

**Delete all references to "LEED"
And The
"GREEN BUILDING RATING SYSTEM™"**

Reasons:

This is a proprietary item and, as such, should not be placed as a requirement within a public policy document.

The State HCD (Department of Housing and Community Development) is currently working with the ICC (International Code Council) primary authors of the new California Building Code; which takes effect on January 1, 2008; and other organizations to develop a Green Building Standard.

In the interim the California Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission has passed Resolution 06-0524-21 which recognizes the California Green Builder Program as the standard.
(See attached Resolution)

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE CALIFORNIA GREEN BUILDER PROGRAM

WHEREAS, production builders build on the order of 200,000 new homes every year in California, predominately in hotter, inland climate zones in the state, and the new homes added each year provide housing needed for California's growing population; and

WHEREAS, the new homes added each year contribute significantly to the need for additional energy infrastructure in the State, and increase demands for construction materials and the State's limited water resources; and

WHEREAS, California state policy promotes the development of highly energy-efficient, environmentally responsible housing through Title 24 Building Standards, energy efficiency incentive programs, and land-use planning requirements; and

WHEREAS, the California Building Industry Association is a statewide trade association representing companies that account for approximately 80% of the new homes built in California, and which runs the Building Industry Institute, a non-profit research and education entity specializing in energy efficiency research and extensive builder-training efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Building Industry Institute has developed and implemented the California Green Builder Program which sets builder goals for significant improvements in energy efficiency, indoor air quality, on-site waste recycling and water and wood conservation in home construction; and

WHEREAS, the California Green Builder Program is a cost-effective program for builders and homebuyers that meets the needs of builders, buyers, and California's cities and counties by easing construction requirements, enhancing and speeding home sales, saving homeowners money, and saving California's scarce energy, water, and landfill capacity resources; and

WHEREAS, the California Green Builder Program requires that participants build homes that exceed Title 24 energy efficiency standards by at least 15%, use at least 20,000 gallons less water than conventionally constructed homes, use engineered wood products primarily from sustainably harvested forest resources, use designated practices to reduce wood waste during construction, and diverts at least 50% of construction waste from landfills; and

WHEREAS, the California Green Builder Program results in significant improvements in indoor air quality in the homes constructed through the use of low Volatile Organic Compound paints, lacquers, floor underlayment and carpet and better construction, testing, and filtering of ventilation systems installed in the homes; and

WHEREAS, the California Energy Commission has determined that the California Green Builder Program goals are consistent with the State's energy policy, waste policy and environmental goals;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the California Energy Commission hereby recognizes the California Building Industry Association and the Building Industry Institute for the development of and implementation of the California Green Builder Program, and encourages production home builders in the state to participate in the program so as to contribute to the achievement of California's energy, water, waste disposal, and environmental policy goals.

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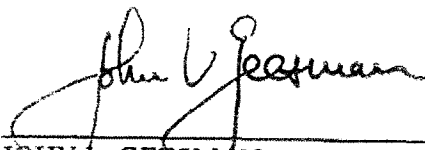


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Passive Energy Utilization

Components:

In Cool or Cold Weather

Day-time

Let the solar radiation enter

In Warm or Hot Weather

Day-time Hours

Restrict solar radiation entry (shading)

During Night-time Hours

Utilize fresh air entry & circulation

Climatic variations within Humboldt County

Coastal Areas - Southwest & West exposure advised
(controlled day-time solar entry)

Inland Areas - South exposure advised
(winter day-time solar entry)
(summer day-time shading)
(summer night-time cooling)

“It is more cost effective to utilize passive energy than to generate solar power.”