

Zero Carbon Buildings **Municipal Summit**





























Driving sustainable and regenerative design, construction, and operations of the built environment.

education | community | advocacy | research/tools































































































































Why are we here?

Agenda

- Overview with Julie Janiski & Jacob Knowles
- Panel Discussion
 - a. Local Governmental / Municipal Leadership
- **Breakout 1** What's Current?
- **Breakout 2** What's Next?
- Next Steps & Resources with Eversource | Mass Save & MassCEC

Desired Outcomes

- Inform Massachusetts's NZC efforts
- Hear from this Community
- Compile next steps

Presenters



Julie Janiski
Partner | BuroHappold Engineering



Jacob Knowles
Director of Sustainable Design | BR+A

CODES + ZONING REGULATIONS

NET ZERO CODES

Seattle

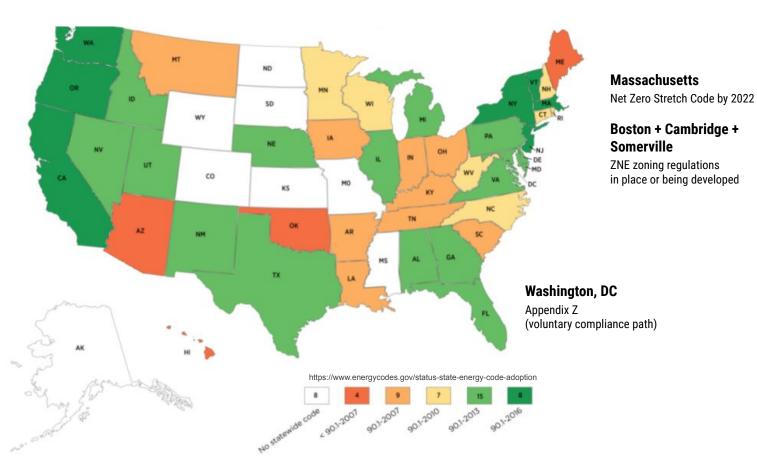
Energy Code is Approaching Net Zero

California

Title 24-2019 (near residential NZE) Zero Code (commercial proposed)

National

IECC 2021 ZNE Appendix IECC 2030 / ASHRAE 90.1-2031 = Approaching ZNE



MA CLIMATE BILL MUNICIPAL LEADERS: NET ZERO STRETCH CODE SUPPORT LETTER

Gill Acton Shutesbury Amherst Somerville Groton Andover Springfield **Ipswich** Arlington Lancaster Truro Ashland Wakefield Lexington Belmont Lincoln Waltham Malden Becket Warwick Beverly Marlborough Washington

Medfield Watertown Boston

Boxford Medford Wayland

Brookline Melrose Wellesley Cambridge Weston Montague Chelsea Natick Weymouth

Concord Newton Whately

Northampton Williamstown Conway Pittsfield Windsor Cummington

Dedham Salem Winchester Egremont Saugus

Everett Sharon

Framingham

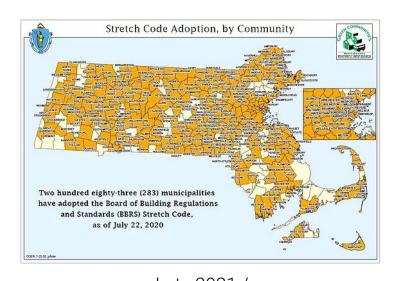
Winthrop

Represents 40% of

the population of MA

Worcester Sherborn

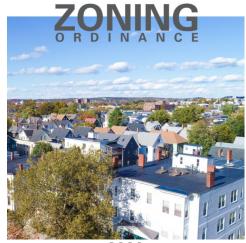
MA CLIMATE BILL: NET ZERO STRETCH CODE





CARBON NEUTRAL ZONING + ORDINANCE

SOMERVILLE



2020

BOSTON



2021 / 2022

CAMBRIDGE



2020 - 2030

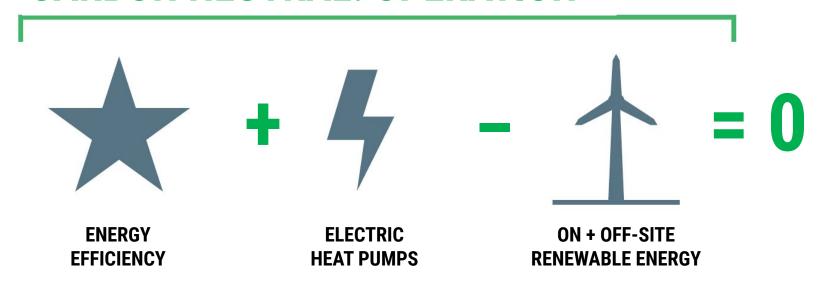




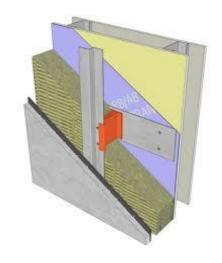


WHAT IS NET ZERO?

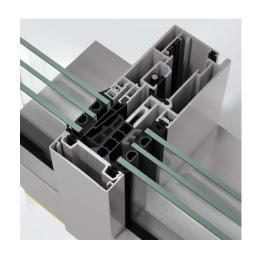
CARBON NEUTRAL: OPERATION



ENERGY EFFICIENCY: ENVELOPE

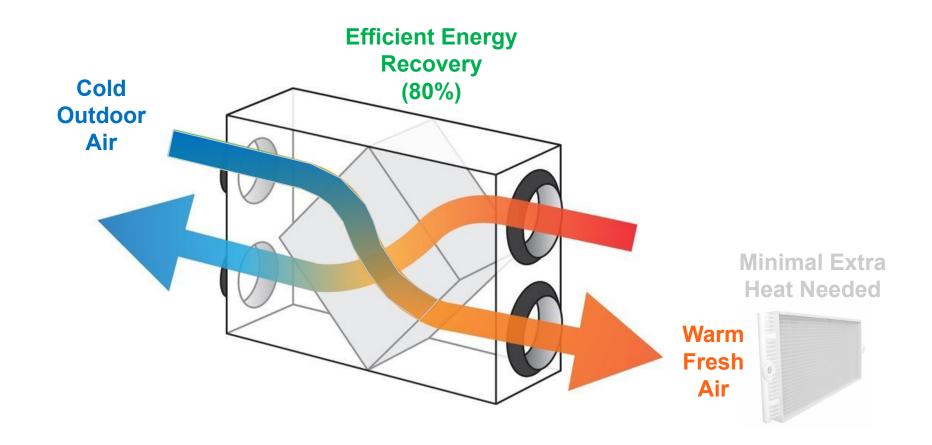


Thermally Broken
+ Highly Insulated Envelope

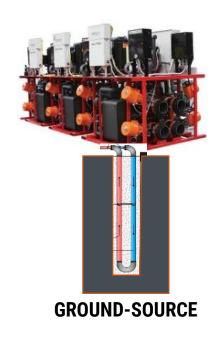


Triple Glazing + High Performance Frame

ENERGY EFFICIENCY: HVAC



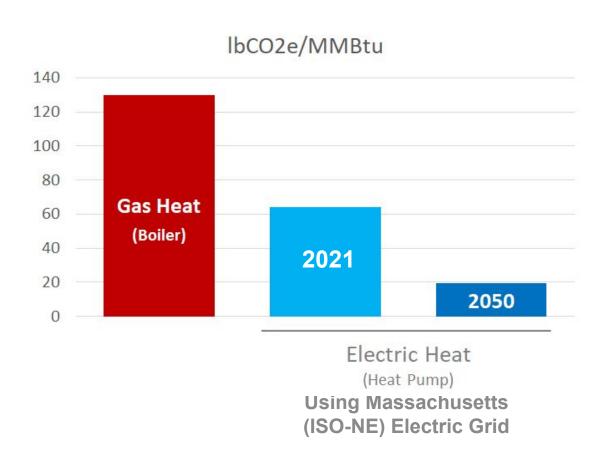
ELECTRIC HEAT PUMPS





AIR-SOURCE

GAS vs. HEAT PUMP: CO2 EMISSIONS



RENEWABLE ENERGY



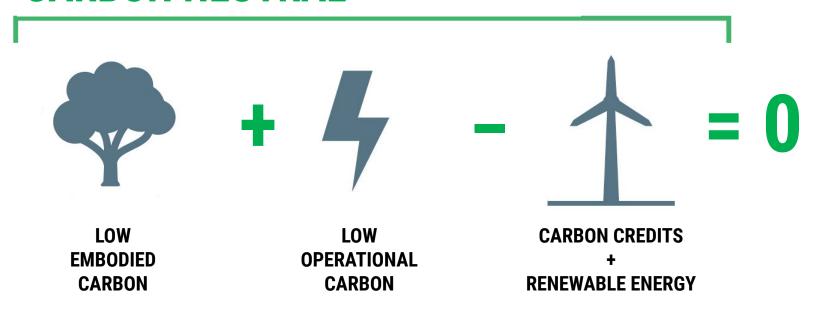
ON-SITE RENEWABLES
Prioritized as primary



OFF-SITE RENEWABLES Supplement as necessary

100% of the building's annual energy consumption

CARBON NEUTRAL



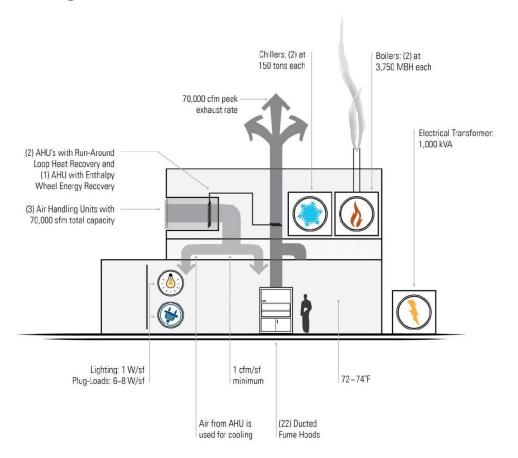
CASE STUDY: BRISTOL SBREGA BUILDING







Original Design: High Performance



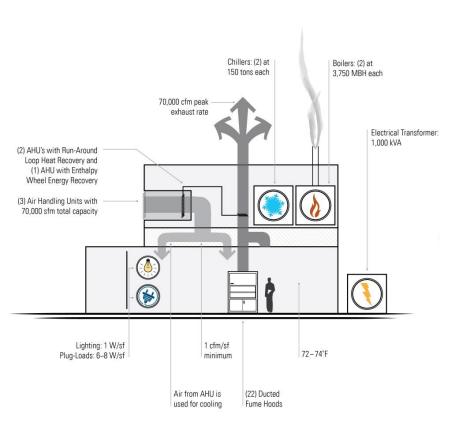






High Performance

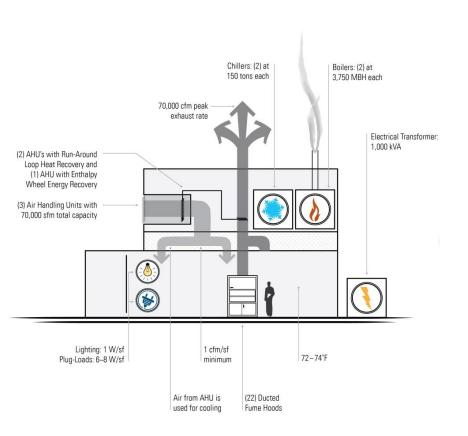
Zero Net Energy

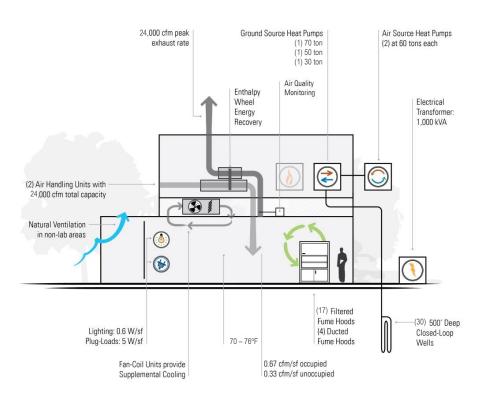


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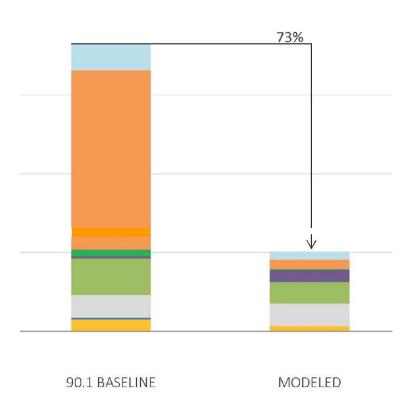
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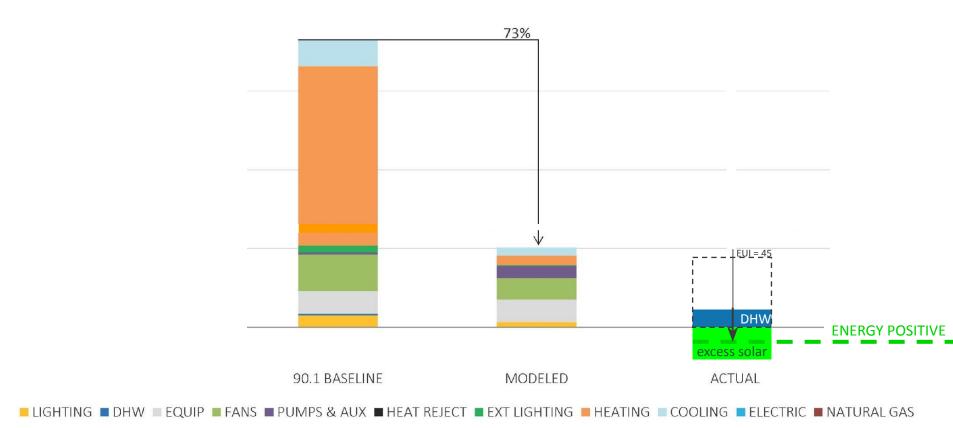


Energy Consumption





Measured Performance



Construction Cost



Life Cycle Cost

\$7,000,000

\$6,000,000

\$5,000,000

\$4,000,000

\$3,000,000

\$2,000,000

\$1,000,000

\$4,150,000 **Net Present Savings**

\$230,000/yr **Operational Savings** (annual tuition for 50 students)

2 ZERO **ZNE GRANT ALTERNATES** +INCENTIVES *(GRANT-FUNDED)

REDUCED WINDOW AREA

OPAQUE ENVELOPE PIPING

CASE STUDY: BELMONT MIDDLE + HIGH SCHOOL



Bond Payments
Solar Maintenance Premiums
REC Purchases

Utility Cost Savings
Geothermal Maintenance Savings
AEC Incentives

Geothermal

Rooftop Solar

RECs

Geothermal

Rooftop Solar

\$0 (Cost Neutral)

AECs

\$>5M Net Present Savings

NET ZERO = READILY ACHIEVABLE BY ALL BUILDING TYPES

NET ZERO READY DATABASE SNAPSHOT

7.2 Million Sq Ft in Massachusetts Currently Documented. More Pending...

(select examples shown

Assembly



Lexington

6,700

Walden Pond Visitor Center Concord

5.575

Eastham Public Library Eastham

17,500

MA Audubon Broad Meadow Brook Worcester 6.200

786 Belmont Public Library Belmont

40.000

Old Oak Doio Jamaica Plain 924

Office

GSF

505,200

Woods Hole Research Center Falmouth

Div of Fisheries & Wildlife Field Westborough 45,000

11-21 Bromfield Boston

441,000

Education:

76,899



Douglas & Gates Schools

174,000

Cambridge

27,600

Boston

King Open/Cambridge St Upper Schools Complex Cambridge 243,000

Westborough

Annie E. Fales Elementary School Lexington Children's Place Lexington

Upper Schools Project Cambridge 275,000

Harbor Village

Roxbury

608-Hastings School-DDP Lexington 110,000

Belmont Middle and High School Belmont 445,100

Cunniff Elementary School Watertown 82,355

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. School Hosmer Elementary School Cambridge 168,500

19,200

Watertown 142,500

Lincoln School New Bedford 100,000

1,927,400



1,070,483



(Building B) Cambridge

Hyde Park LGBTO Senior Housing Clarendon Hill Redevelopment

Somerville

Finch Cambridge Cambridge 100,000



Cambridge



Cambridge

15,000

1005 Broadway

Chelsea





5.847

Lab / Tech / Science

899,100





Medical School

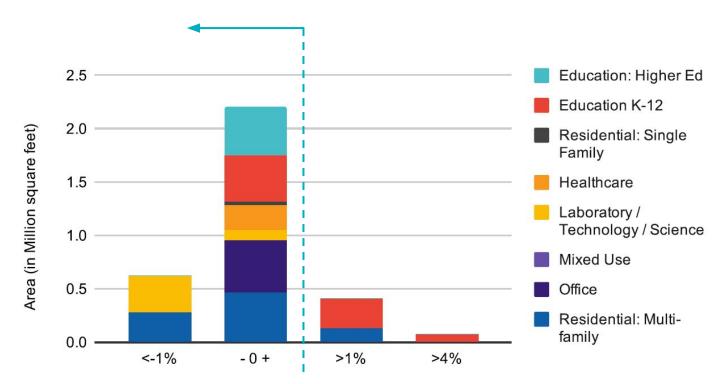
38,500

325 Binney Street Worcester Cambridge

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST TO BUILD NET ZERO READY?

*47% OF GSF REPORTED ON % COST DIFFERENCE

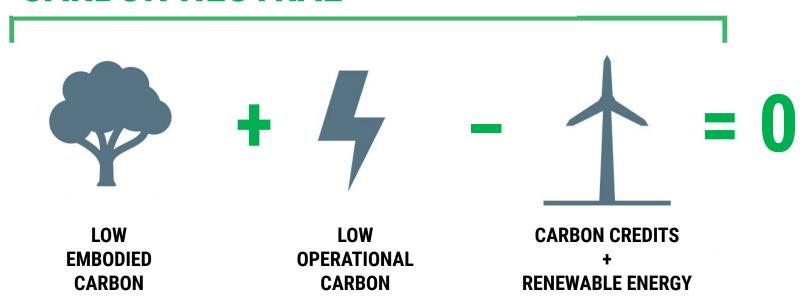
85% OF RESPONSES: <1% PREMIUM



Percent Change in Construction Cost due to Net Zero Ready in MA

WHOLE-BUILDING CARBON EMISSIONS

CARBON NEUTRAL



OPERATIONAL + EMBODIED CARBON



Manufacture, transport and installation of construction materials

Operational Carbon Building energy consumption

MATERIAL SELECTION & PROCUREMENT

- Regional extraction/manufacture
- Less resources used to manufacture
- Industrial best practice for reuse and recycle
- High quality offsets

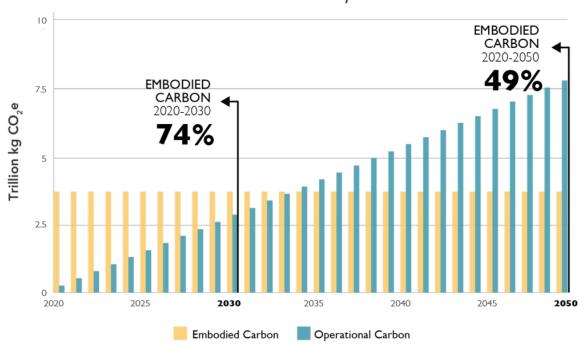
BUILDING PERFORMANCE

- High-Performance Envelope
- **Efficient, Electric Systems**
- Renewable Energy, incl. high quality offsets

Image: Skanska

GLOBAL CARBON EMISSIONS: NEW CONSTRUCTION (2020-2050)

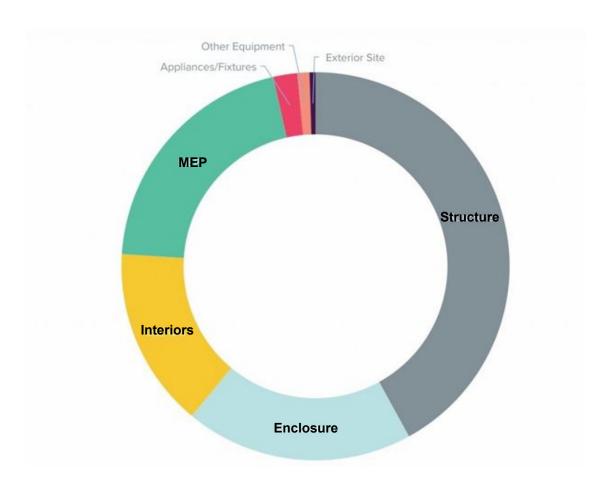
Total Carbon Emissions of Global New Construction from 2020-2050 Business as Usual Projection



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Data Sources: UN Environment Global Status Report 2017; EIA International Energy Outlook 2017

EMBODIED CARBON / WHOLE BUILDING



EMBODIED CARBON / EXAMPLE - STRUCTURE

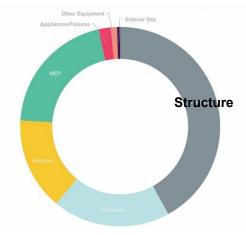




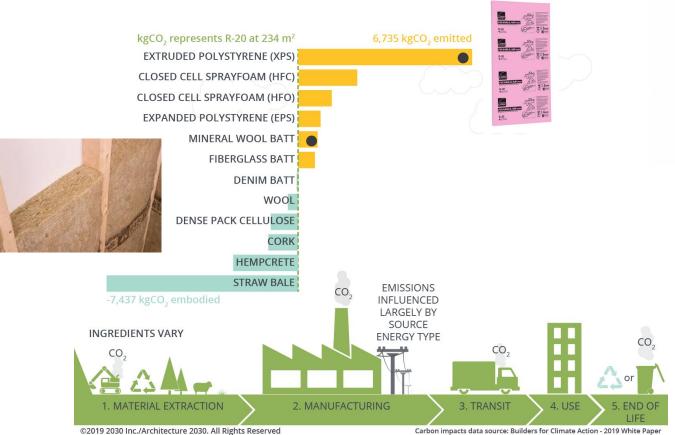


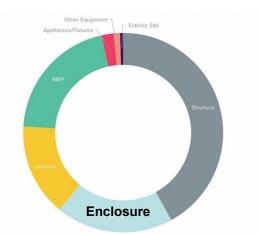




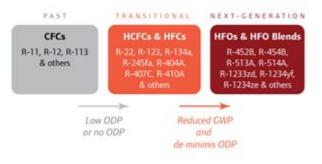
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EMBODIED CARBON / EXAMPLE - INSULATION

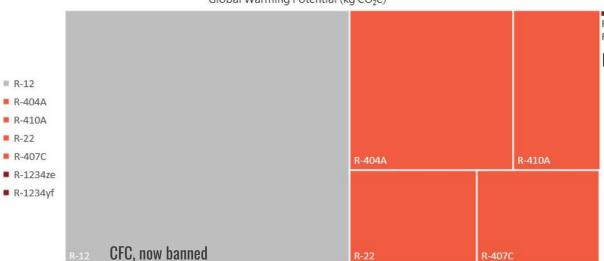


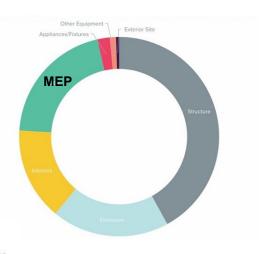


EMBODIED CARBON / EXAMPLE - REFRIGERANTS









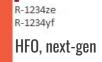
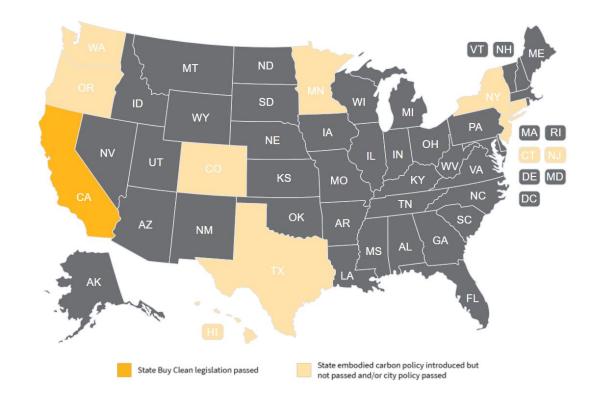


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EMBODIED CARBON - POLICY - NORTH AMERICA

Policy Options

- 1. Prescriptive
- 2. Adopt other green building certification requirements
- 3. Performance targets or limits





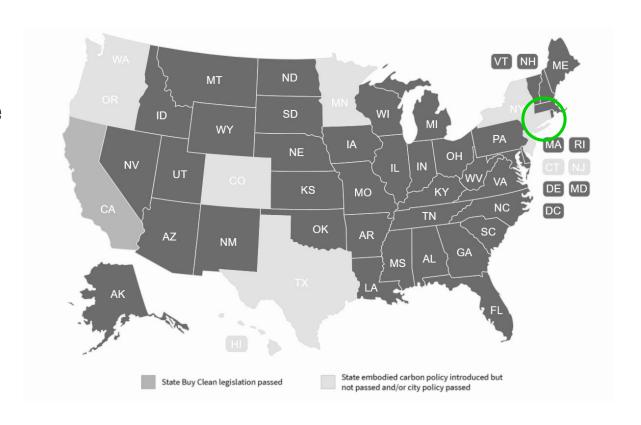
EMBODIED CARBON - POLICY - MASSACHUSETTS

MA Municipalities - Examples

- → Somerville, Zoning Ordinance; Density increase
- → Newton, Zoning Ordinance; 20,000sf+ special permit

In development:

- Cambridge: Reporting, Re-use, Thresholds
- → Boston: Zero Net Carbon Zoning, Exploratory





EMBODIED CARBON - POLICY - PERFORMANCE-BASED, CERTIFICATION/COMMITMENT EXAMPLES

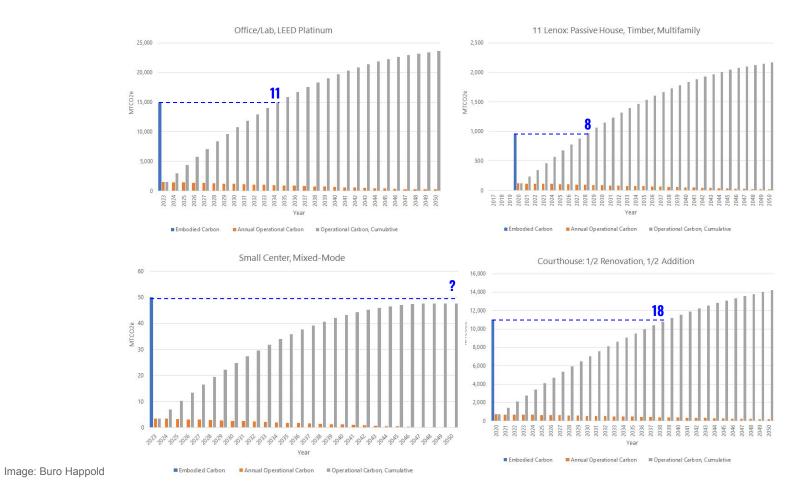








WHOLE BUILDING CARBON EMISSIONS: OPERATIONAL + EMBODIED



11 LENOX STREET, BOSTON, MA





STRATEGIES

Operational Carbon

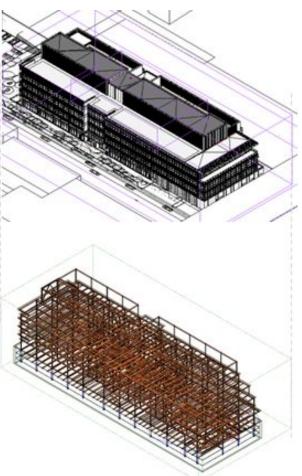
- Passive House (PHIUS), Triple-Pane Windows, Robust Insulation
- Ventilation: Energy Recovery
- Heating/Cooling: Daiken VRF (heat pumps)
- ➤ Hot Water: Heat Pump Hot Water Heater
- > All-Electric
- > Rooftop Solar PV (40kW)
- > EV Charging

Embodied Carbon

- FSC Timber (Nordic); glulam post and beam, CLT floors
- > Lightweight recycled insulated fill
- > Prefab modular concrete cores

OFFICE/LAB, SOMERVILLE, MA

- 4 Stories
- Speculative



STRATEGIES

Operational Carbon

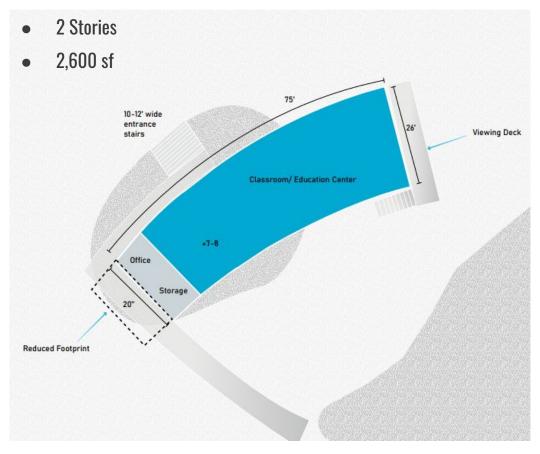
- High-performance envelope: triple-pane windows, external sun shading
- > Ventilation: Heat recovery
- Heating/Cooling: Heat pump chiller to maximize heat recovery for heating
- All-Electric Ready
- > 100% LED lighting design
- ➤ LEED Platinum

Embodied Carbon

- > Structural concrete mix
- Low-carbon steel, rebar, decking
- Mineral wool insulation
- **➣** LEED Platinum

Image: Buro Happold

SMALL EDUCATION CENTER, MA



STRATEGIES

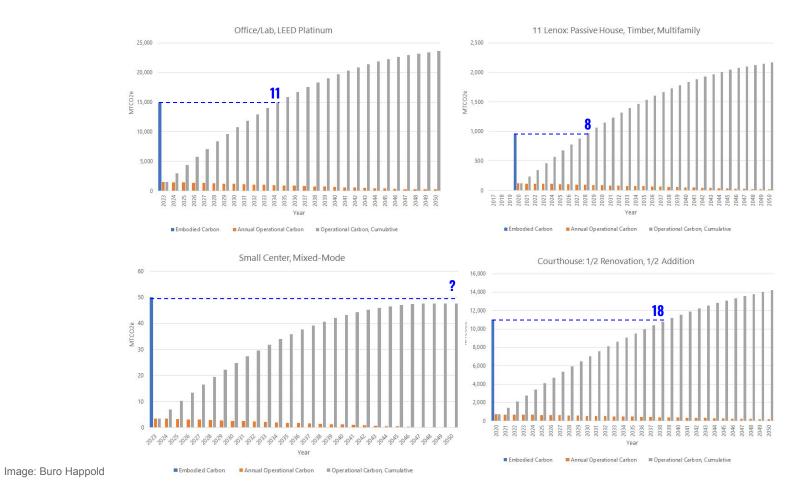
Operational Carbon

- High-performance envelope: robust insulation, external sun shading
- > Natural ventilation strategies
- > All-Electric: Heat pumps
- > Energy Star appliances
- > Rooftop Solar PV
- ILFI Zero Carbon

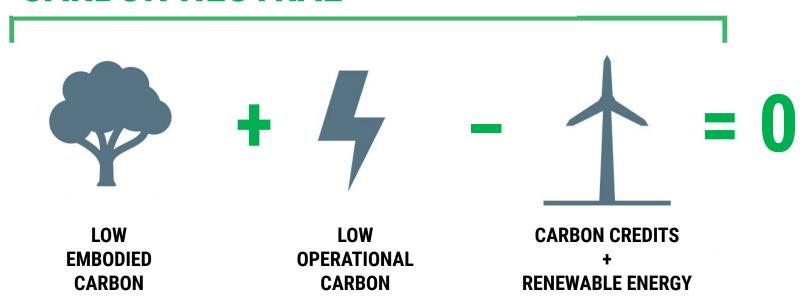
Embodied Carbon

- > Timber structure, FSC
- Mineral wool insulation
- Design for disassembly
- Less aluminum extrusion profiles
- Concrete: CarbonCure, Maximum SCMs
- > ILFI Zero Carbon

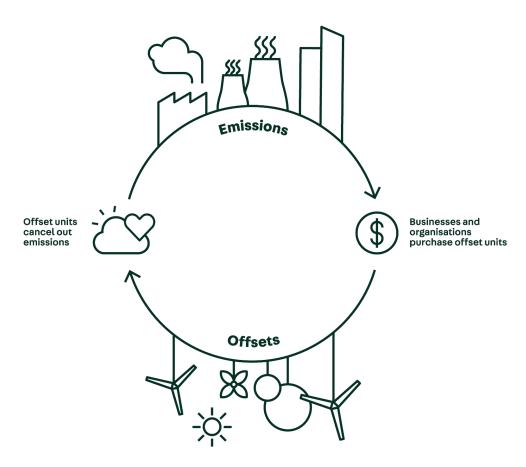
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CARBON NEUTRAL



HIGH QUALITY OFFSETS



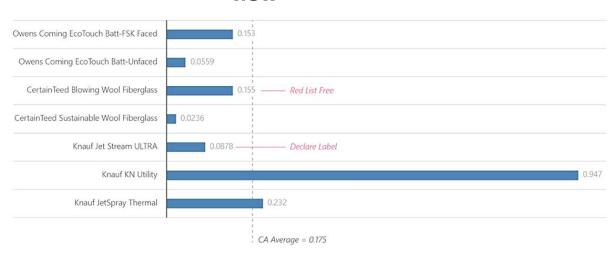


BUILDING DESIGN & HEALTH / WELLBEING

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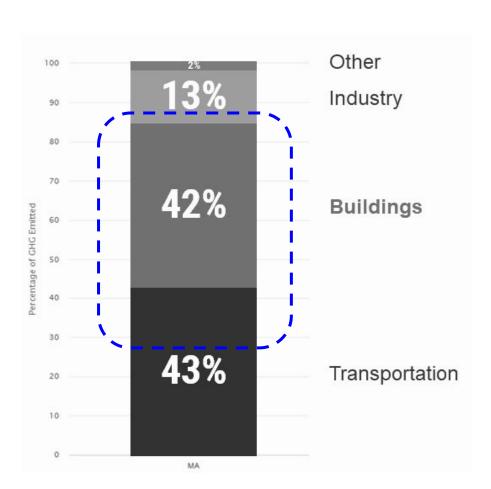


NOW



CARBON EMISSIONS: MASSACHUSETTS

OPPORTUNITY FOR IMPACT



PANEL



Joseph Curtatone
Mayor of Somerville



Stephanie Ciccarello
Town of Amherst



Andrea Love
Cambridge Net Zero Task Force





Kimberly Cullinane



Lisa Dobbs



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