

Introducing **THE SUSTAINABLE SITES INITIATIVE**™



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Agenda

1. Introduction to Sustainability and Stone Brewing Co.
2. Overview of the Sustainable SITES Initiative and credits achieved at Stone Brewing World Bistro & Gardens
3. Hunter Industries Zero Waste Manufacturing and Sustainability in the Community
4. Session Follow-up / Q&A



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Stone Brewing World Bistro & Gardens
Escondido, CA



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An overview of SITES

THE SUSTAINABLE SITES INITIATIVE™



An interdisciplinary effort to create voluntary
national guidelines and a rating system for
sustainable land design, construction and
maintenance practices for landscapes of all types,
with or without buildings



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UNITED STATES
BOTANIC GARDEN

Success of Green Buildings

LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design)

- As of 2010, green building accounted for **25%** of all new construction activity
- The green building market size is expected to reach **\$135 billion by 2015**
- Over **160,000** professionals hold LEED credentials

Source: McGraw-Hill Construction (2010). Green Outlook 2011: Green Trends Driving Growth



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Certified LEED Platinum



Building B Biodesign Institute at Arizona State University, Tempe

ArchitectureWeek.com

Other Sustainable Metric Programs



40-49

50-59

60-79

80+



INVEST

ECONOMIC • SOCIAL • ENVIRONMENTAL



THE ENVISION™ RATING SYSTEM



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Envision was developed in joint collaboration between the Zofnass Program for Sustainable Infrastructure at the Harvard University Graduate School of Design and the Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure.



15,700

**28,500 141,200 300,000 Total
469,700**



The Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure is a not-for-profit education and research organization founded by the American Public Works Association, the American Council of Engineering Companies and the American Society of Civil Engineers.

SITES Framework: *Ecosystem Services*

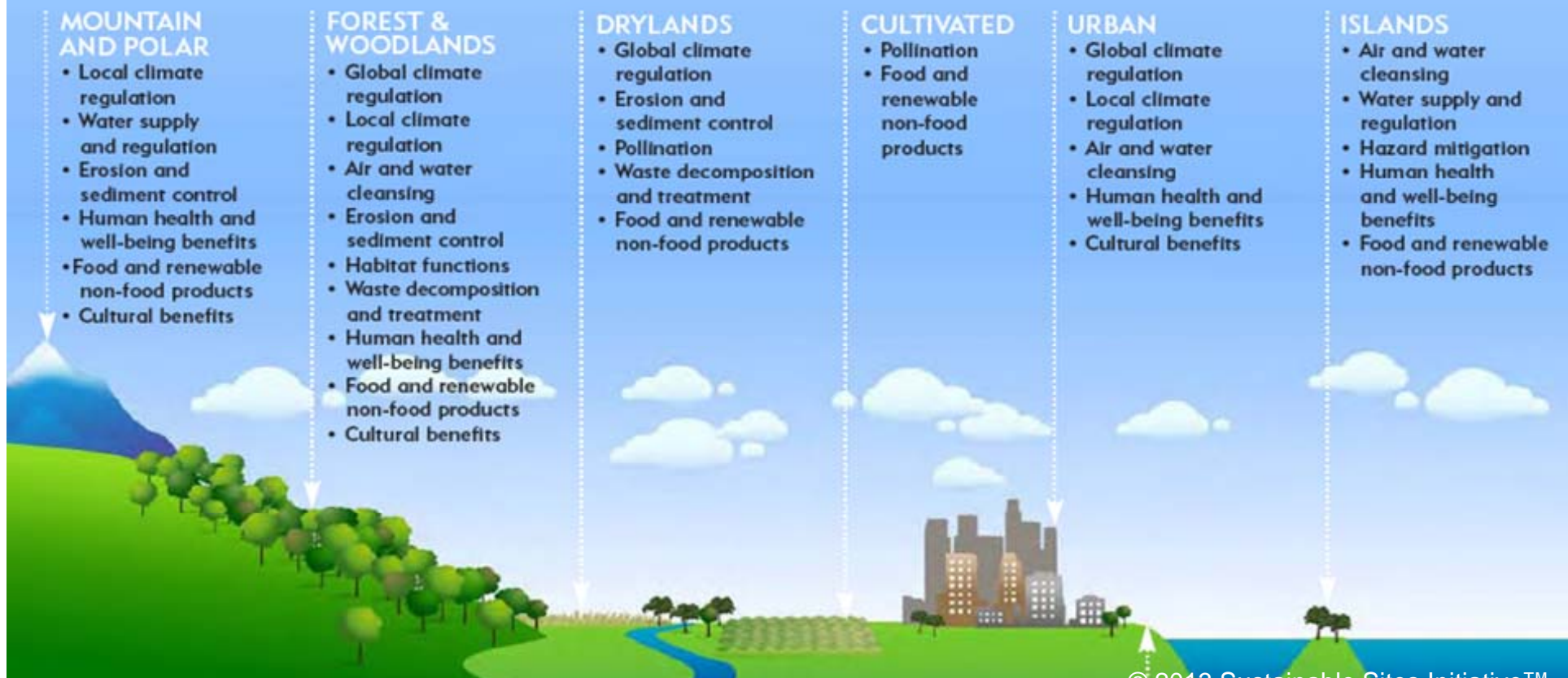
Benefits provided by natural systems that support our lives and are often considered “free” and not a part of conventional accounting methods

In 1997, the economic value these were estimated to be worth **\$33 trillion per year** (twice the global GNP)



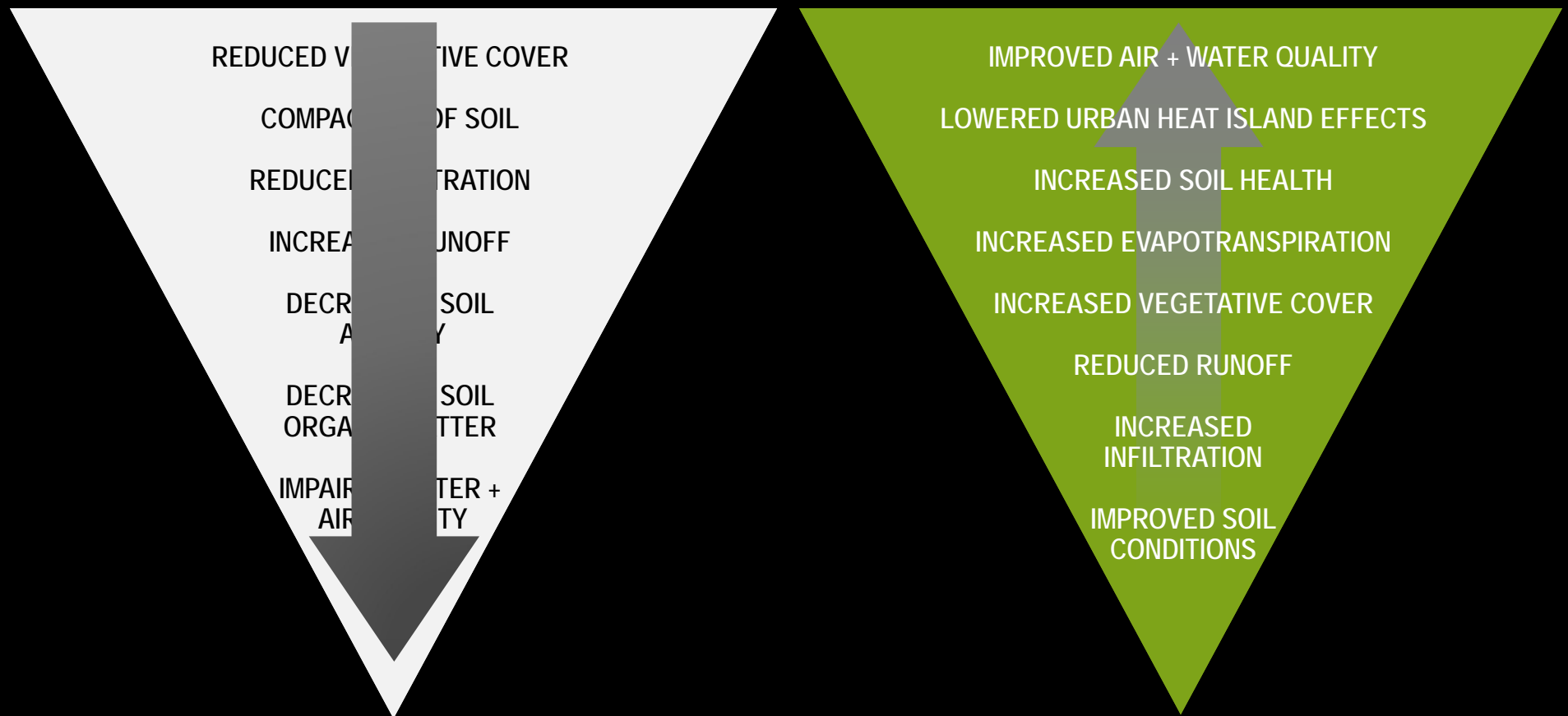
Framework: *Ecosystem Services*

- Regulate global and local climate
- Detoxify and cleanse air, soil and water
- Regulate water supply
- Control erosion and retain sediment
- Provide refuge and nursery habitat / pollination services
- Decompose, treat, and re-use waste
- Provide human health and well-being benefits
- Provide food and non-food products
- Provide cultural, educational and aesthetic values
- Mitigate potential hazards



Shift of Values

SITES GOALS: Conservation to Regeneration through High Performance Landscapes

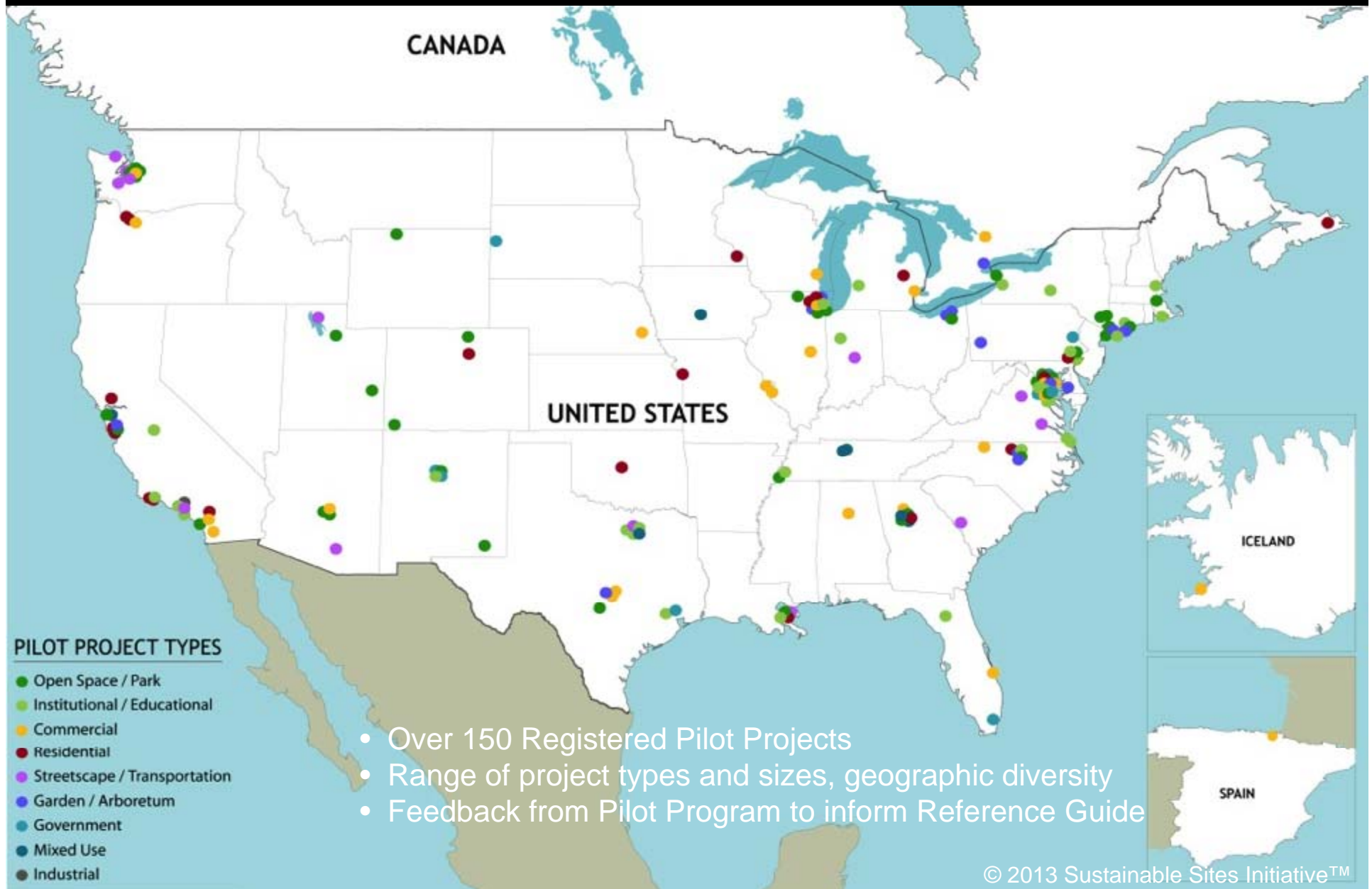


Project Applications

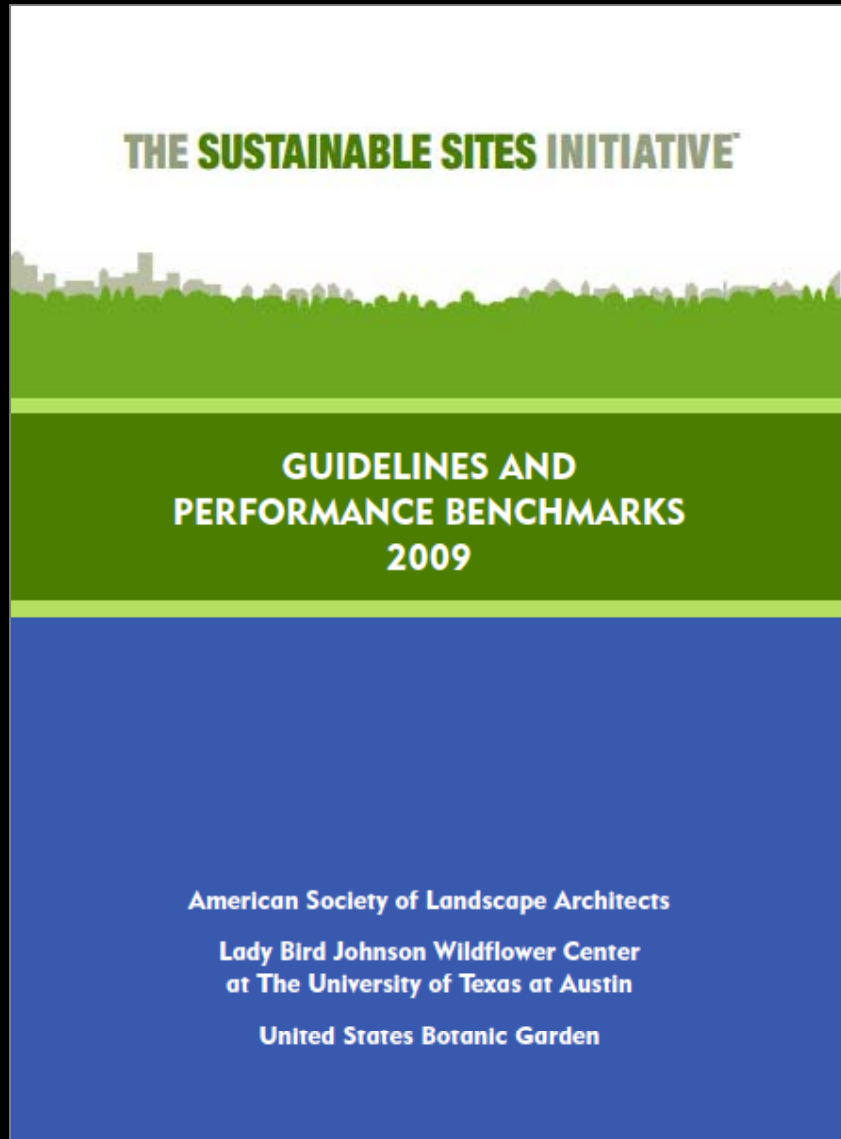


- parks, trails, campgrounds
- industrial & office parks
- government & medical complexes
- botanical gardens
- university campuses
- residential sites
- streetscapes & plazas

SITES Pilot Program

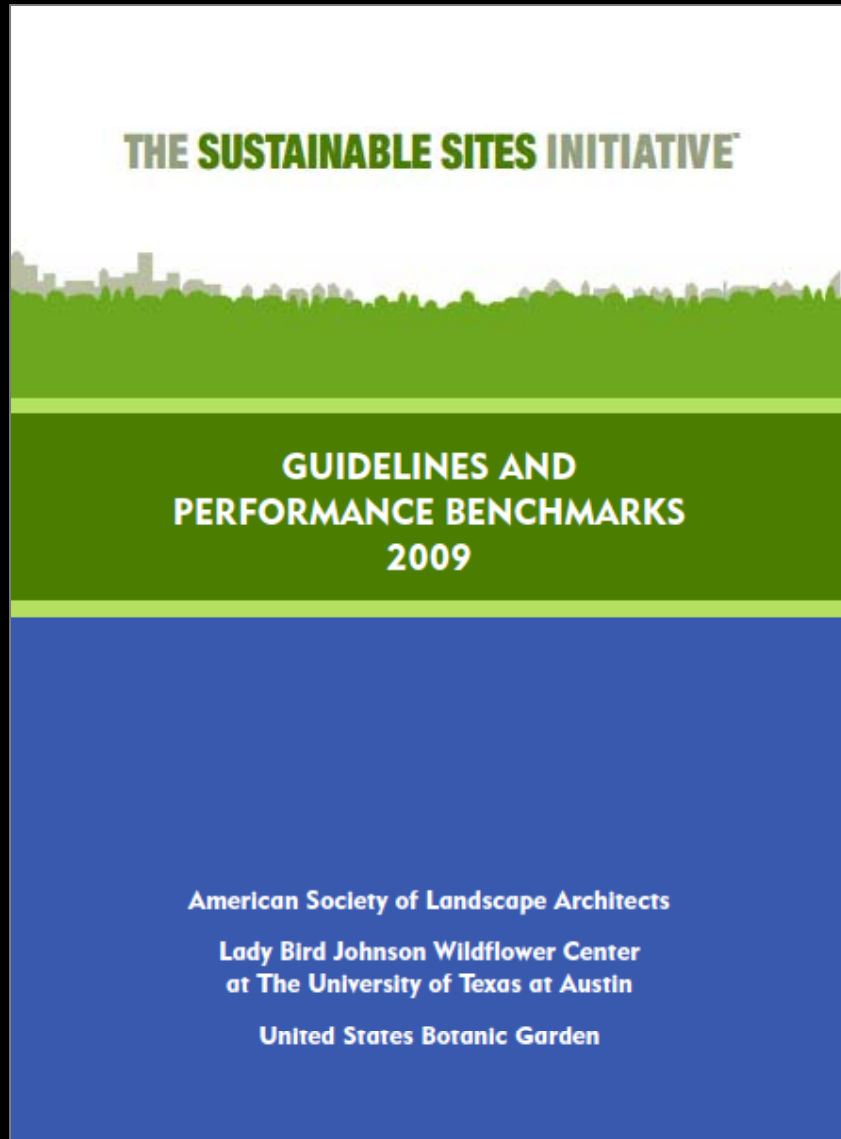


SITES – 2009 Rating System: Guidelines



- Measure a site's sustainability within the context of ecosystem services
- 250 point scale
- Performance based benchmarks
- Multiple point levels for many credits
- 4 levels of Pilot certification
 - Prerequisites plus:
 - ★ = 100 points (40%)
 - ★★ = 125 points (50%)
 - ★★★ = 150 points (60%)
 - ★★★★ = 200 points (80%)
- Note, this will be updated and replaced by the forthcoming **2013 Rating System**

SITES – 2009 Rating System: Categories



Site Selection

Preserve existing resources & repair damaged systems

Pre-Design Assessment and Planning

Plan for sustainability from the onset of the project

Site Design – Water

Protect and restore site's processes and systems

Site Design – Soil and Vegetation

Protect and restore site's processes and systems

Site Design – Materials Selection

Reuse/recycle & support sustainable production practices

Site Design – Human Health and Well-Being

Build communities and a sense of stewardship

Construction

Minimize effects of construction-related activities

Operations and Maintenance

Maintain the site for long-term sustainability

Monitoring and Innovation

Reward exceptional performance

SITES – 2009 Rating System: Credit Structure



Each Prerequisite and Credit includes:

- Credit Intent
- Requirements
- Submittal Documentation
- Potential Technologies and Strategies
- Links to Other Credits
- Resources

SITES



PROJECT TIMELINE:

Guidelines & Performance Benchmarks 2009

Released November 2009

Pilot Program

June 2010 – June 2012

Public Comment Period on Proposed 2013 Credits

Sept. 26 – Nov. 26, 2012

Release of 2013 Rating System/Reference Guide

Summer 2013

Open Enrollment / Education + Training

Fall 2013

Professional Credentialing Program

Anticipated in 2014

September 2012

SUSTAINABLE **SITES** INITIATIVE™

HEREBY CERTIFIES

STONE BREWING WORLD BISTRO & GARDENS ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA

HAS SUCCESSFULLY MET THE SUSTAINABLE SITES INITIATIVE CRITERIA REQUIRED UNDER
THE SUSTAINABLE SITES INITIATIVE: GUIDELINES AND PERFORMANCE BENCHMARKS 2009
TO EARN A **ONE STAR** CERTIFICATION RATING.

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Nancy C. Somerville, Executive Director, American Society of
Landscape Architects



Susan Rieff, Executive Director, Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower
Center at The University of Texas at Austin



Holly Shimizu, Executive Director, United States Botanic Garden



“Stone Brewing World Bistro & Gardens is a fantastic test case for the Pilot Program and a great example of SITES implementation for a commercial project that gives back to the community.”

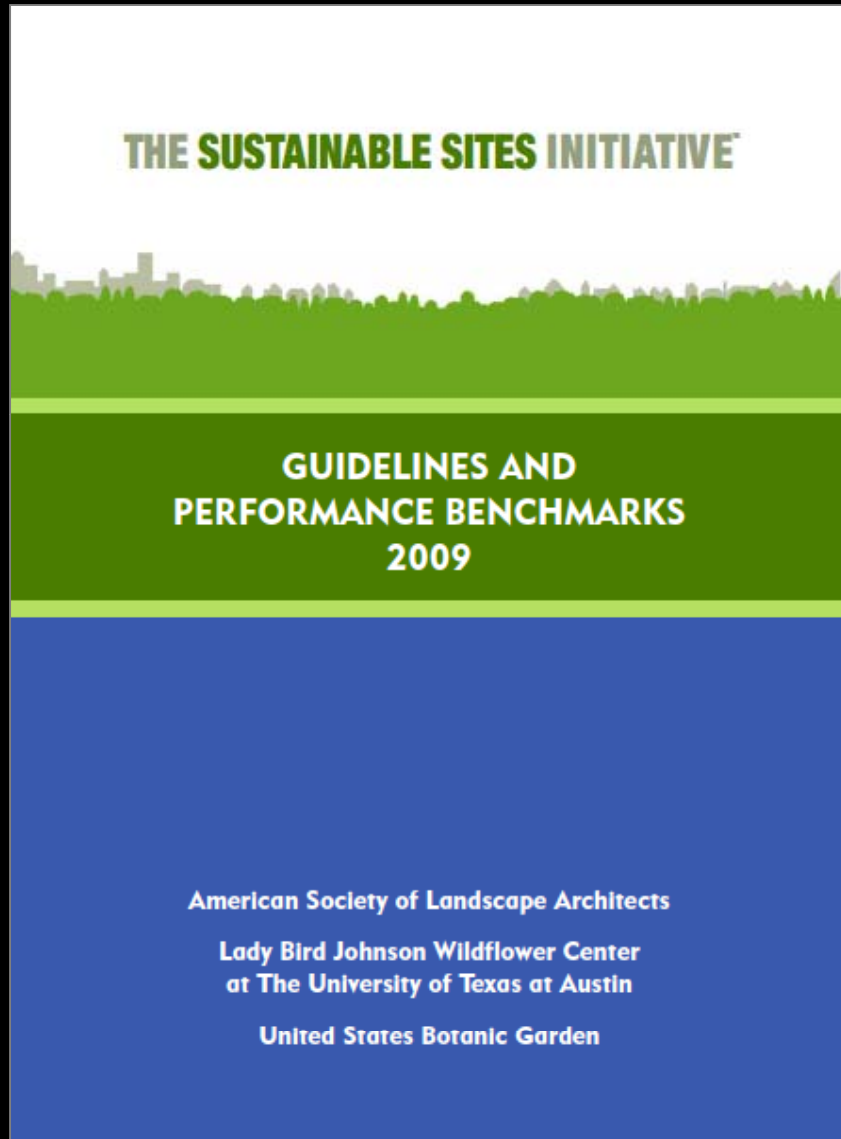
-SITES Pilot Project Final Review, August 2012

SITES – Areas of Focus



- Water
- Soils
- Vegetation
- Materials
- Human Health + Well- being

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Site Selection

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21 possible points

Select locations to preserve existing resources and repair damaged systems

Prerequisite 1.1: Limit development of soils designated as prime farmland, unique farmland, and farmland of statewide importance

Prerequisite 1.2: Protect floodplain functions

Prerequisite 1.3: Preserve wetlands

Prerequisite 1.4: Preserve threatened or endangered species and their habitats

Credit 1.5: Select brownfields or greyfields for redevelopment (5-10 points)

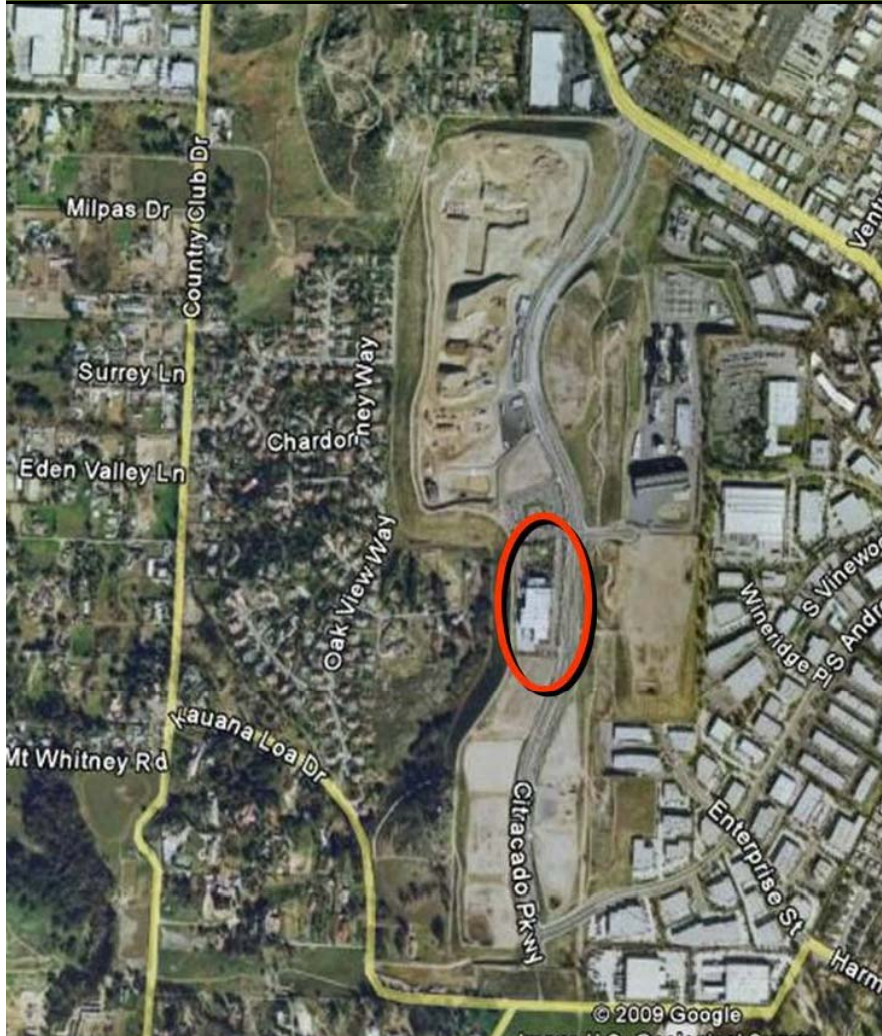
Credit 1.6: Select sites within existing communities (6 points)

Credit 1.7: Select sites that encourage non-motorized transportation and use of public transit (5 points)

Site Selection

Credit 1.5 & 1.7

Select brownfields or greyfields for redevelopment



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- During the site selection process, give preference to previously developed or brownfield sites
- Coordinate site development plans with remediation activity and use of existing infrastructure and materials, as appropriate
- **5 points** for selecting greyfield
- **5 points** for selecting sites that encourage non-motorized transportation and use of public transit.

Pre-Design Assessment

Guidelines & Performance Benchmarks 2009



4 possible points

Plan for sustainability from the onset of the project

Prerequisite 2.1: Conduct a pre-design site assessment and explore opportunities for site sustainability

Prerequisite 2.2: Use an integrated site development process

Credit 2.3: Engage users and other stakeholders in site design (4 points)

Site Design – Water

Guidelines & Performance Benchmarks 2009



44 possible points

Protect and restore processes and systems associated with a site's hydrology

Prerequisite 3.1: Reduce potable water use for landscape irrigation by 50 percent from established baseline

Credit 3.2: Reduce potable water use for landscape irrigation by 75 percent or more from established baseline
(2-5 points)

Credit 3.3: Protect and restore riparian, wetland, and shoreline buffers (3-8 points)

Credit 3.4: Rehabilitate lost streams, wetlands, and shorelines (2-5 points)

Credit 3.5: Manage stormwater on site (5-10 points)

Credit 3.6: Protect and enhance on-site water resources and receiving water quality (3-9 points)

Credit 3.7: Design rainwater/stormwater features to provide a landscape amenity (1-3 points)

Credit 3.8: Maintain water features to conserve water and other resources (1-4 points)

Site Design – Water

Credit 3.2



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Reduce potable water use

- **2 Points** - Reduce potable water use for landscape irrigation by 75 percent or more from established baseline
- **3 Points** – Use no potable water, or other natural surface or subsurface water resources, for landscape irrigation beyond the establishment period. Coordinate site development plans with remediation activity and use of existing infrastructure and materials, as appropriate
- **5 Points** - Use no potable water for landscape irrigation after the establishment period.

Site Design – Water

Credit 3.5



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Manage Stormwater on Site

- 5 Points – Achieve 30 percent improvement in water storage capacity .
- 7 Points – Achieve 60 percent improvement in water storage capacity.
- 10 Points - Achieve 90 percent improvement in water storage capacity.

Site Design – Water

Credit 3.7

Design rainwater / stormwater features to provide a landscape amenity



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- Make rainwater / stormwater management features visible, usable, and beautiful
- Document that rainwater falling on site is treated as an amenity through the way it is received, conveyed, and managed on site, and made accessible to site users
- Keep water healthy and clean with natural, chemical-free techniques

2 points

Site Design – Soil and Vegetation

Guidelines & Performance Benchmarks 2009



51 possible points

Protect and restore processes and systems associated with a site's soil and vegetation

Prerequisite 4.1: Control and manage known invasive plants found on site

Prerequisite 4.2: Use appropriate, non-invasive plants

Prerequisite 4.3: Create a soil management plan

Credit 4.4: Minimize soil disturbance in design and construction (6 points)

Credit 4.5: Preserve all vegetation designated as special status (5 points)

Credit 4.6: Preserve or restore appropriate plant biomass on site (3-8 points)

Credit 4.7: Use native plants (1-4 points)

Credit 4.8: Preserve plant communities native to the ecoregion (2-6 points)

Credit 4.9: Restore plant communities native to the ecoregion (1-5 points)

Credit 4.10: Use vegetation to minimize building heating requirements (2-4 points)

Credit 4.11: Use vegetation to minimize building cooling requirements (2-5 points)

Credit 4.12: Reduce urban heat island effects (3-5 points)

Credit 4.13: Reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfire (3 points)

Site Design – Soil and Vegetation

Credit 4.6

Preserve or restore appropriate plant biomass on site



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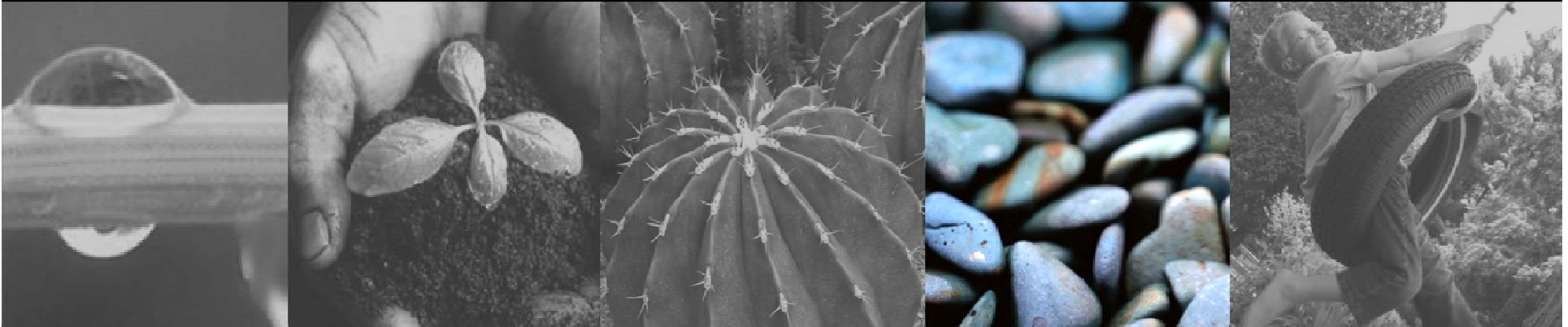
Biomass Density Index:

- Existing site biomass 0 – 0.5
- Planning Site BDI 1.5 – 2.0

8 points

Site Design – Materials Selection

Guidelines & Performance 2009 Benchmarks



36 possible points

Reuse/recycle existing materials and support sustainable production practices

Prerequisite 5.1: Eliminate the use of wood from threatened tree species

Credit 5.2: Maintain on-site structures, hardscape, and landscape amenities (1-4 points)

Credit 5.3: Design for deconstruction and disassembly (1-3 points)

Credit 5.4: Reuse salvaged materials and plants (2-4 points)

Credit 5.5: Use recycled content materials (2-4 points)

Credit 5.6: Use certified wood (1-4 points)

Credit 5.7: Use regional materials (2-6 points)

Credit 5.8: Use adhesives, sealants, paints, and coatings with reduced VOC emissions (2 points)

Credit 5.9: Support sustainable practices in plant production (3 points)

Credit 5.10: Support sustainable practices in materials manufacturing (3-6 points)

Site Design – Materials Selection

Credit 5.4

Reuse salvaged materials and plants



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Reuse salvaged materials and appropriate plants to conserve resources and avoid sending useful materials to the landfill

2 points: 10% of all materials (including plants) used on site are salvaged

4 points: 20% of all materials (including plants) used on site are salvaged

Additional **4 points** for innovation because 40% of all materials salvaged

Site Design – Materials Selection

Credit 5.7

Use regional materials



Use materials, plants, and soils that are sourced near the site

- soils and aggregates within 50 miles
- plants within 250 miles
- stone and brick within 50 miles

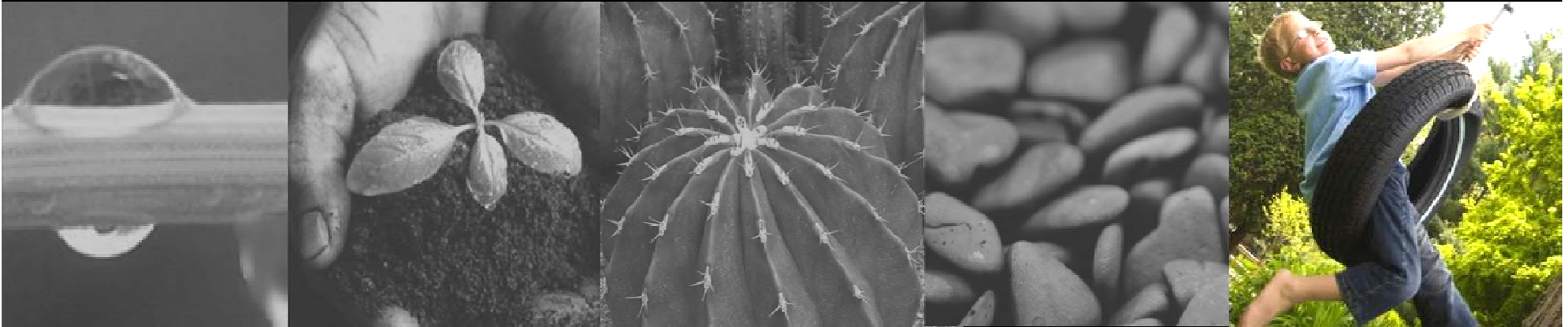
2 points: 30% sourced regionally

4 points: 60% sourced regionally

6 points: 90% sourced regionally

Site Design – Human Health + Well-Being

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32 possible points

Build strong communities and a sense of stewardship

Credit 6.1: Promote equitable site development (1-3 points)

Credit 6.2: Promote equitable site use (1-4 points)

Credit 6.3: Promote sustainability awareness and education (2-4 points)

Credit 6.4: Protect and maintain unique cultural and historical places (2-4 points)

Credit 6.5: Provide for optimum site accessibility, safety, and wayfinding (3 points)

Credit 6.6: Provide opportunities for outdoor physical activity (4-5 points)

Credit 6.7: Provide views of vegetation and quiet outdoor spaces for mental restoration (3-4 points)

Credit 6.8: Provide outdoor spaces for social interaction (3 points)

Credit 6.9: Reduce light pollution (2 points)

Site Design – Human Health + Well-Being

Credit 6.8

Provide outdoor spaces for social interaction



- Provide a variety of seating for moderate to large groups.
- Consider microclimate and other site-specific conditions.
- Provide visual and/or physical access to vegetation.
- Provide other amenities, services, or activity spaces.

3 Points

Construction

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21 possible points

Minimize effects of construction-related activities

Prerequisite 7.1: Control and retain construction pollutants

Prerequisite 7.2: Restore soils disturbed during construction

Credit 7.3: Restore soils disturbed by previous development (2-8 points)

Credit 7.4: Divert construction and demolition materials from disposal (3-5 points)

Credit 7.5: Reuse or recycle vegetation, rocks, and soil generated during construction (3-5 points)

Credit 7.6: Minimize generation of greenhouse gas emissions and exposure to localized air pollutants during construction (1-3 points)

Construction

Credit 7.5

Reuse or recycle vegetation, rocks, and soil generated during construction



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- Soils, mineral/rock waste, and plant material generated during land-clearing
- **3 points:** Reuse 100% within 50 miles
- **5 points:** Reuse 100% on site
- Soils must be reused for comparable to their original function: topsoil for topsoil, etc

Operations and Maintenance

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23 possible points

Maintain the site for long-term sustainability

Prerequisite 8.1: Plan for sustainable site maintenance

Prerequisite 8.2: Provide for storage and collection of recyclables

Credit 8.3: Recycle organic matter generated during site operations and maintenance (2-6 points)

Credit 8.4: Reduce outdoor energy consumption for all landscape and exterior operations (1-4 points)

Credit 8.5 Use renewable sources for landscape electricity needs (2-3 points)

Credit 8.6: Minimize exposure to environmental tobacco smoke (1-2 points)

Credit 8.7: Minimize generation of greenhouse gases and exposure to localized air pollutants during landscape maintenance activities (1-4 points)

Credit 8.8: Reduce emissions and promote the use of fuel-efficient vehicles (4 points)

Operations and Maintenance

Credit 8.3

Recycle organic matter generated during site operations and maintenance



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Design for recycling of vegetation trimmings, and where applicable, food waste to generate compost

- 2 points: Compost and/or recycle 100% of vegetation trimmings off site within 50 miles.
- 3 points: Compost and/or recycle at least 50% of vegetation trimmings on site.
- **5 points:** Compost and/or recycle 100% of vegetation trimmings on site.
- **Additional point value:** For sites that generate food waste, provide space for on-site collection of compostable organics.

Monitoring and Innovation

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22 possible points

Reward exceptional performance and improve the body of knowledge on long-term sustainability

Credit 9.1: Monitor performance of sustainable design practices (10 points)

Credit 9.2: Innovation in site design (4-12 points)

Monitoring and Innovation

Credit 9.2

To encourage and reward innovative sustainable practices not specifically addressed by the SITES Benchmarks



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- **4 points:** Community Programs above and beyond Credit 6.2 requirements (minimum of 15 events a year including charities, farmers markets, and movie nights)
- **4 points:** Edible Plants, encouraging local food production and utilizing plants from the garden for the restaurant and brewery.
- **4 points:** Exemplary performance for Credit 5.4, by demonstrating that 40% of materials are salvaged.

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