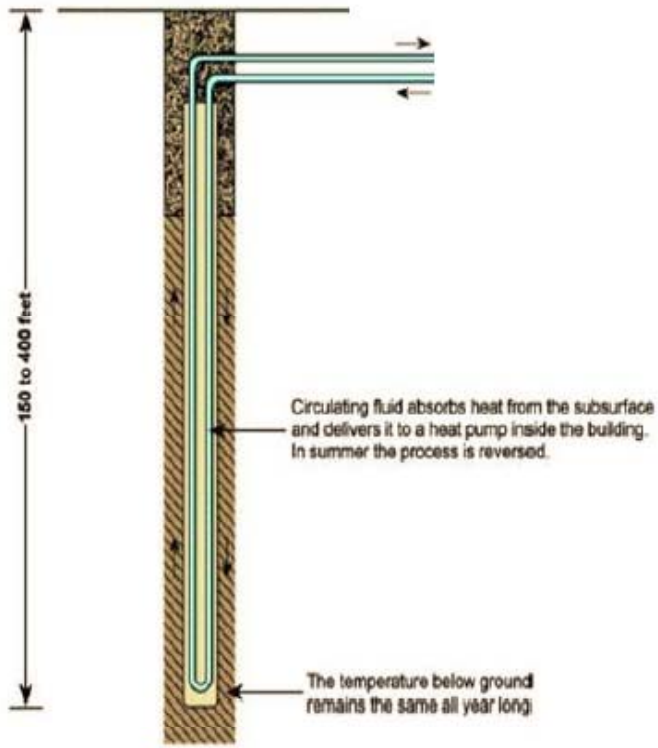
Bore Design/Construction



Guidelines and Codes

CEC – AB 2339

CALIFORNIA
ENERGY COMMISSION

AB 2339 (Williams & V. Manuel Pérez)
Renewable Thermal Energy Deployment Act

SUMMARY

AB 2339 requires the California Energy Commission (CEC) to identify and address existing barriers to the deployment of geothermal heat pumps and geothermal ground loop technologies.

NEED FOR THE BILL

There should be a statewide effort to identify and address why such readily available, efficient and cost effective technologies are not widely used in California.

AB 2339 directs the CEC to evaluate, and recommend policies and implementation strategies to address the barriers impeding the use of geothermal technologies in California.

ENERGY.GOV: Geothermal = Renewable Energy

Guidelines and Codes

DWR – GHEW Standards Update

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

GHEW Standards – Draft Created in 1999

GHEW Standards – Draft Being Updated

Closed Loop Systems – DWR GHEW Standards Apply

Open Loop Systems – DWR Water Well Standards Apply

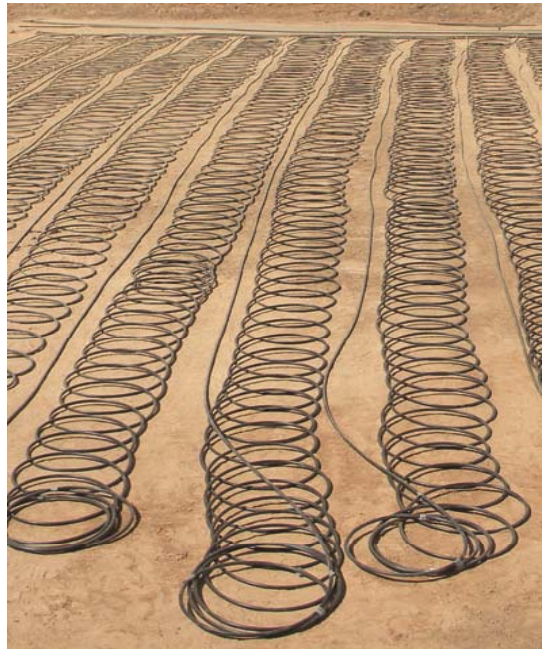
Local Water Agency is AHJ

Geothermal Construction

Pipe & Fittings

Geothermal Construction

Pipe, Trenches, Bores, & Drill rigs



Geothermal Construction

Vaults & Valves

Geothermal Construction

Why HDPE?

Smooth Walls and Same Hydraulic Capacity Over Lifetime

Reduced Pressure Loss

50 to 100 Year Lifetime

50 Year Pipe Warranty

Potable Water Use

Recyclable

AWWA
ASTM
NSF
CSA

Non Toxic

1600 psi Hydrostatic Design Basis at 73°F per ASTM D-2837

Chemical & Corrosion Resistance

Geothermal: Energy Water Nexus

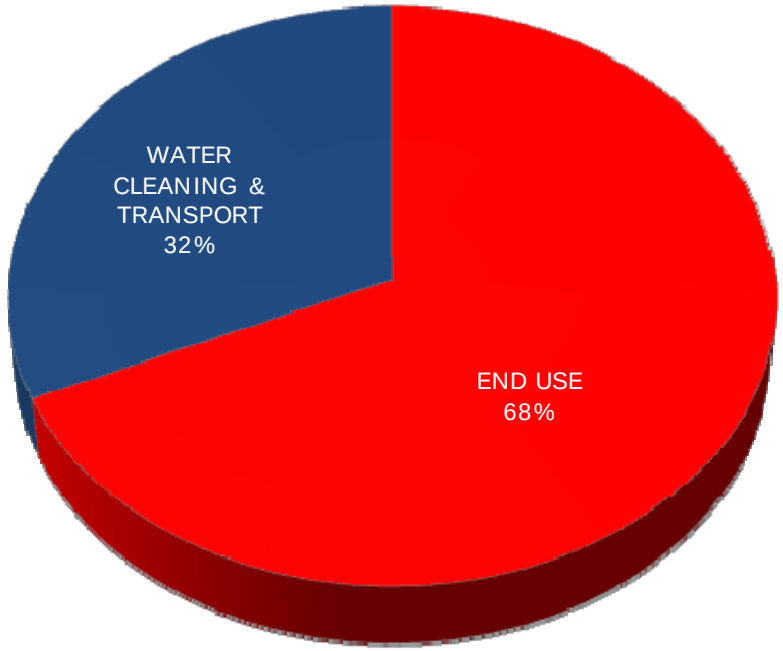
CEC 2005 Report

Table 1-1: Water-Related Energy Use in California in 2001

	Electricity (GWh)	Natural Gas (Million Therms)	Diesel (Million Gallons)
Water Supply and Treatment			
Urban	7,554	19	?
Agricultural	3,188		
End Uses			
Agricultural	7,372	18	88
Residential	27,887	4,220	?
Commercial			
Industrial			
Wastewater Treatment	2,012	27	?
Total Water Related Energy Use	**48,012**	**4,284**	**88**
Total California Energy Use	**250,494**	**13,571**	?
Percent	**19%**	**32%**	?

Source: California Energy Commission

CA WATER RELATED ENERGY USE



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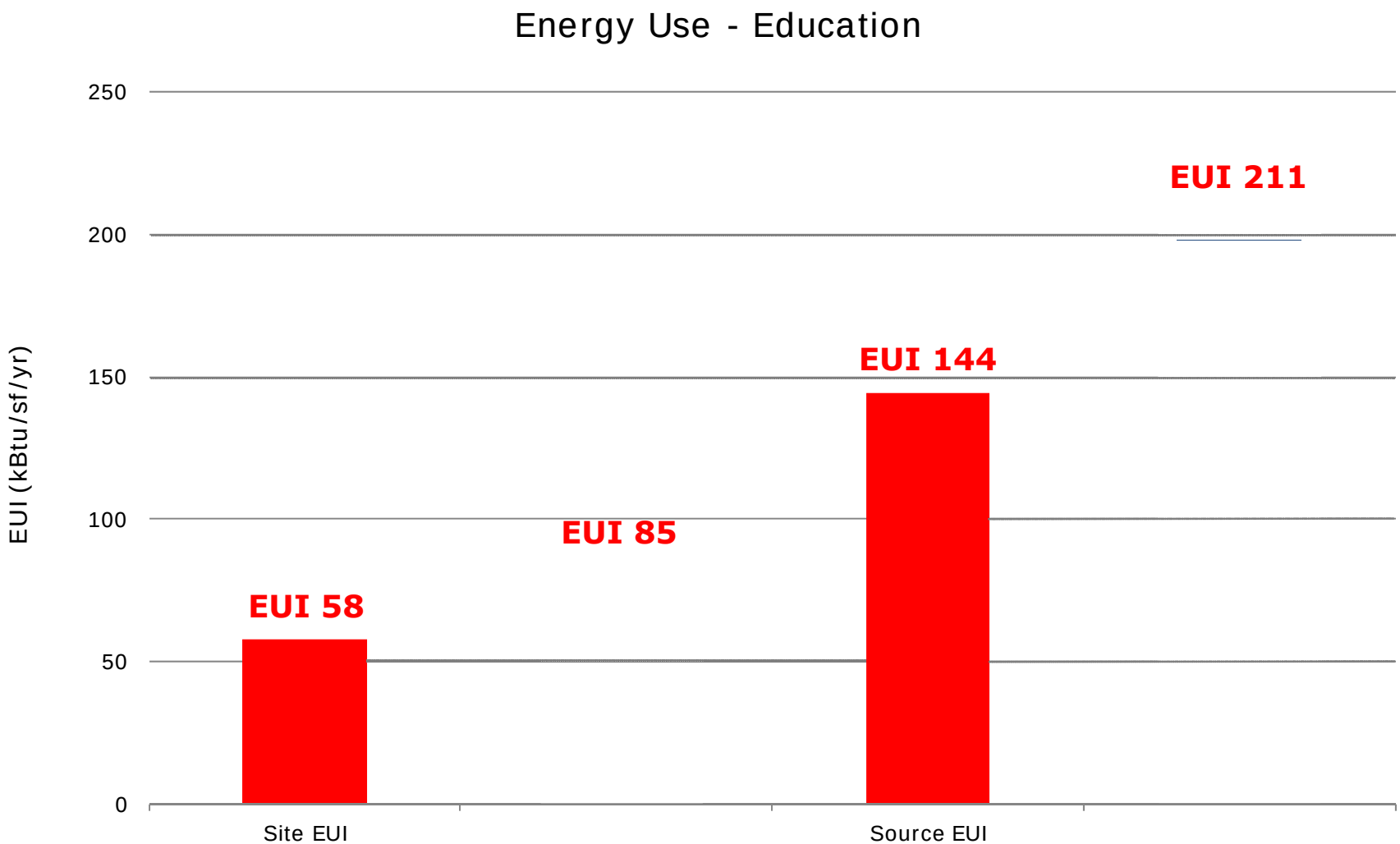
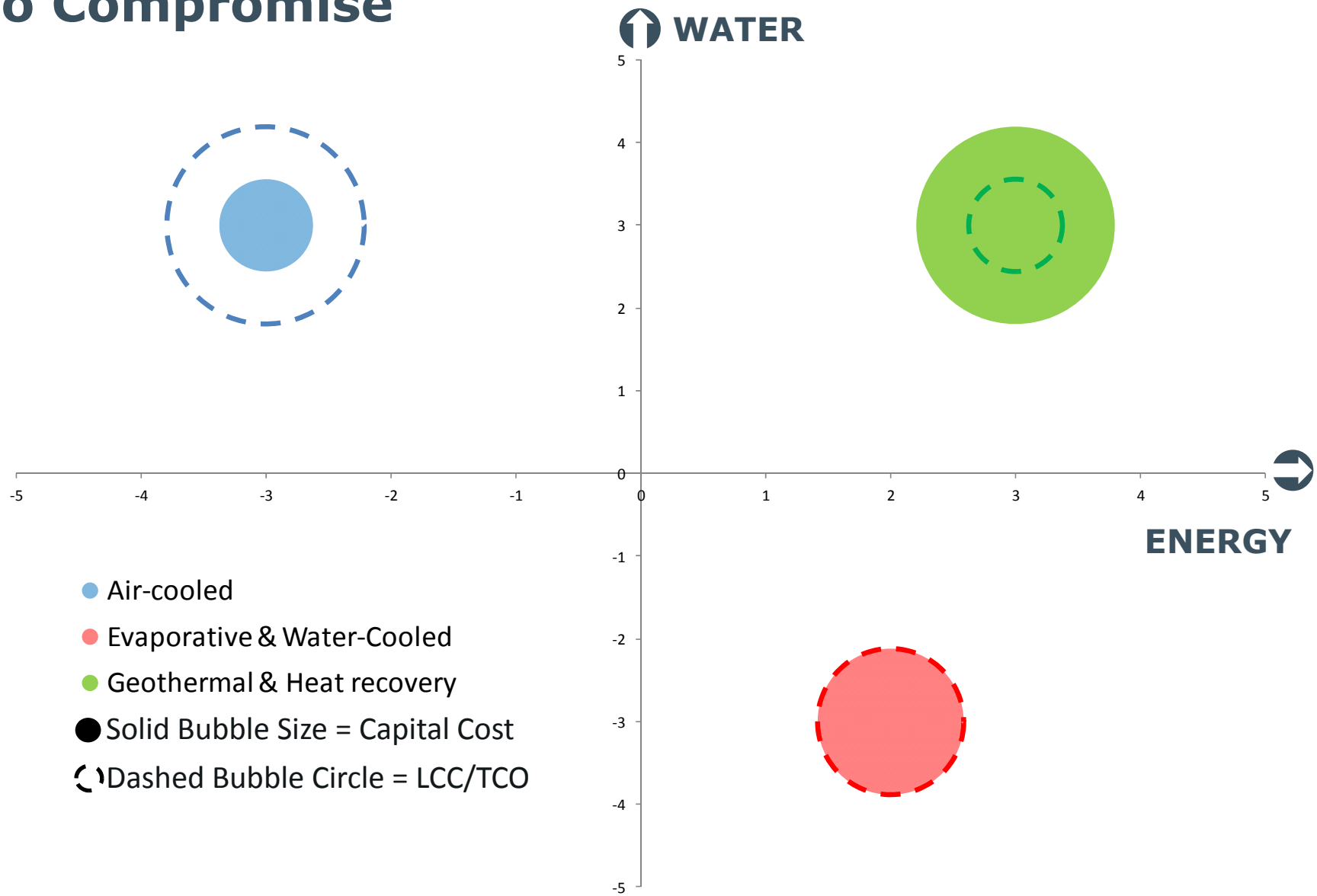


(Data Source: 2003 CBECS Survey)

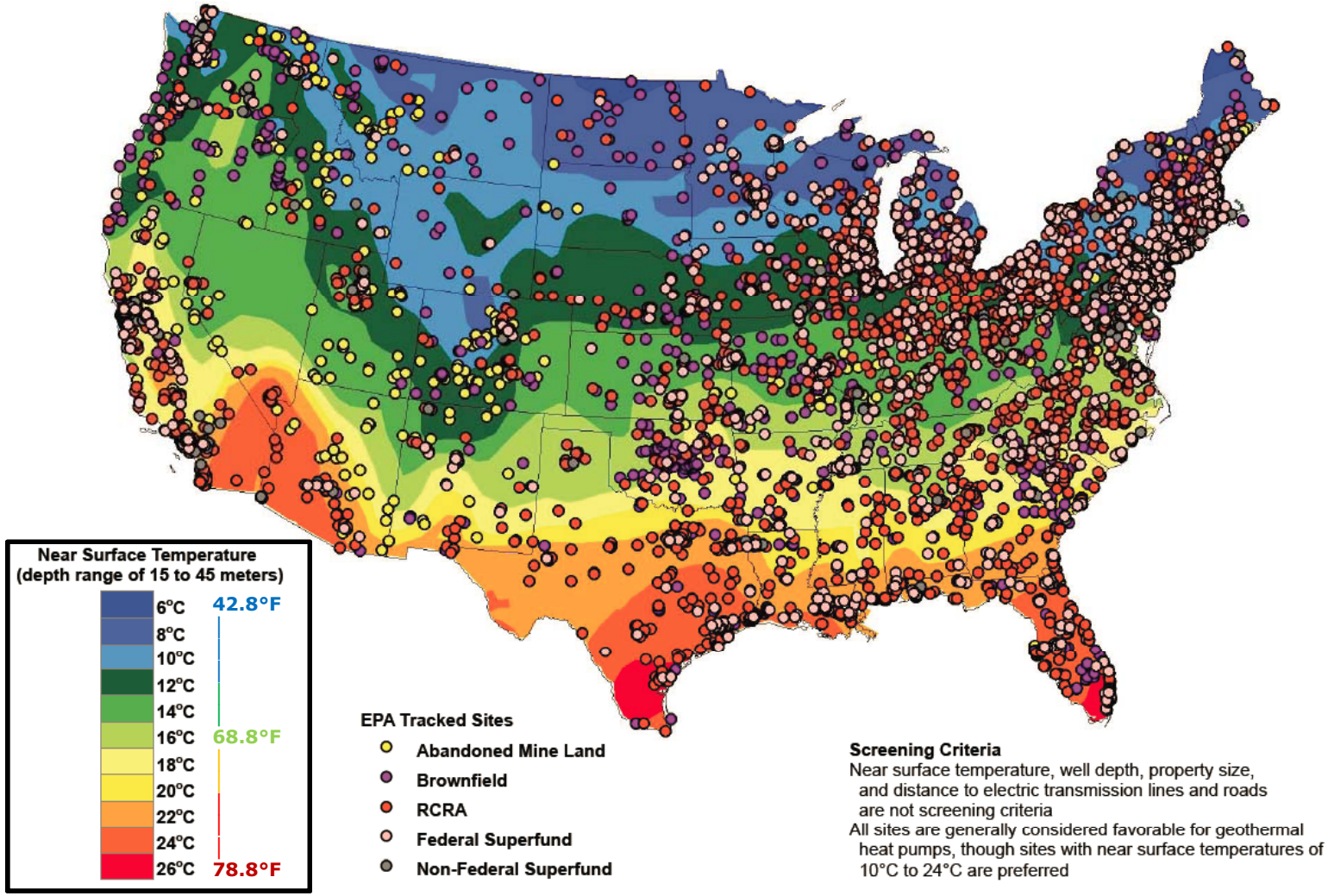
Geothermal: Energy and Water

No Compromise



Geothermal: Energy Efficiency

EPA Tracked Sites with Geothermal Heat Pump Siting Potential



Screening Criteria

Near surface temperature, well depth, property size, and distance to electric transmission lines and roads are not screening criteria

All sites are generally considered favorable for geothermal heat pumps, though sites with near surface temperatures of 10°C to 24°C are preferred

EPA

This map was developed by SRA International for the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) OSWER Center for Program Analysis. Results are based on site screening criteria adapted from National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) criteria and GIS data provided by Southern Methodist University (SMU) Geothermal Laboratory, NREL and EPA. This map and its associated data are intended to provide a general understanding of the renewable energy potential of EPA tracked sites; ***additional site-specific technical and economic analysis is required to determine the actual energy generation potential of EPA tracked sites****. For further information, please see the accompanying Data Guidelines document at www.epa.gov/renewableenergyland or contact cleanenergy@epa.gov.*

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Cost and Incentives

Cost of Geothermal:

- Vertical Bore ~$4,000/Ton
- Horizontal Slinky ~$3,500 (+ Site Work Costs)

Federal Incentives

- MACRS + Depreciation: 50% year 1 + 12.5% years 2-5
- Investment Tax Credit (ITC): 10% year 1

Finance Solutions

- GeoTPA (LVESTUS, Others..)

No CA State Incentives

- Not yet Considered Renewable
- Coming soon?

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy

Design Case Study

30,000 SF Lab

Design Case Study

30,000 SF Lab, 3 Stories, Detention Pond

Design Case Study

Energy Analysis

Options	Simulation Summary	Total Energy Use			% Energy Savings vs Baseline
		Electricity (kWh)	Natural Gas (Therms)	EUI (kBtu/sf/yr)	
T24	VAV Air Handlers with HW Reheat (T24 Base Option)	951,621	25,545	207	BASE
1a	Water Cooled Heat Recovery Chiller, Domestic Water Heat Exchanger	976,720	0	119	42.6%
1b	Option 1a with Four Pipe VAV in Dry Labs	1,004,393	0	122	40.9%
1c	Option 1a with Four Pipe VAV in Wet Labs	953,121	0	116	43.9%
2	Water Cooled Heat Recovery Chiller, Closed-Loop Geothermal Array	941,564	0	115	44.6%
3a	Condensing Boiler and Air Cooled Chillers	644,761	20,253	151	27.2%
3b	Option 3a with Four Pipe VAV in Wet Labs	647,017	18,383	144	30.3%
4	Condensing Boilers, DX Lab Air Handler, Packaged Office Air Handler	936,002	17,734	164	20.8%

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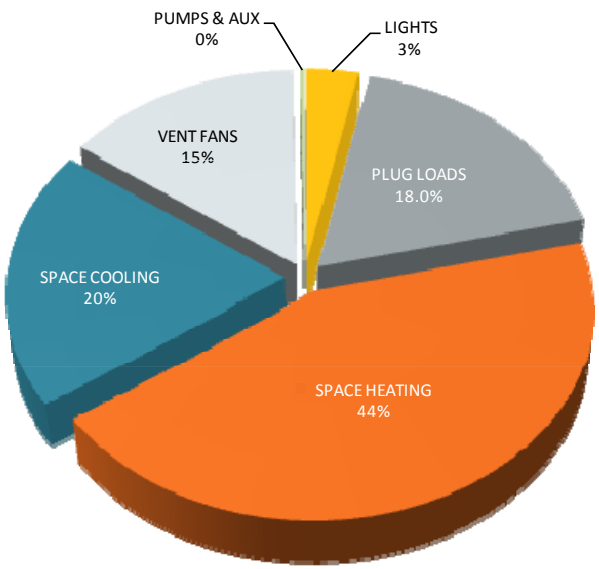
Water flow data not available

$850,000

Title 24 HVAC



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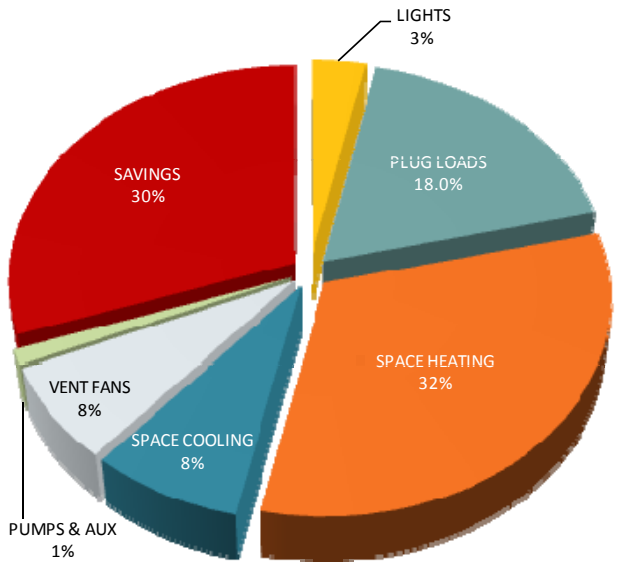

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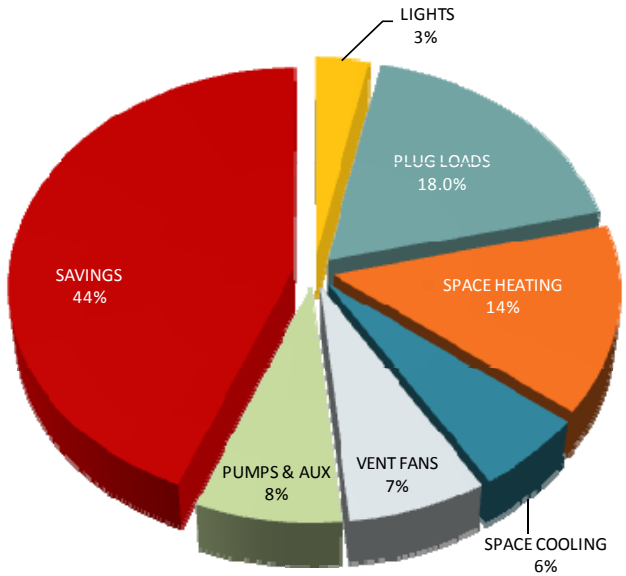
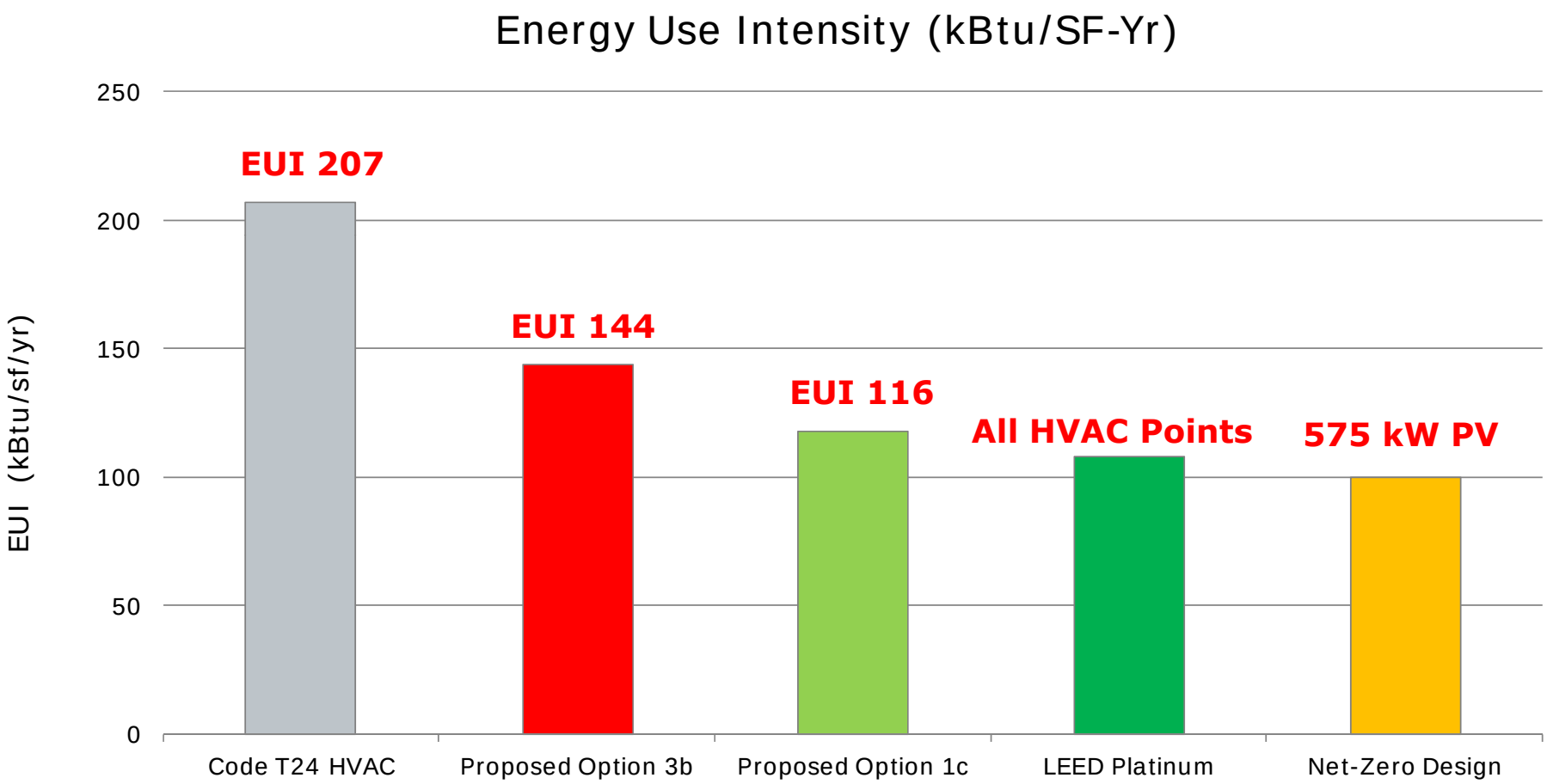


Design Case Study

Net-Zero?



Design Case Study

LCC

LIFECYCLE COST ANALYSIS

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1a	Water Cooled Heat Recovery Chiller + Domestic Water HX	$2,970,000	$20,616	$43,779	$122,091	$25,545	8	$5,520,789	$12,320,698	119
1b	1a + Four Pipe VAV in Dry Labs	$2,948,500	$20,616	$43,779	$125,549	$0	11	$5,599,453	$12,554,489	122
1c	1a + Four Pipe VAV in Wet Labs	$3,000,000	$20,616	$43,779	$119,140	$25,545	8	$5,487,111	$12,154,637	116
2	Water Cooled Heat Recovery Chiller + Geothermal HX	$3,850,900	$20,616	$43,779	$117,696	$27,556	23	$6,304,840	$12,907,588	115
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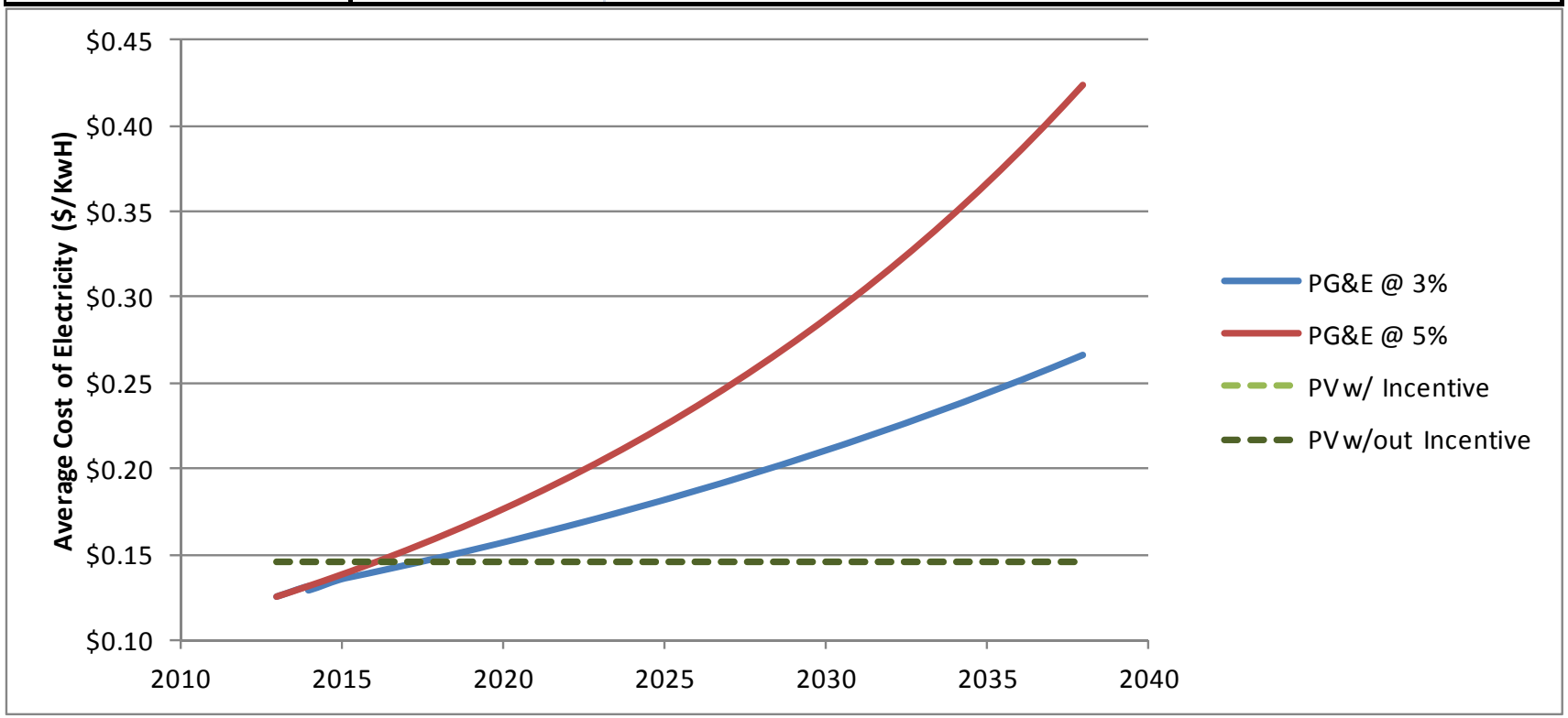
Reach for Net-Zero, Add PV

Year	$/kwh	PV $/kWh cost w/Incentives	PV $/kWh cost w/out Incentives
2013	$0.13	$0.15	$0.15
2037 (3%/Yr Increase)	$0.19		
2037 (5%/Yr Increase)	$0.24		
PV Array Size	575	kW	
PV Array Cost	$3,415,500.00	Without Incentives	
PV Array Cost	$3,401,125.00	With Incentives	



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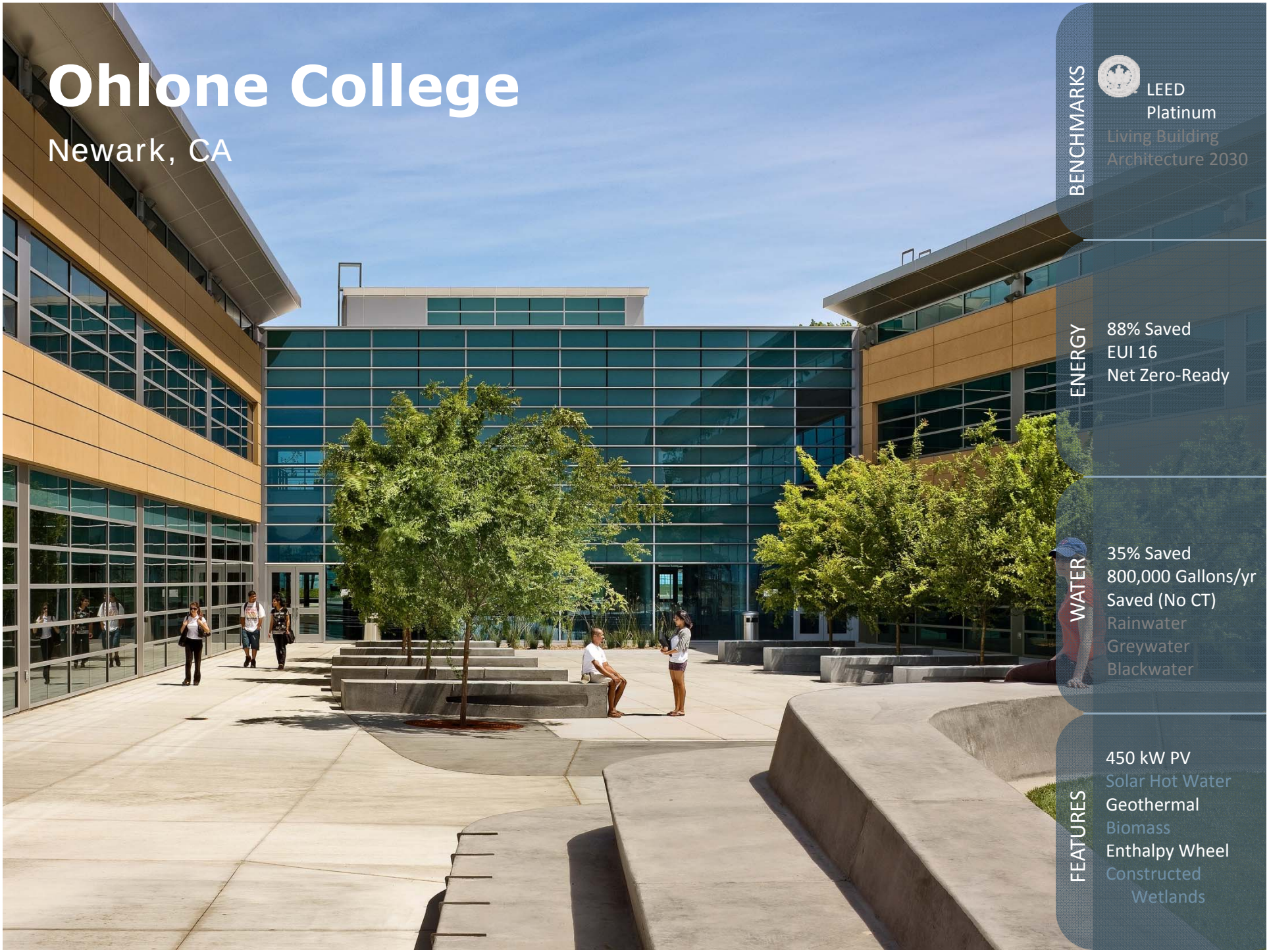

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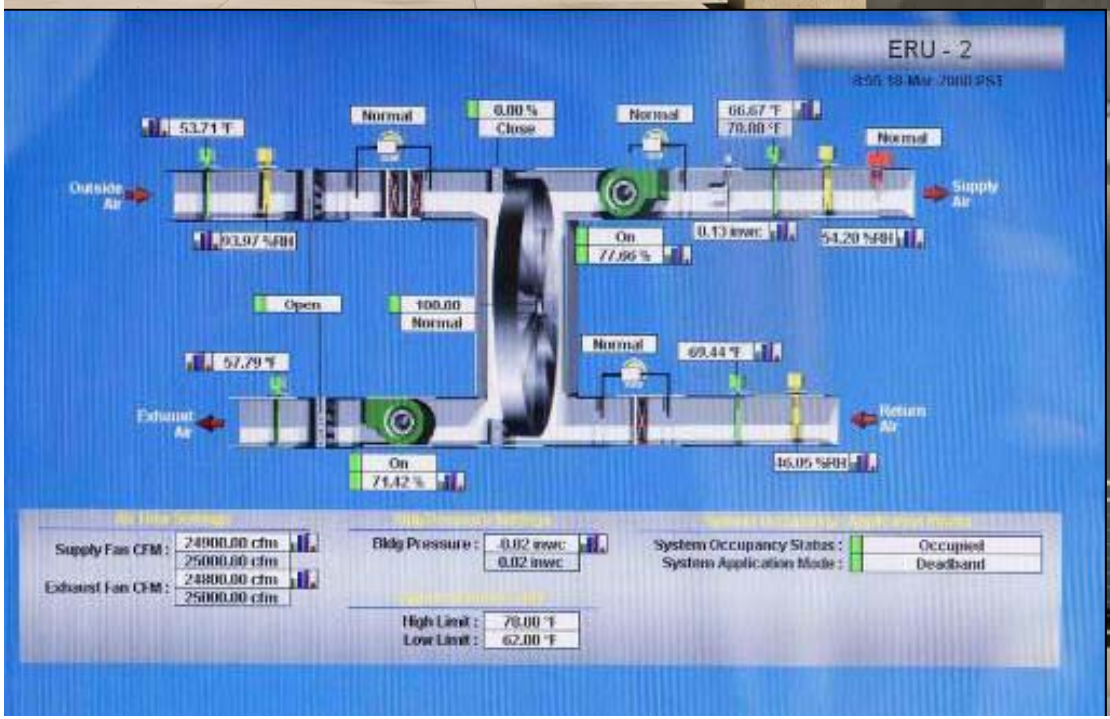

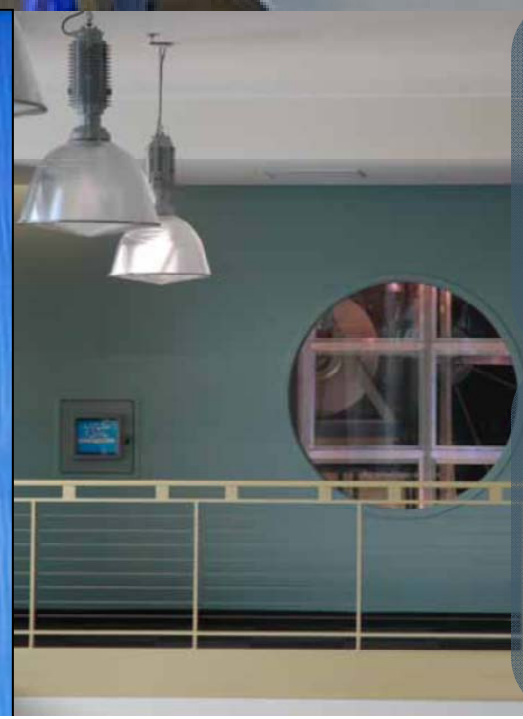

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450 KW PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEM

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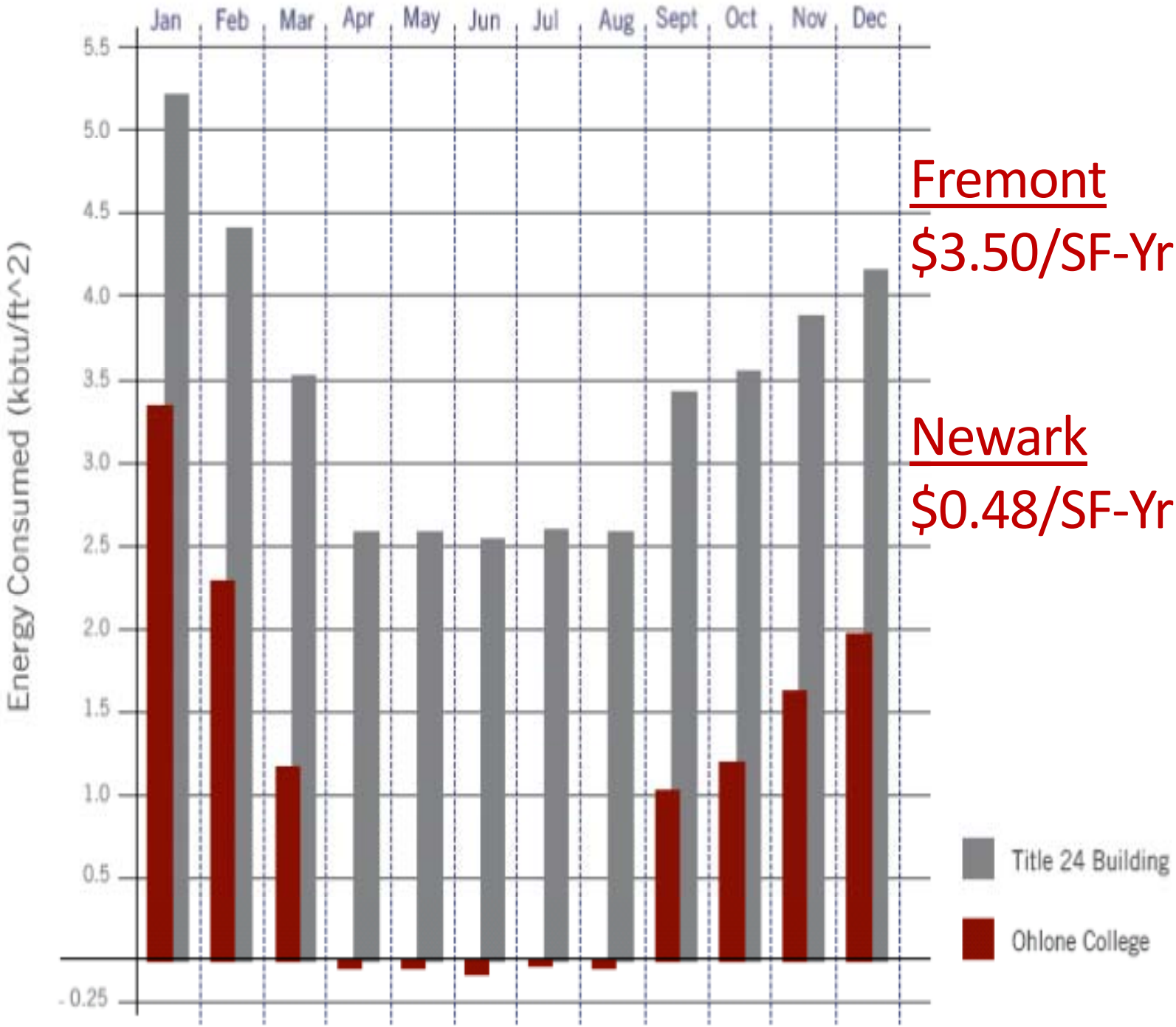

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College Of Marin: KTD Campus

Kentfield, CA

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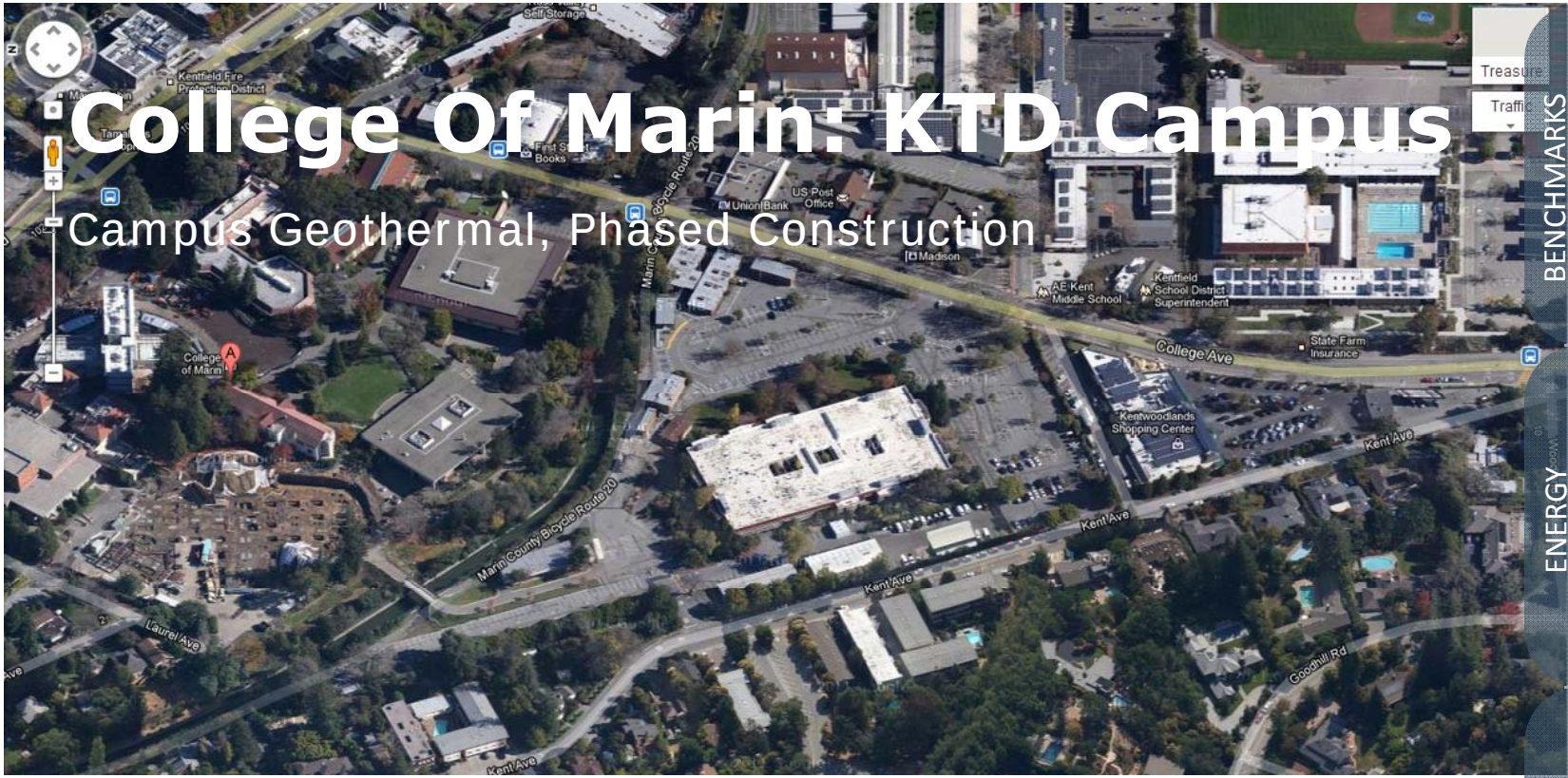
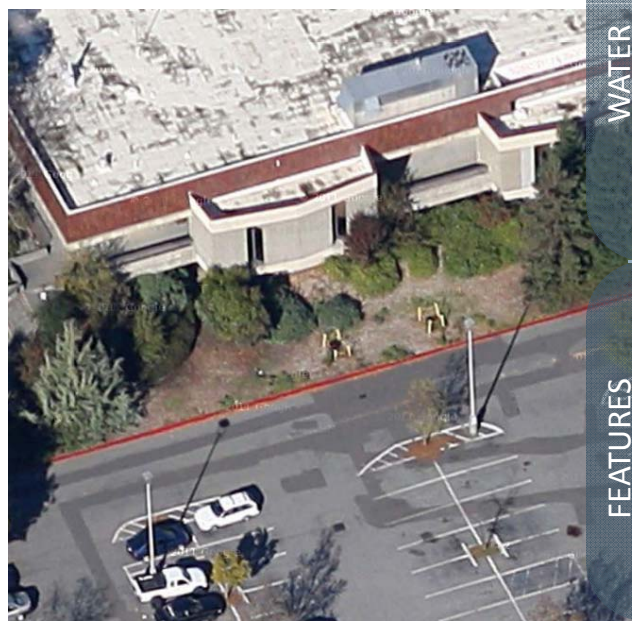
Campus Geothermal, Phased Construction





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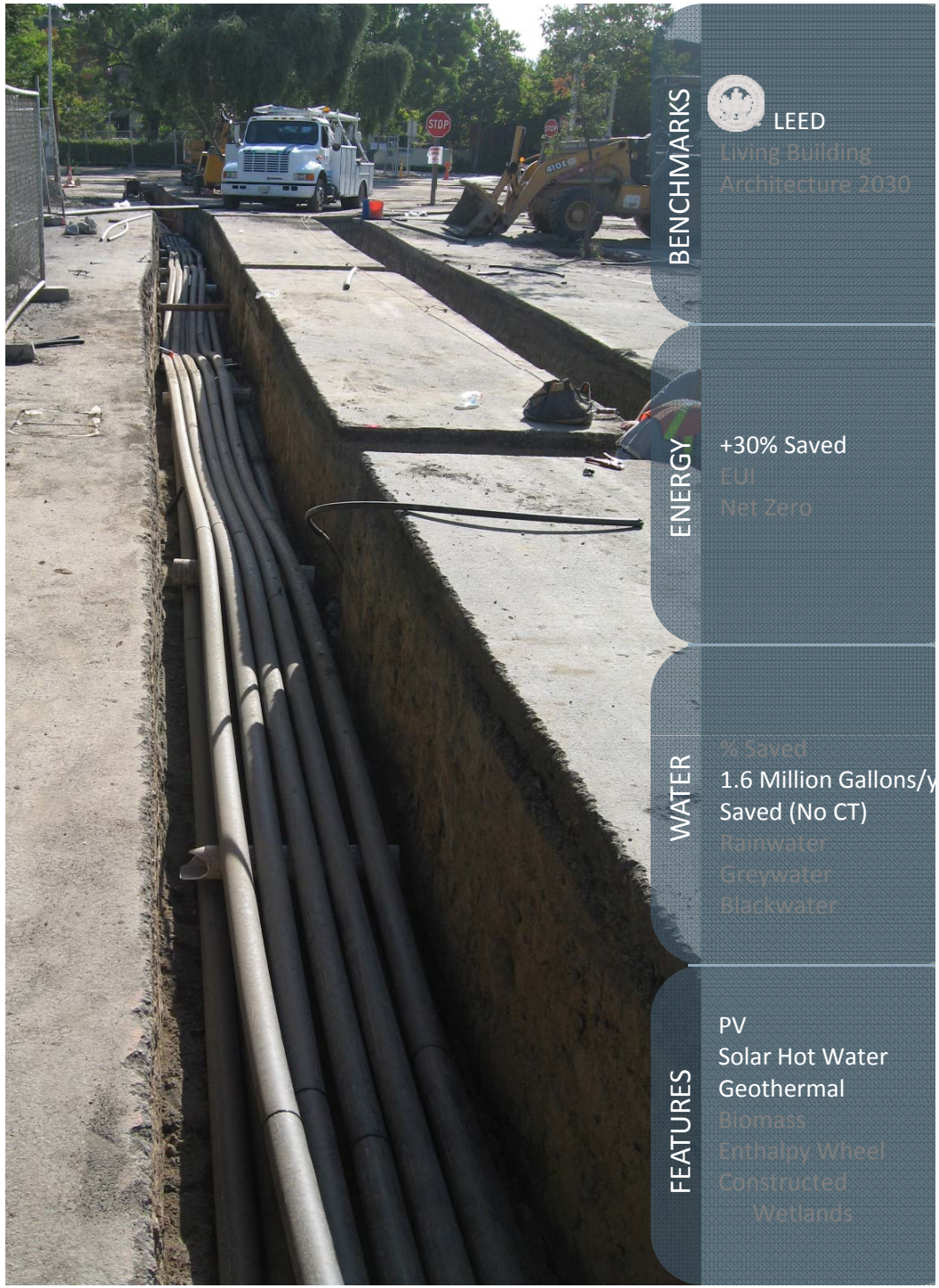

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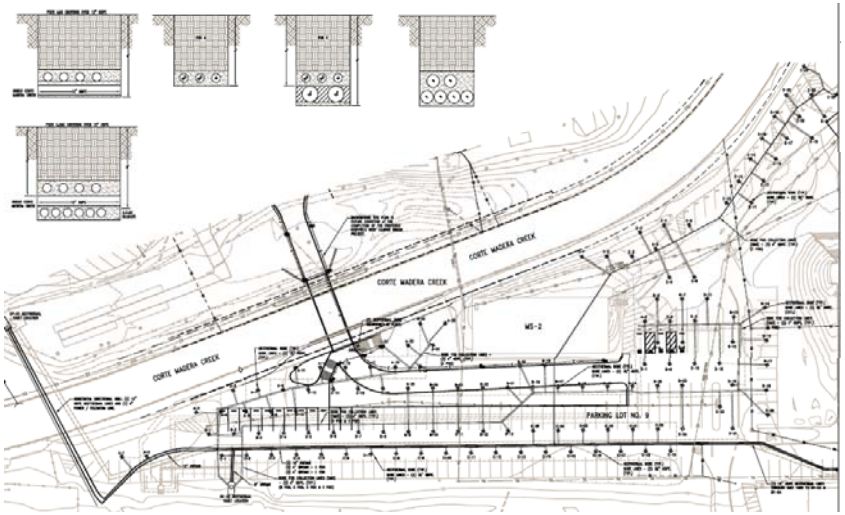
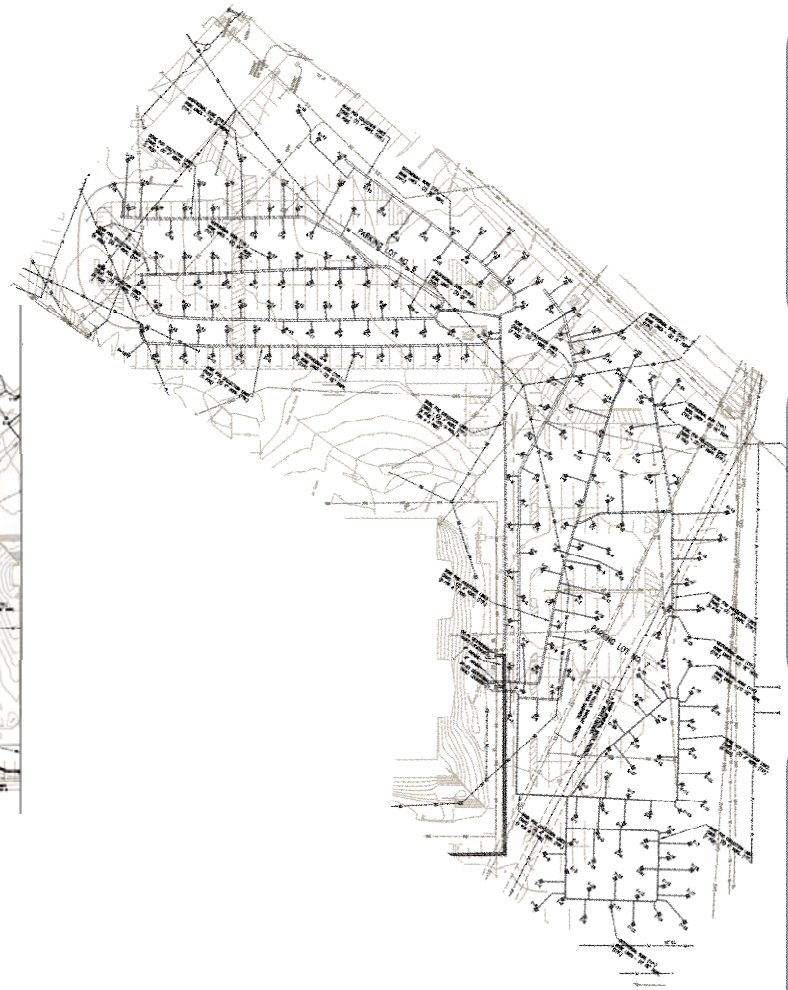
College Of Marin: KTD Campus

Vertical Closed Loop

- 340 Bores
- 380’ Deep
- 3 Valve Vaults
- 650 Ton Capacity





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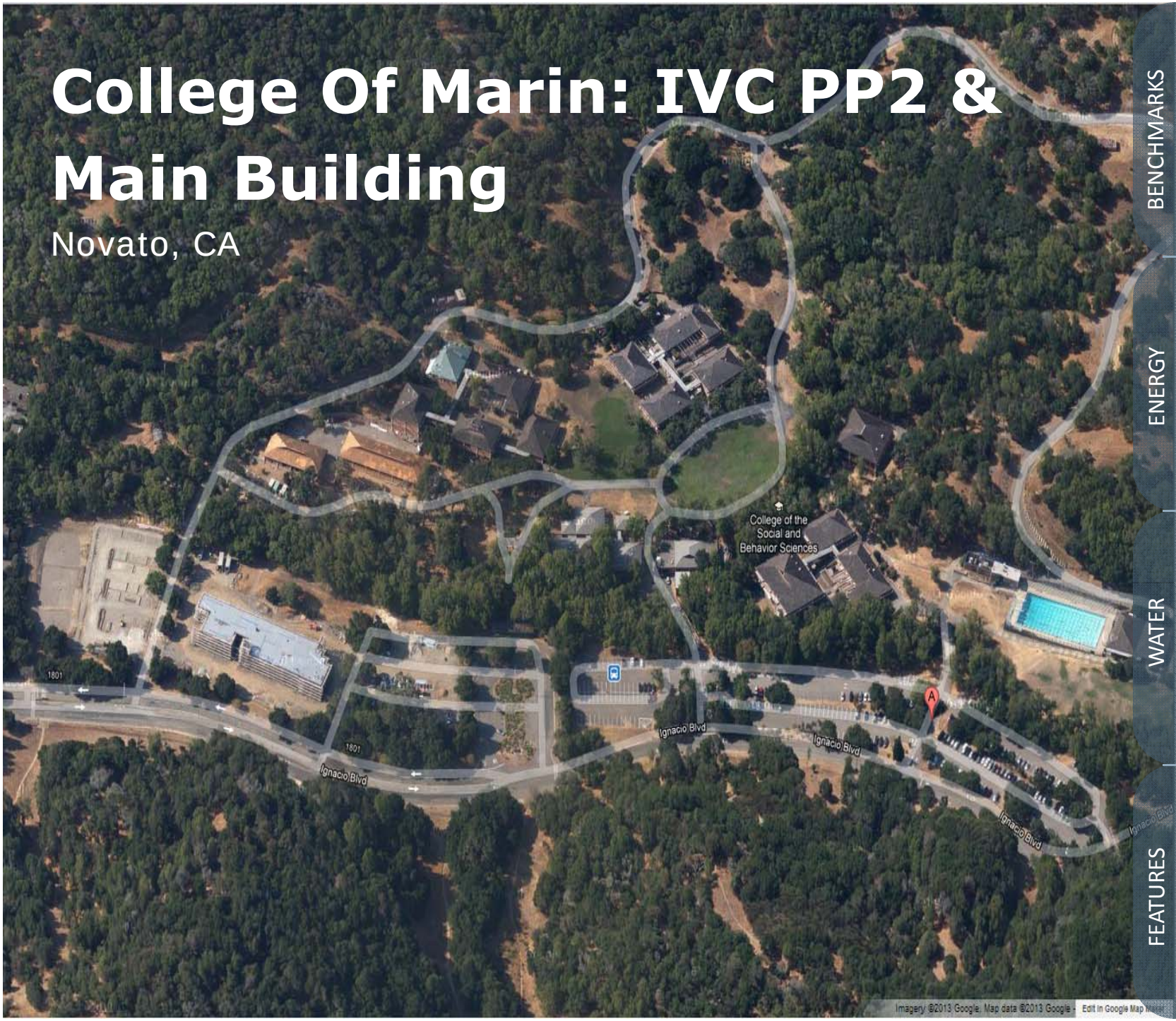
College Of Marin: IVC PP2 & Main Building

Novato, CA



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Simpler System, Less Maintenance, Energy & Water Efficiency

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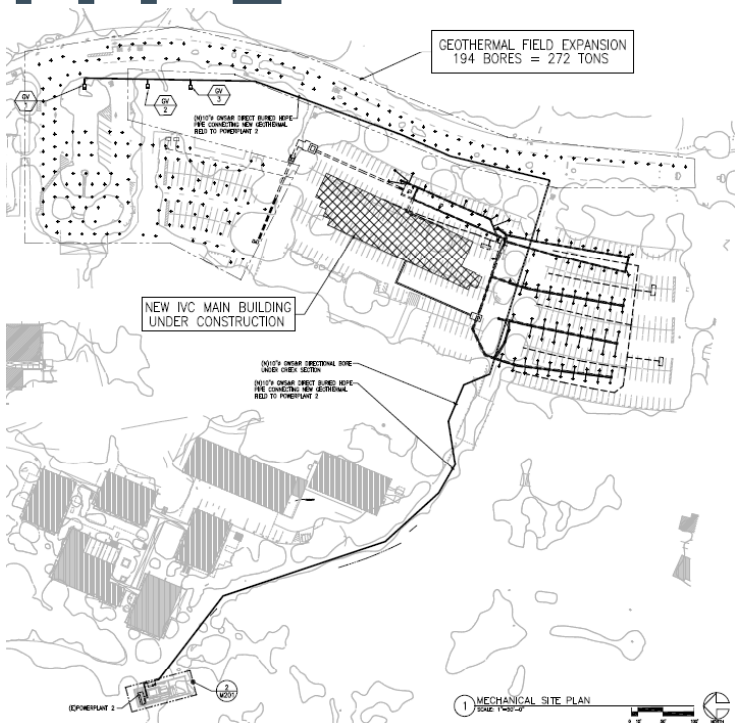
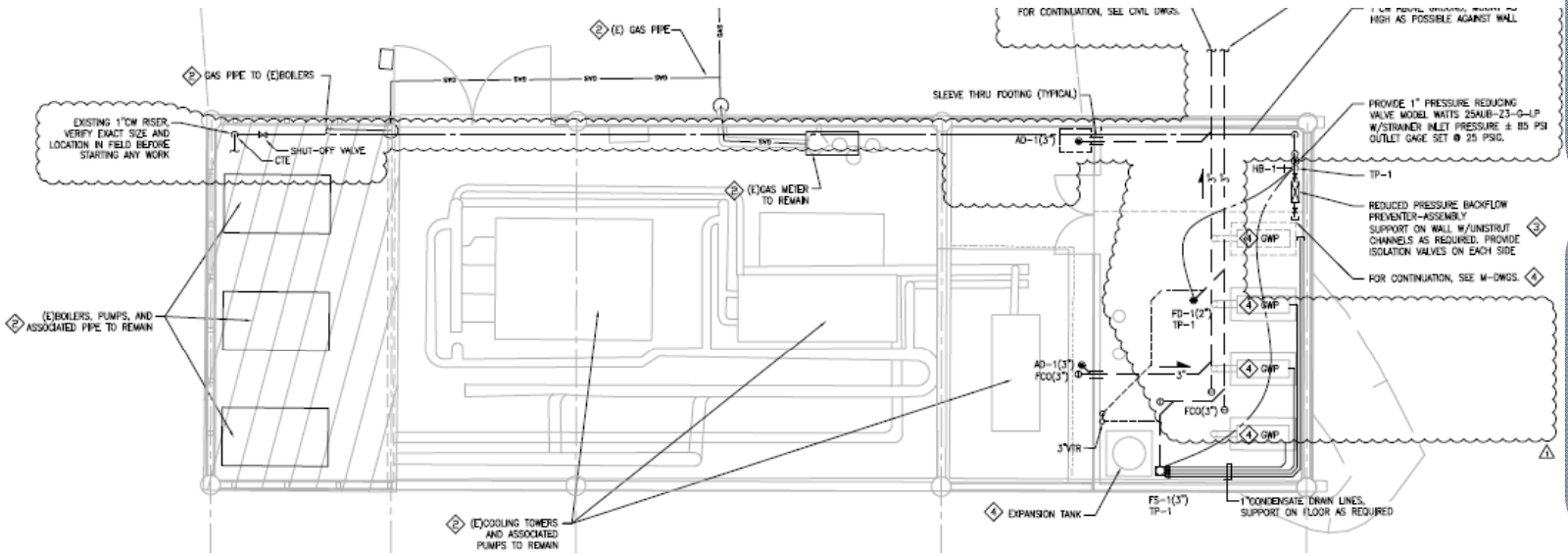
Vertical Closed Loop Expansion

- 195 Bores
- 250’ Deep
- 3 Valve Vaults
- 300 Ton Capacity
- Eliminated Boilers
- Eliminated Cooling Towers





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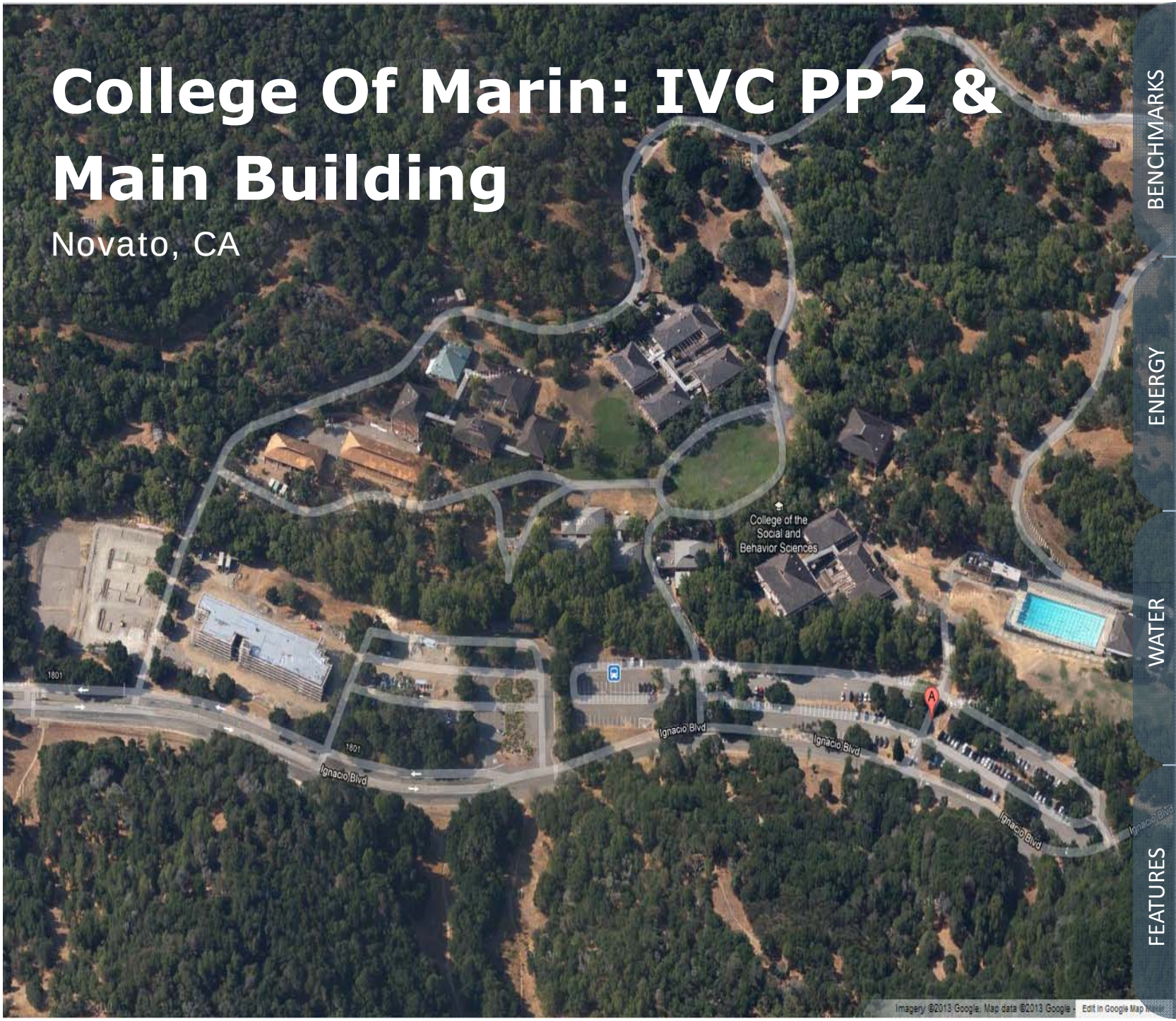

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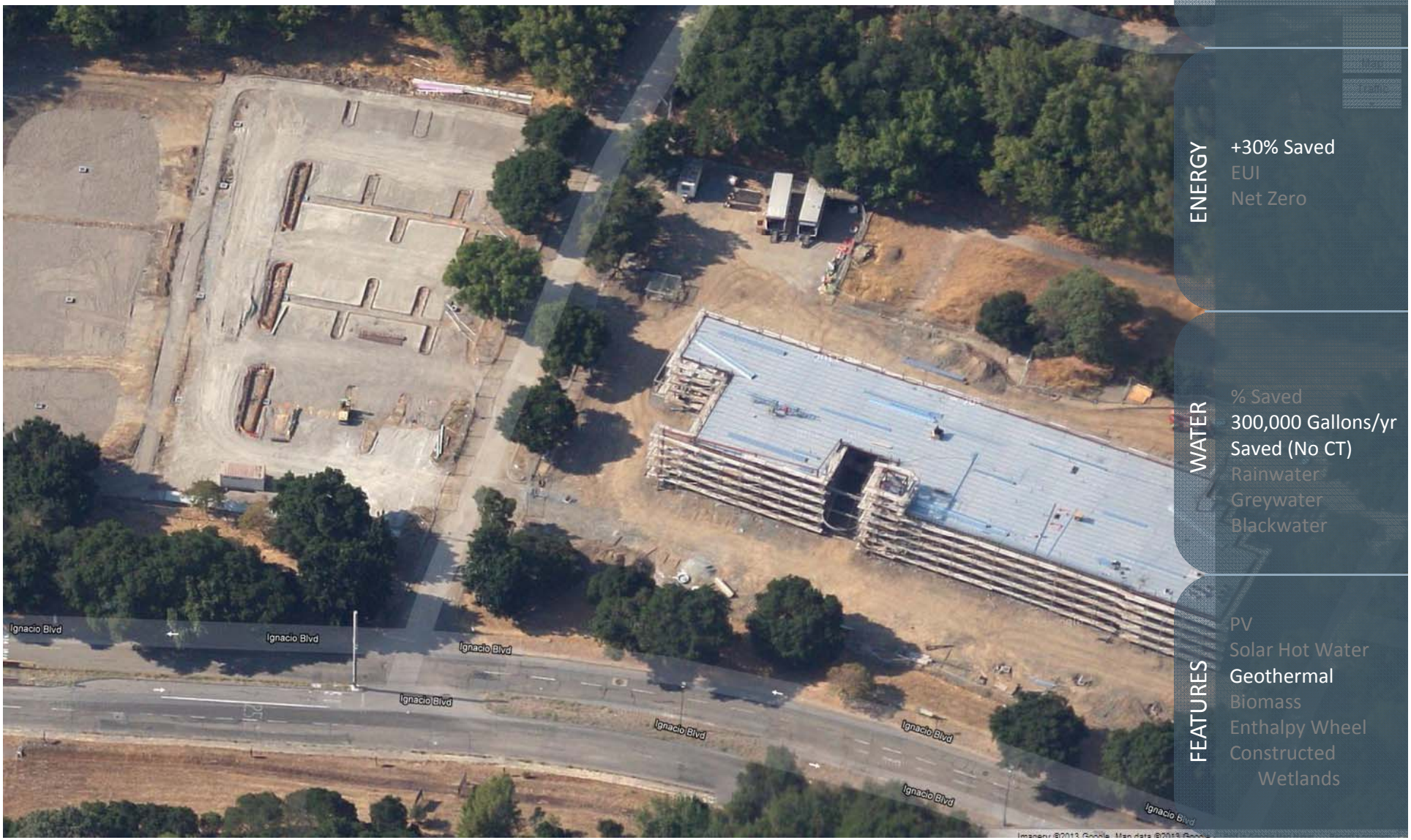
College Of Marin: IVC Main Bldg

Student Services and Dental Labs



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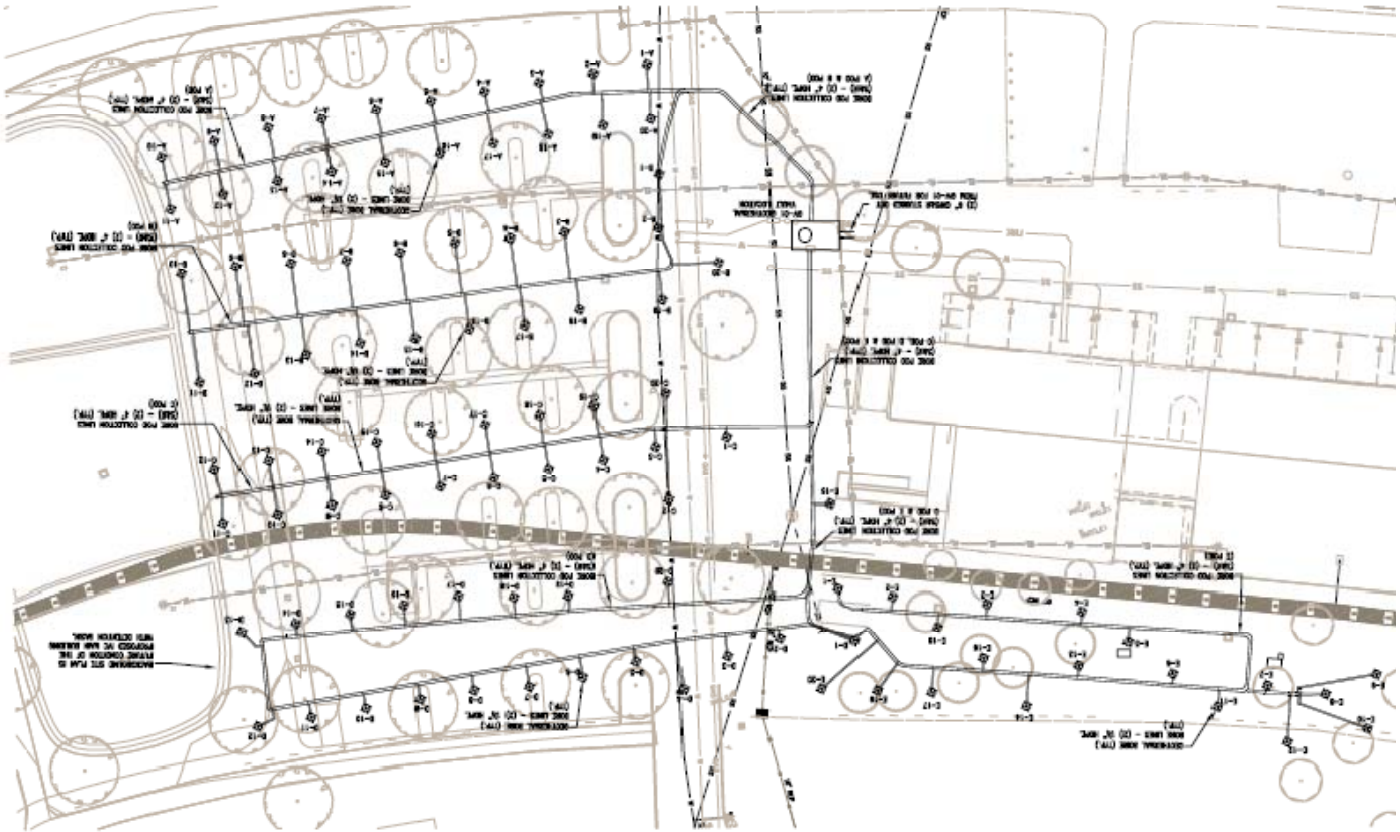
College Of Marin: IVC Main Bldg

Vertical Closed Loop

- 100 Bores
- 250’ Deep
- 1 Valve Vaults
- 150 Ton Capacity



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SRJC: Student Services

Santa Rosa, CA

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SRJC: Student Services

Student Services Building (Bertolini Student Center)

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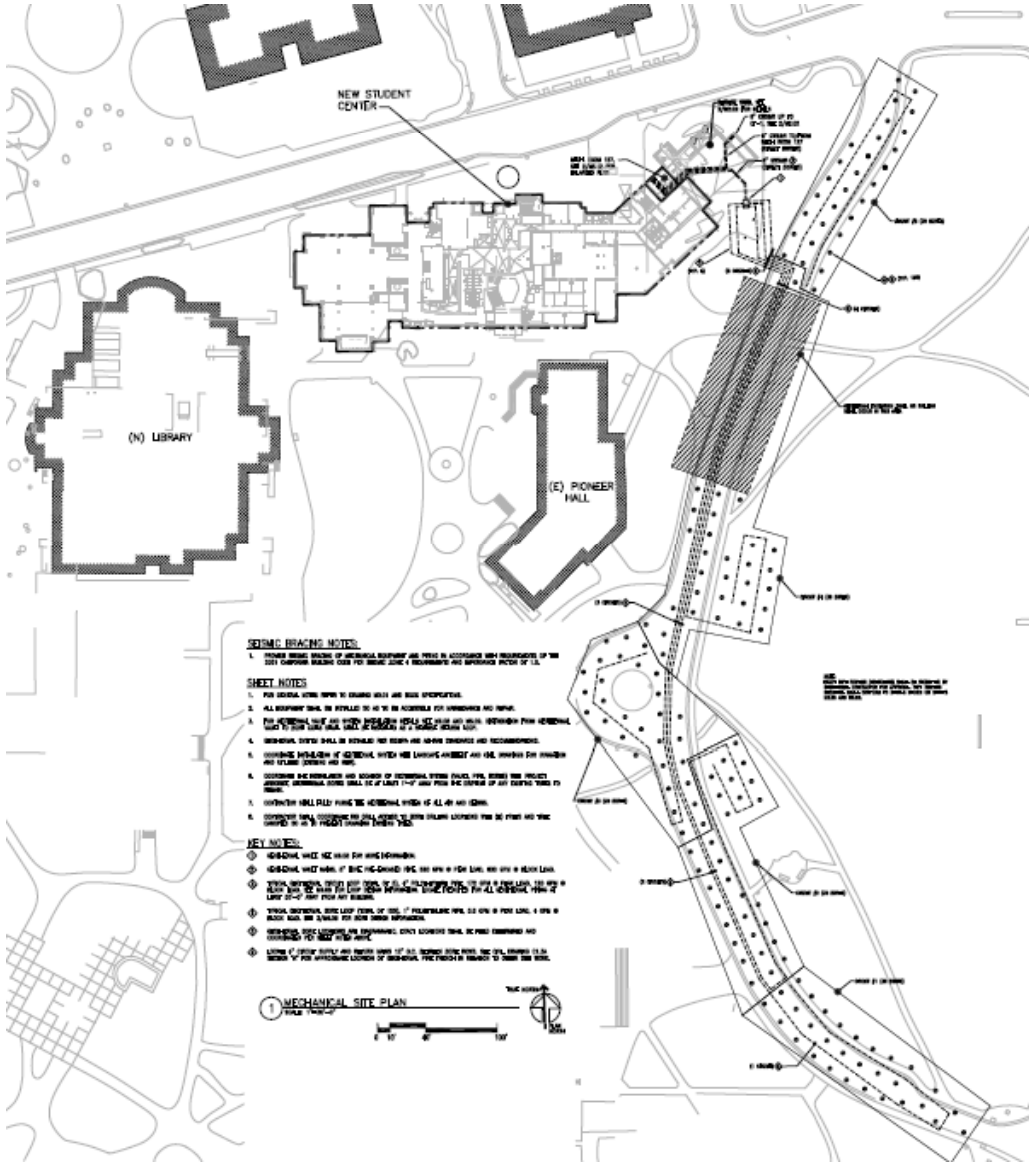

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Corporate HQ

The Bullitt Center

Seattle, WA

Architect: Miller|Hull

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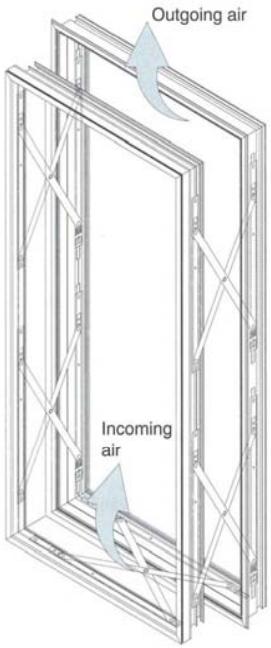

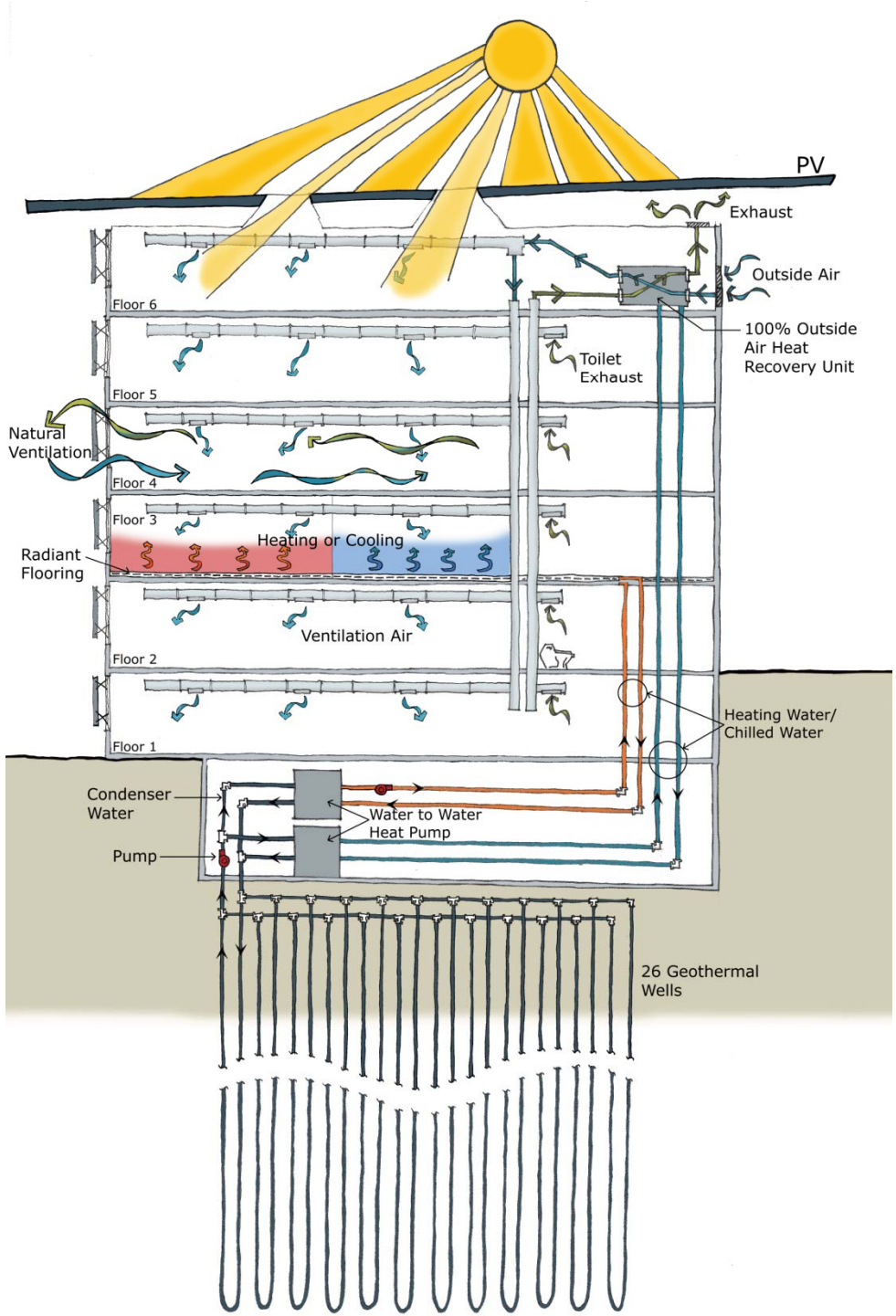

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$6.2 Million

A typical building of this size has an **Energy Use Intensity of 72** kBtu/ft²/year. A PV array with an area of **64,348 ft²** is required to meet its energy needs.

$4.4 Million

A building of this size meeting Seattle Energy Code has an **EUI of 51** kBtu/ft²/year, requiring a PV array with an area of **44,752 ft²** to meet its energy needs.

$2.5 Million

A LEED Platinum certified building of this size has an **EUI of 32** kBtu/ft²/year, requiring a PV array with an area of **28,599 ft²** to meet its energy needs.

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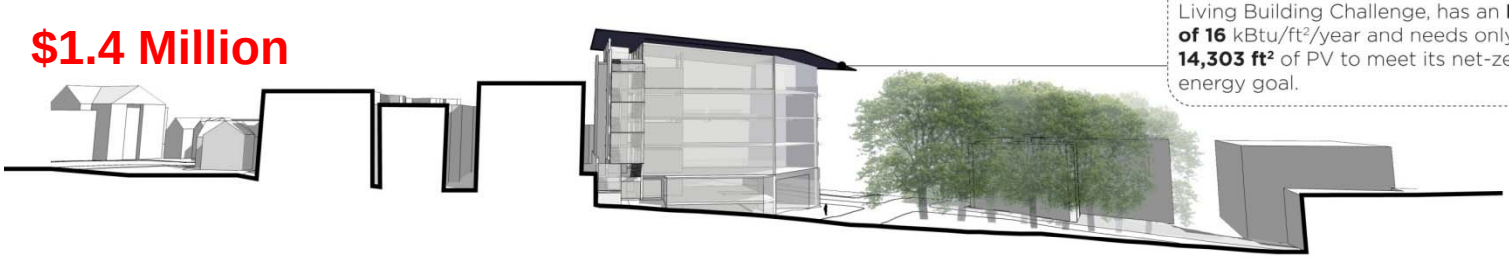

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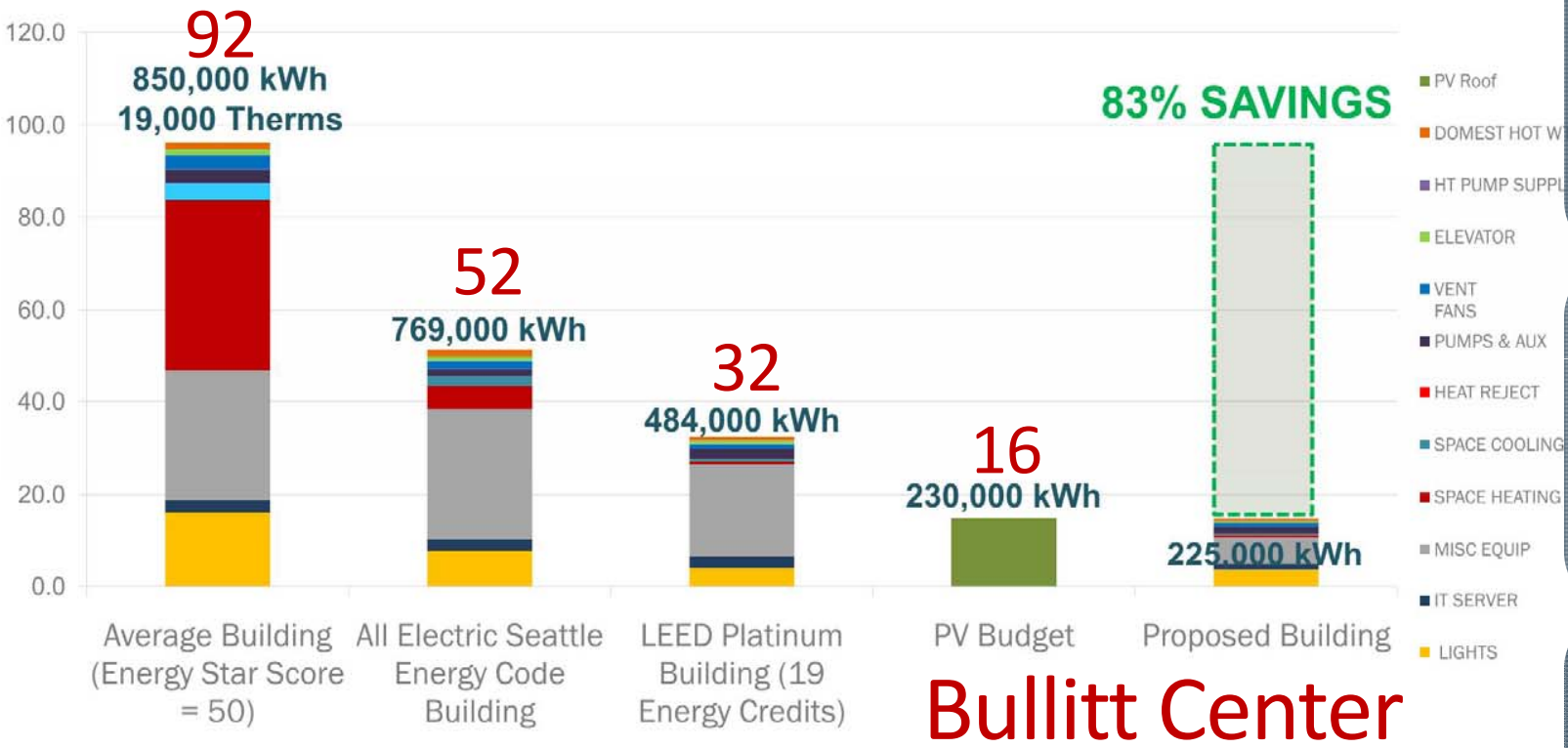

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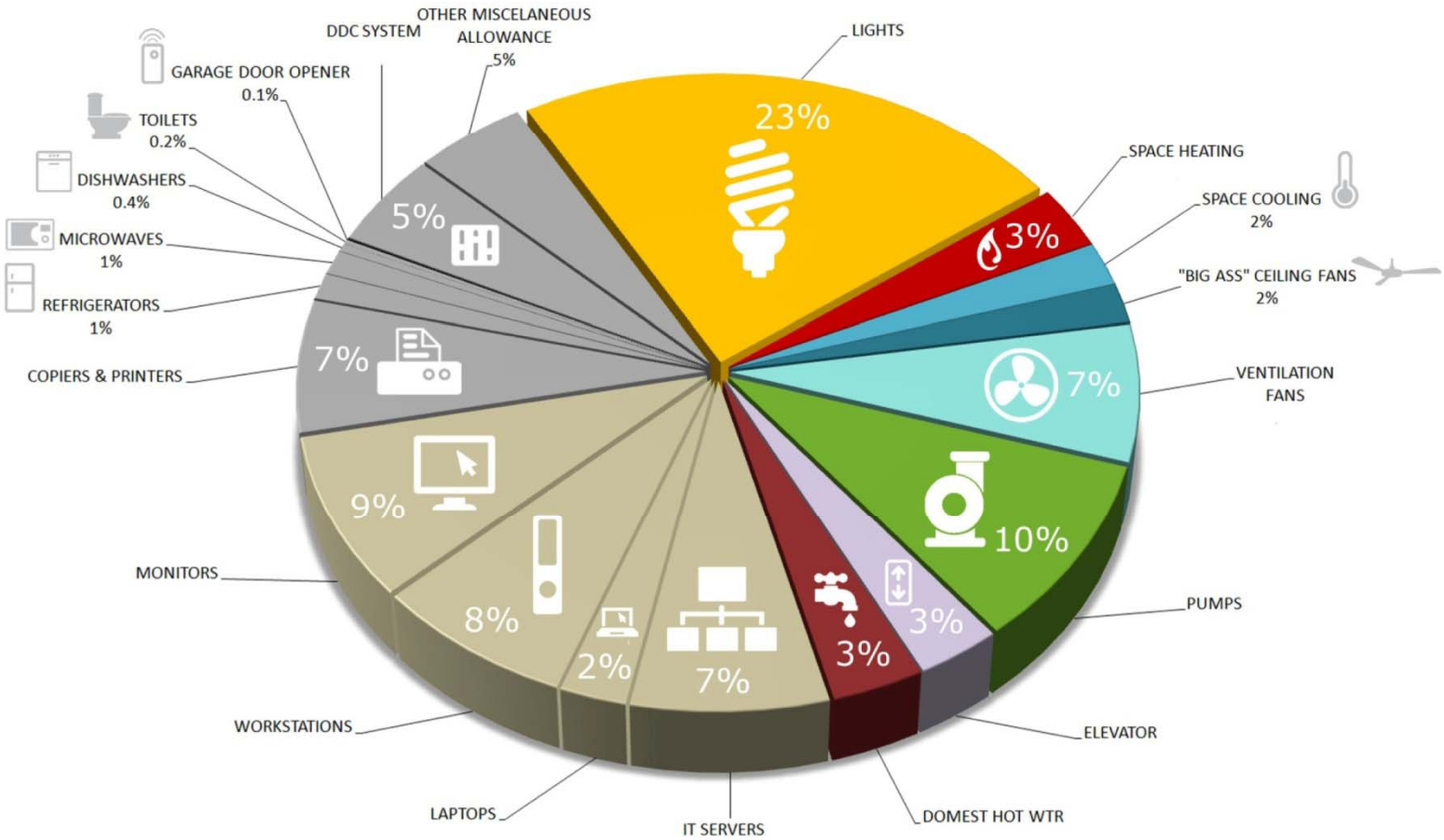

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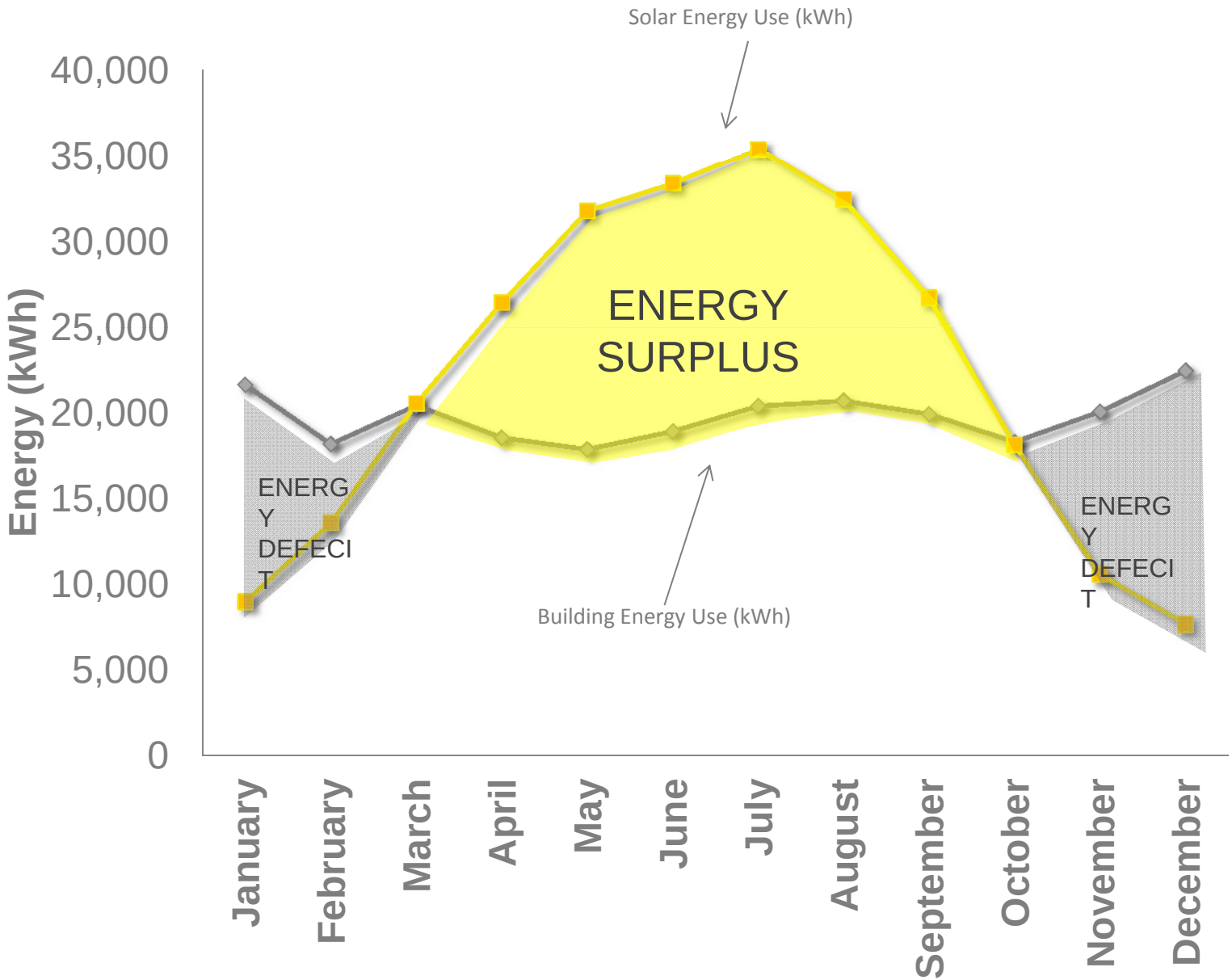

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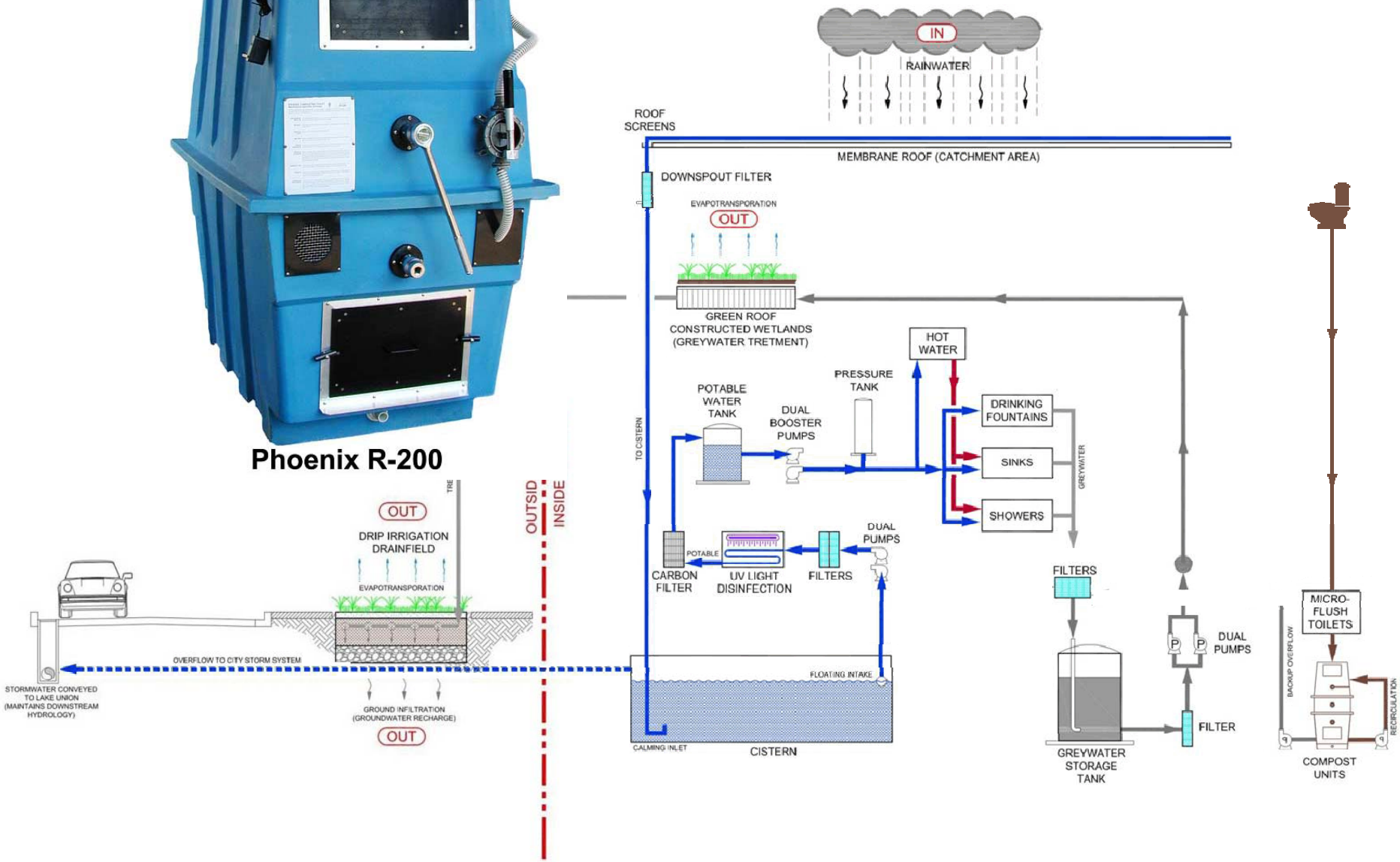

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Port of Portland HQP2

Portland, OR

Architect: ZGF

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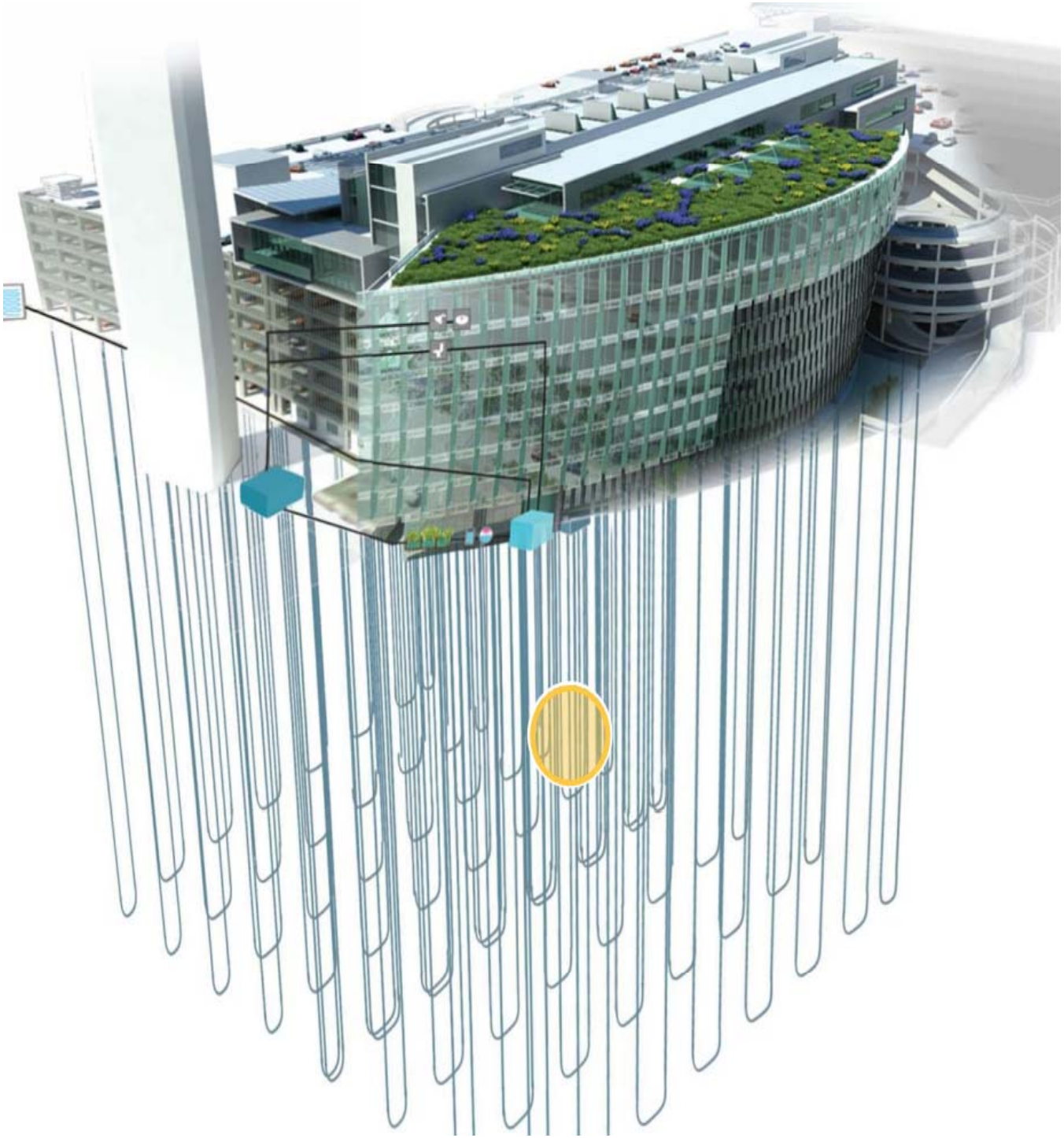

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The Columbian Headquarters

Vancouver, WA

Architect: GBD

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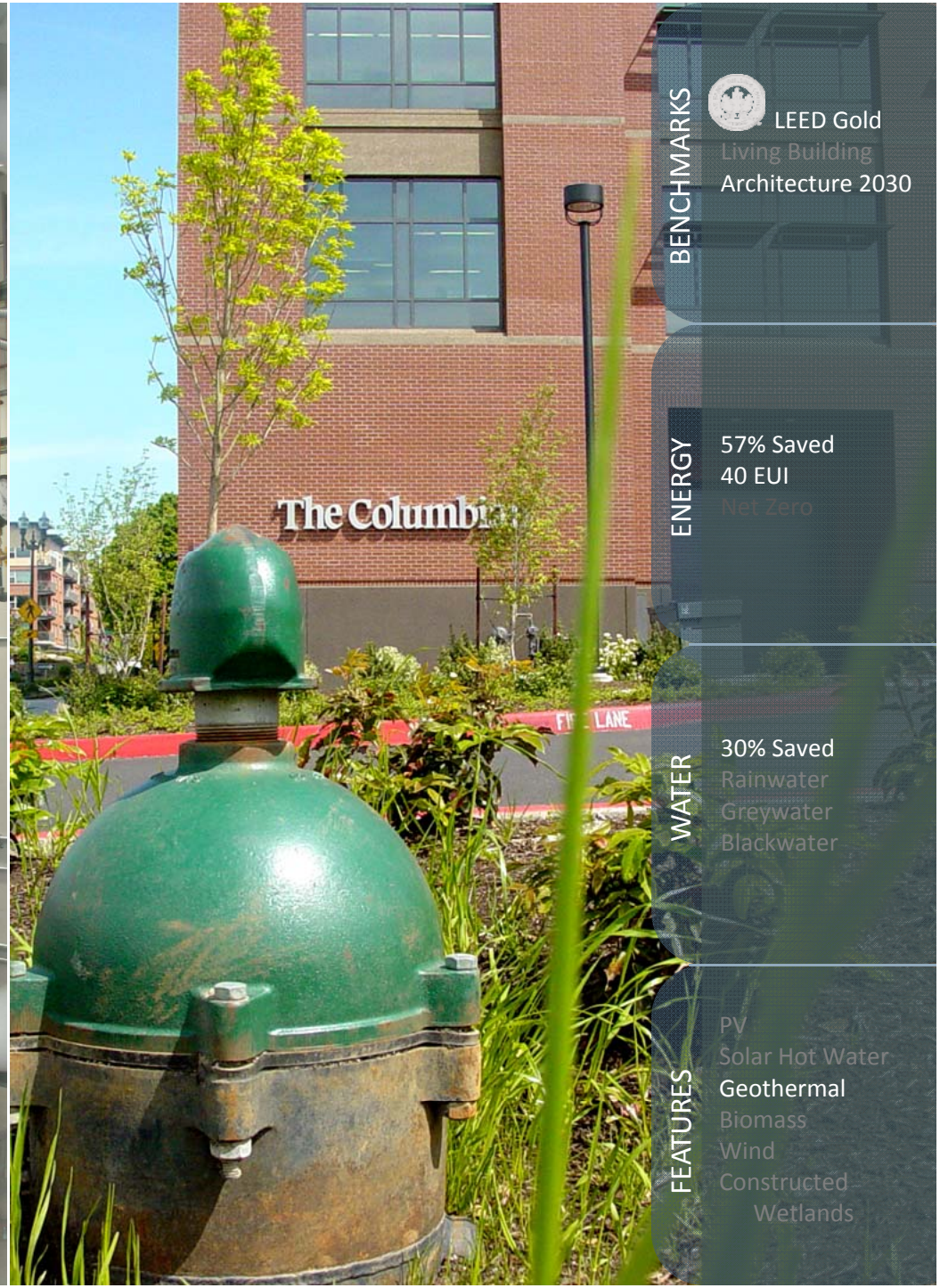

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Laboratories

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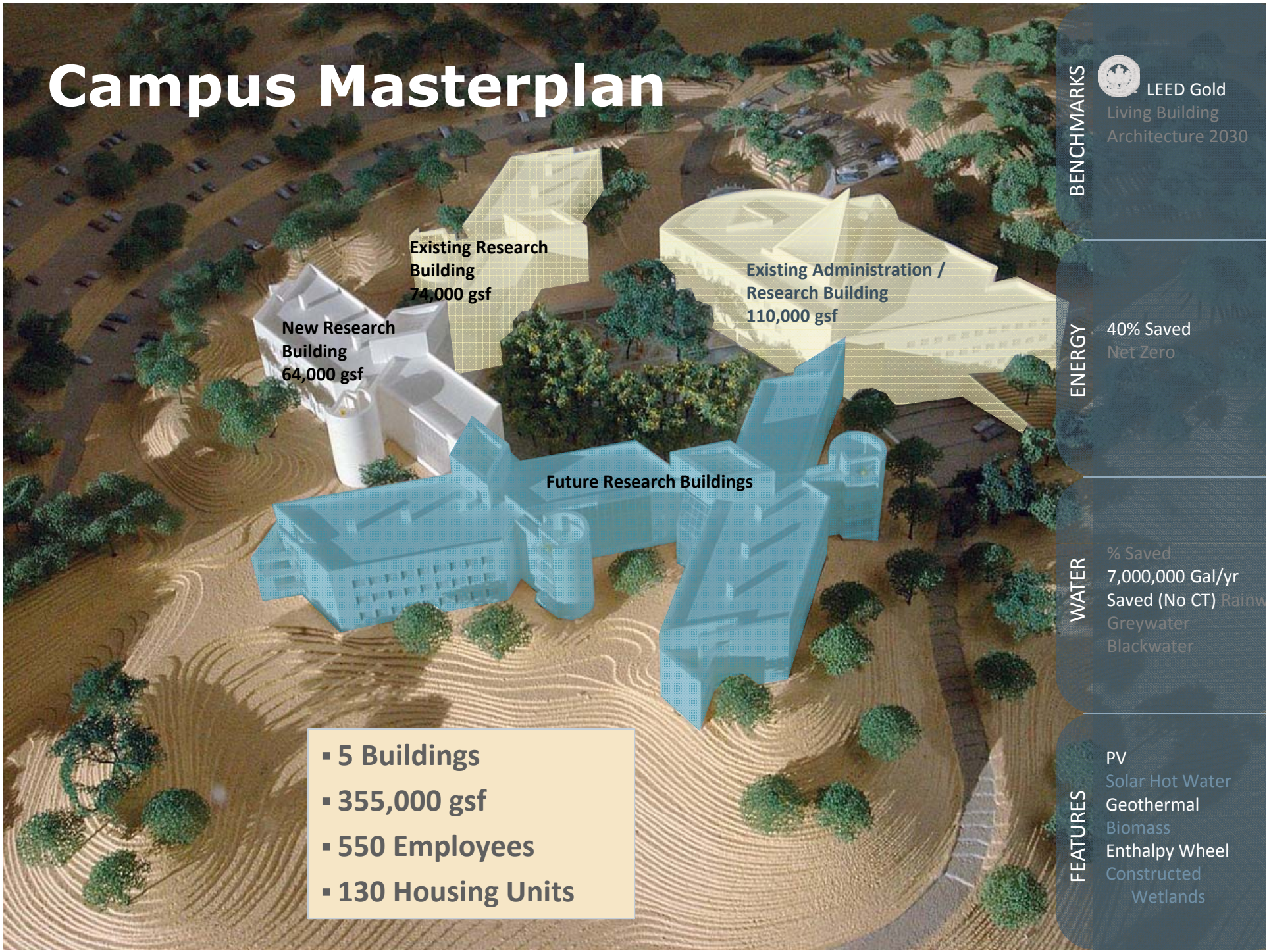

- 5 Buildings
- 355,000 gsf
- 550 Employees
- 130 Housing Units

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Zoos & Visitor Centers

Oregon Zoo – Elephant Habitat

Oregon, CA

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USFWS Corn Creek Visitor Center

Mojave Desert, NV

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Art Museums

Bainbridge Art Museum

Bainbridge Island, WA

Architect: Asani LLC

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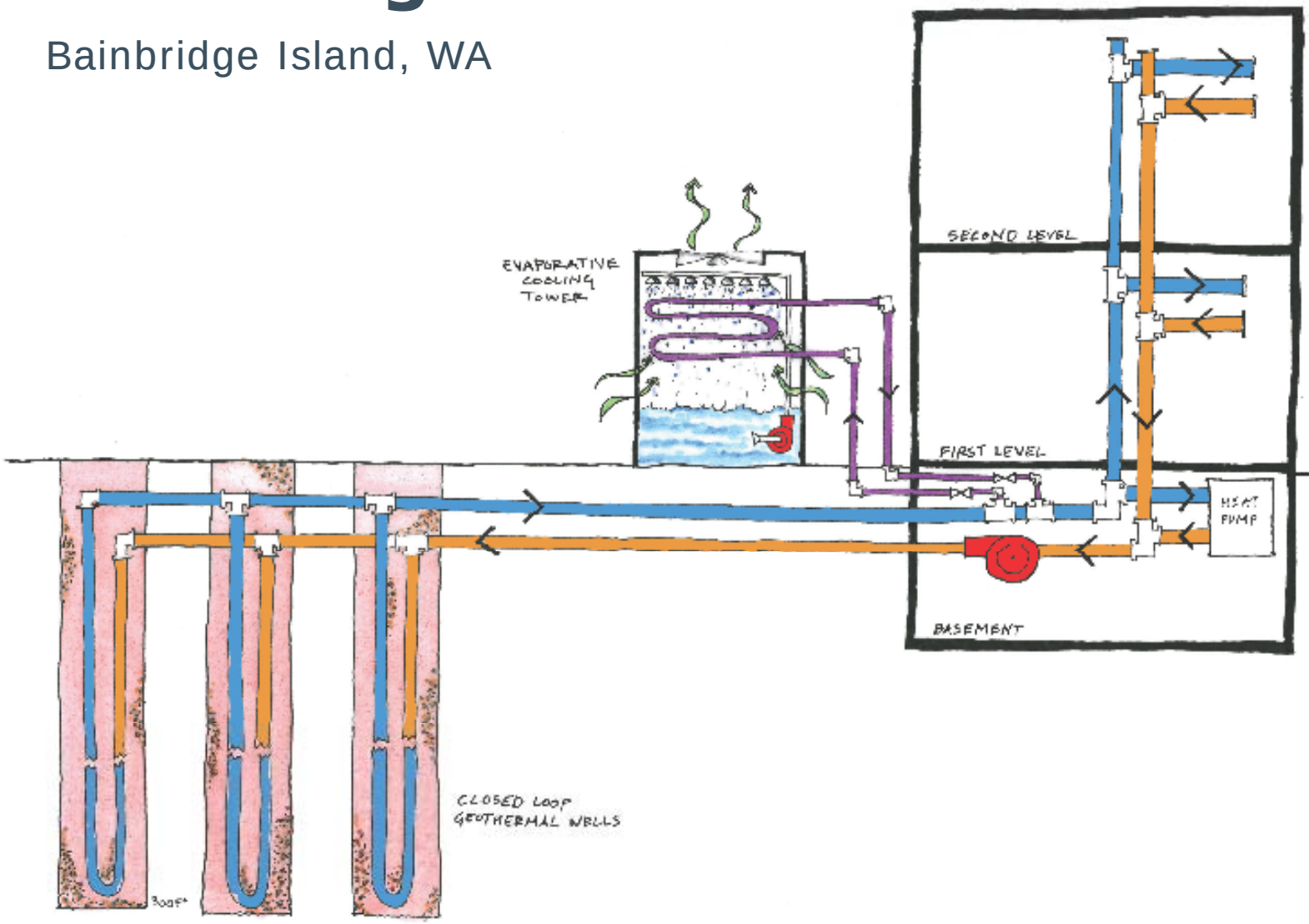

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Nordic Heritage Museum

Seattle, WA

Architect: Mithun

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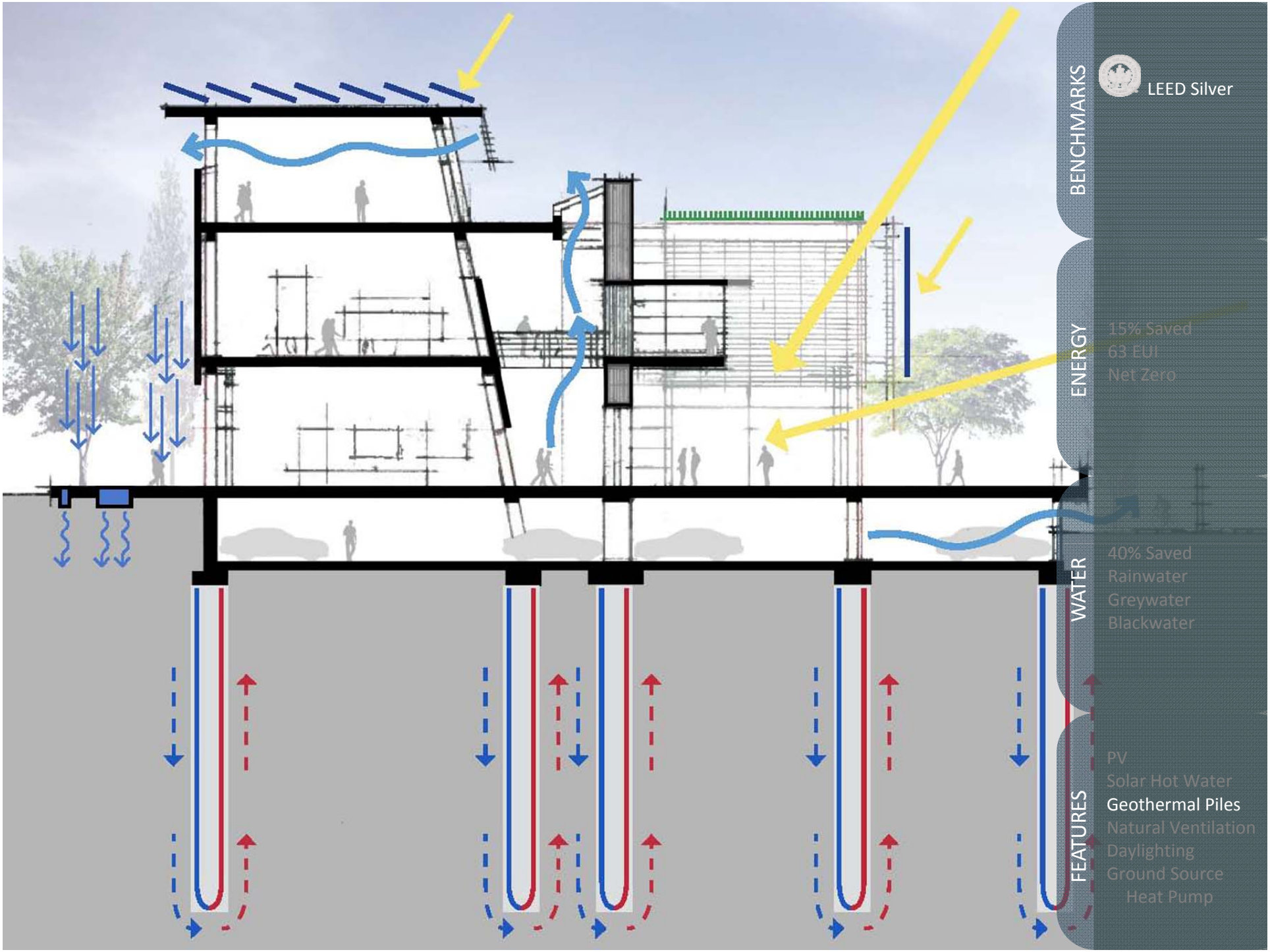
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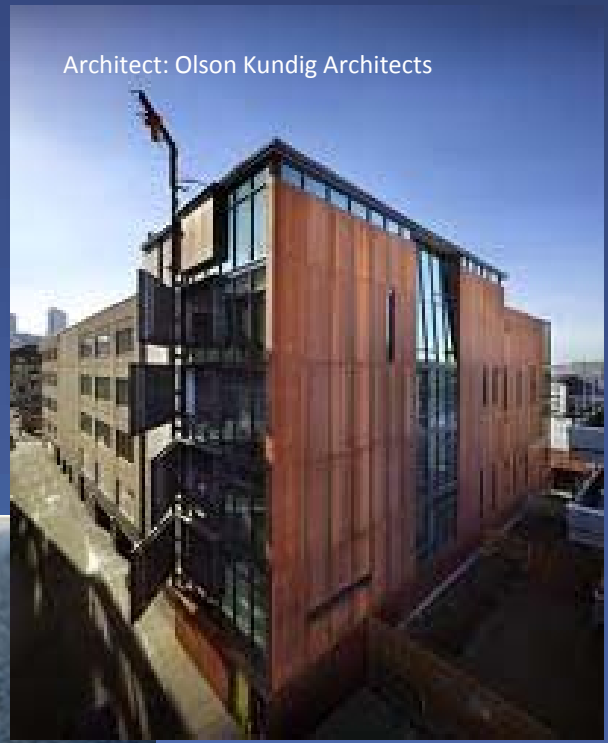
Housing

Art Stable

Seattle, WA



BENCHMARKS

LEED Silver

ENERGY

15% Saved
63 EUI
Net Zero

WATER

40% Saved
Rainwater
Greywater
Blackwater

FEATURES

PV
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Heat Pump

"Geothermal Heat Pumps

Geothermal heat pumps are one of the **most efficient** ways to heat and cool your home. They can achieve **efficiencies two to three times greater** than commonly used air source heat pumps because they rely on **the relatively consistent ground temperatures** to transfer heat to or from a home. Across much of the United States, the temperature of the upper 10 feet of the ground remains **between 45°F and 75°F, and often between just 50°F and 60°F**. By contrast, air temperatures can range over the course of a year from below 0°F to over 100°F."

Source: EPA Website

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Questions ➲ Answers

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