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Revolutionary Engineering

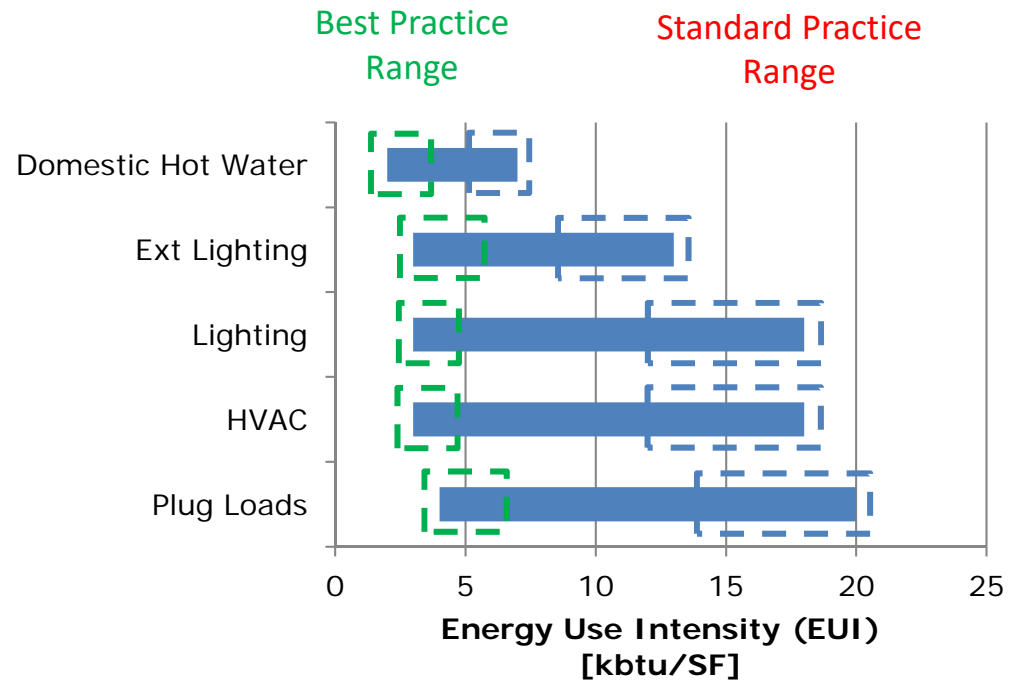
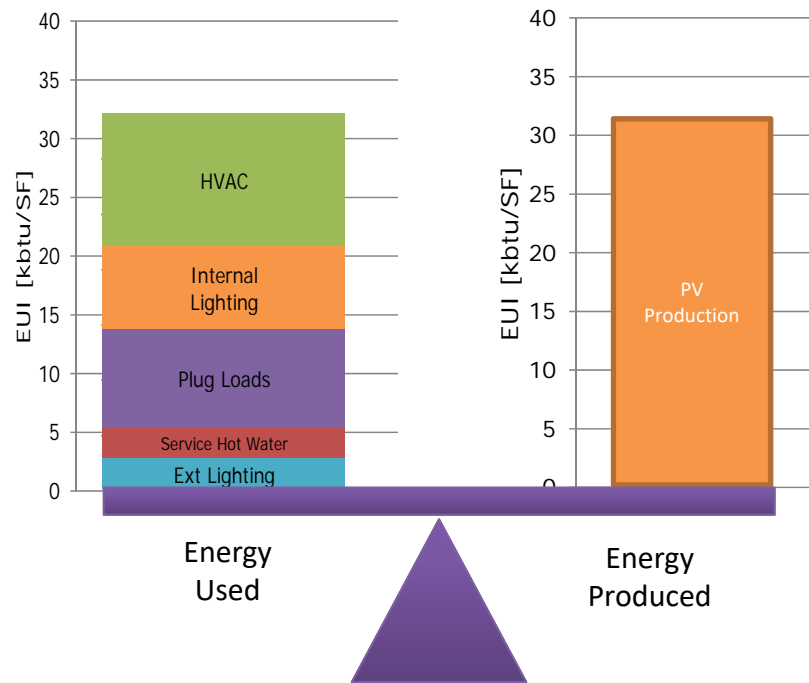
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John Andary, PE, LEED AP  
Principal :: Bioclimatic Design Leader

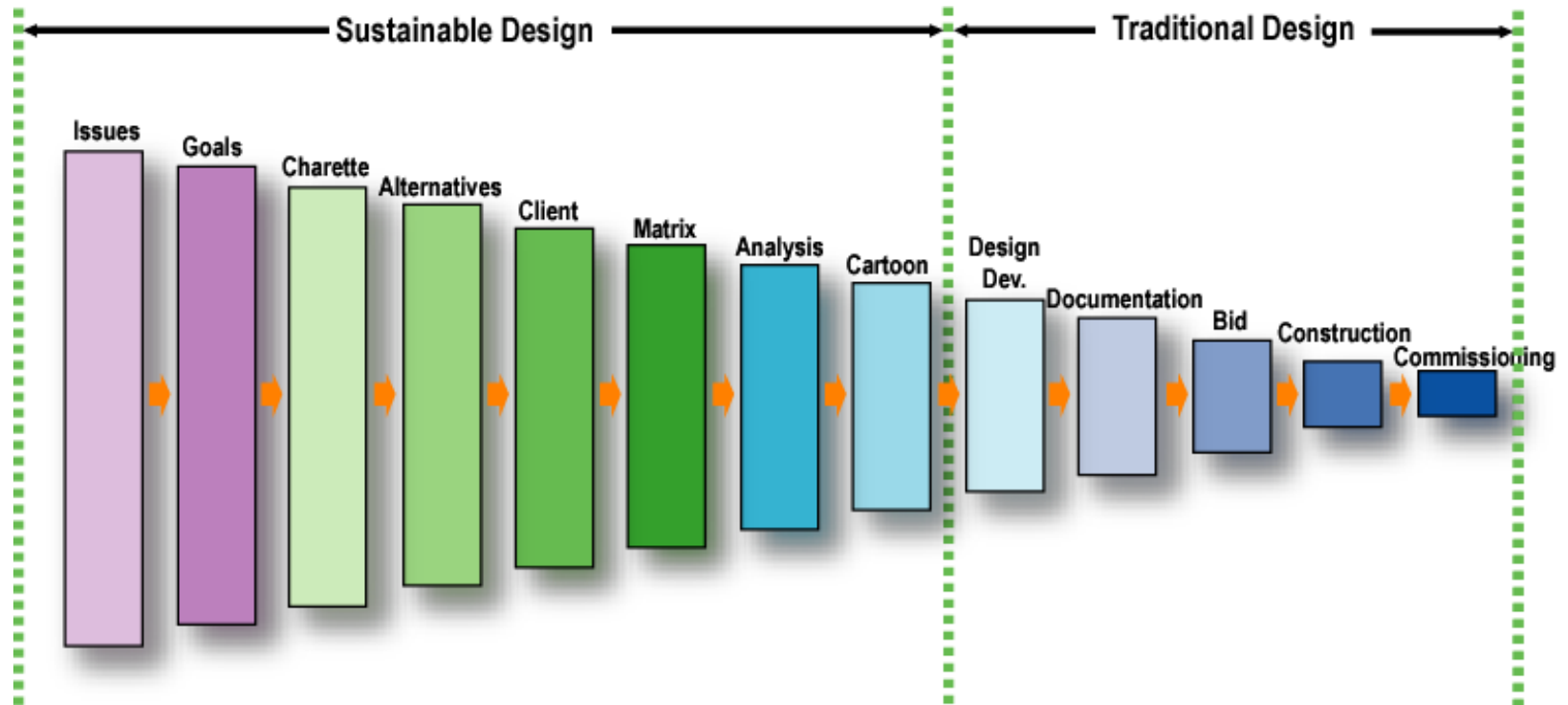


# BALANCING THE ENERGY BUDGET

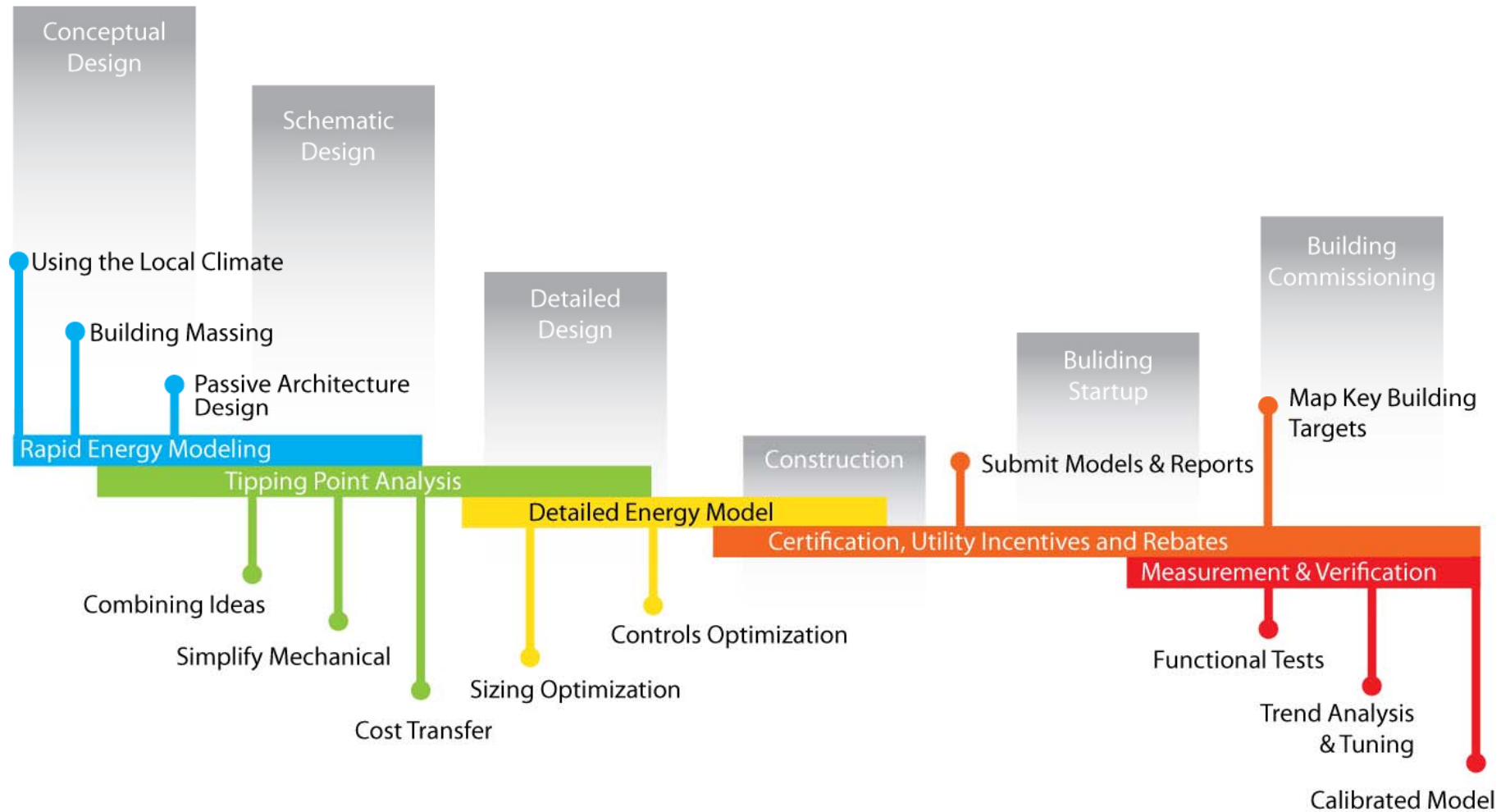
Set a maximum energy budget to help make design decisions.  
Understand “Best Practices” in the context of the Energy Budget.



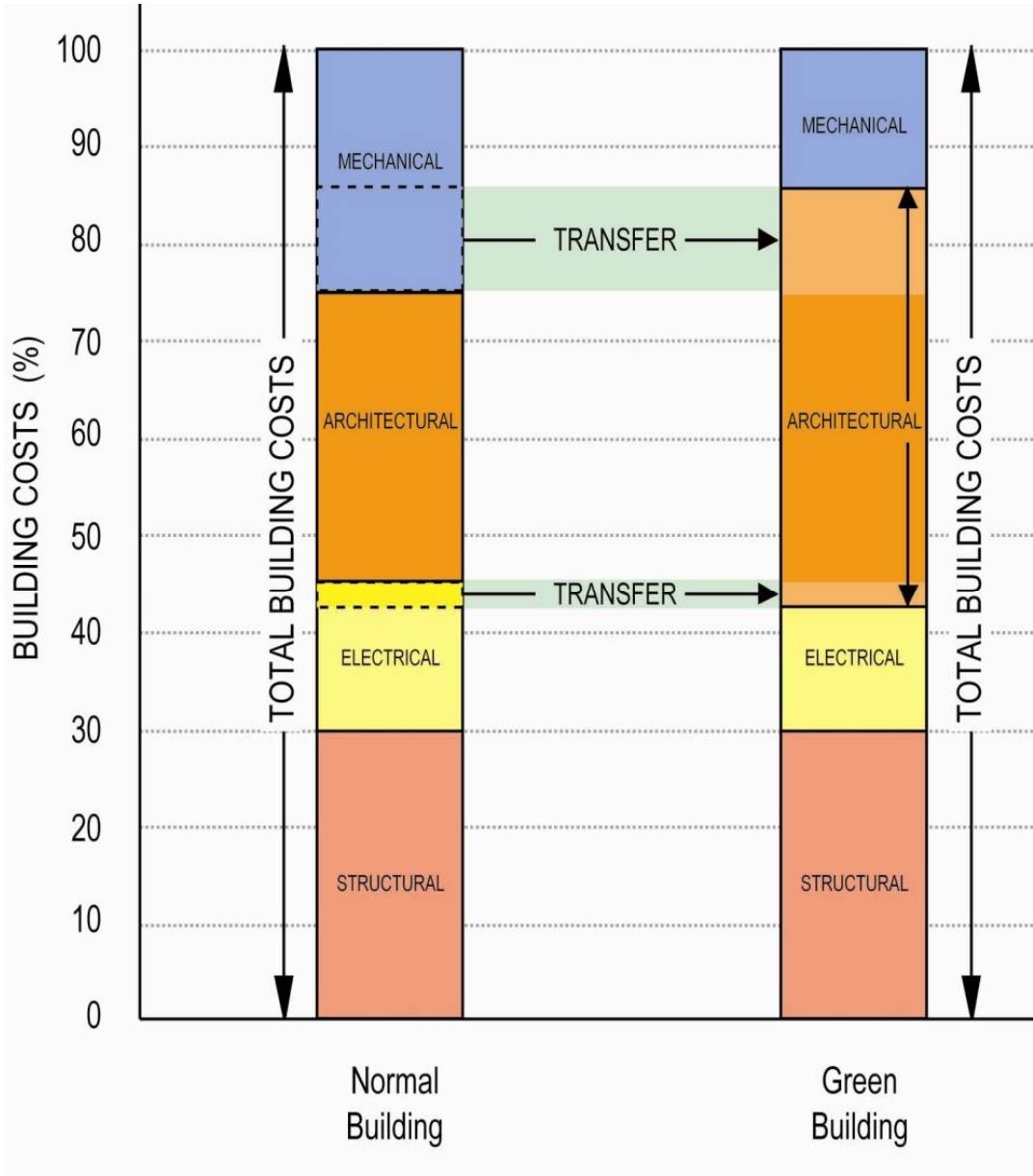
# INTEGRATED DESIGN PROCESS



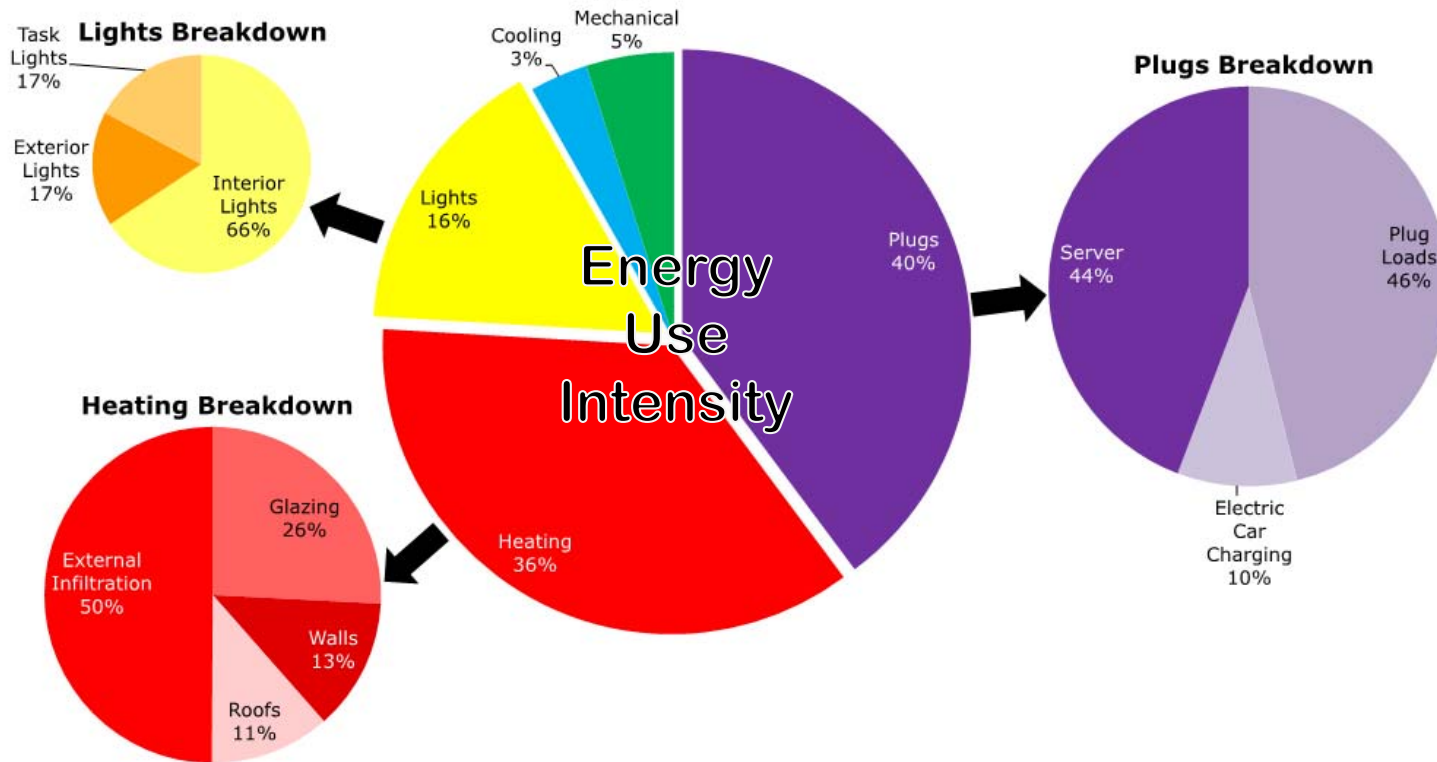
# MODELING :: SIMULATION :: ANALYSIS



# COST TRANSFER...TUNNELING THROUGH THE COST BARRIER



# ENERGY BREAKDOWN BY END USE



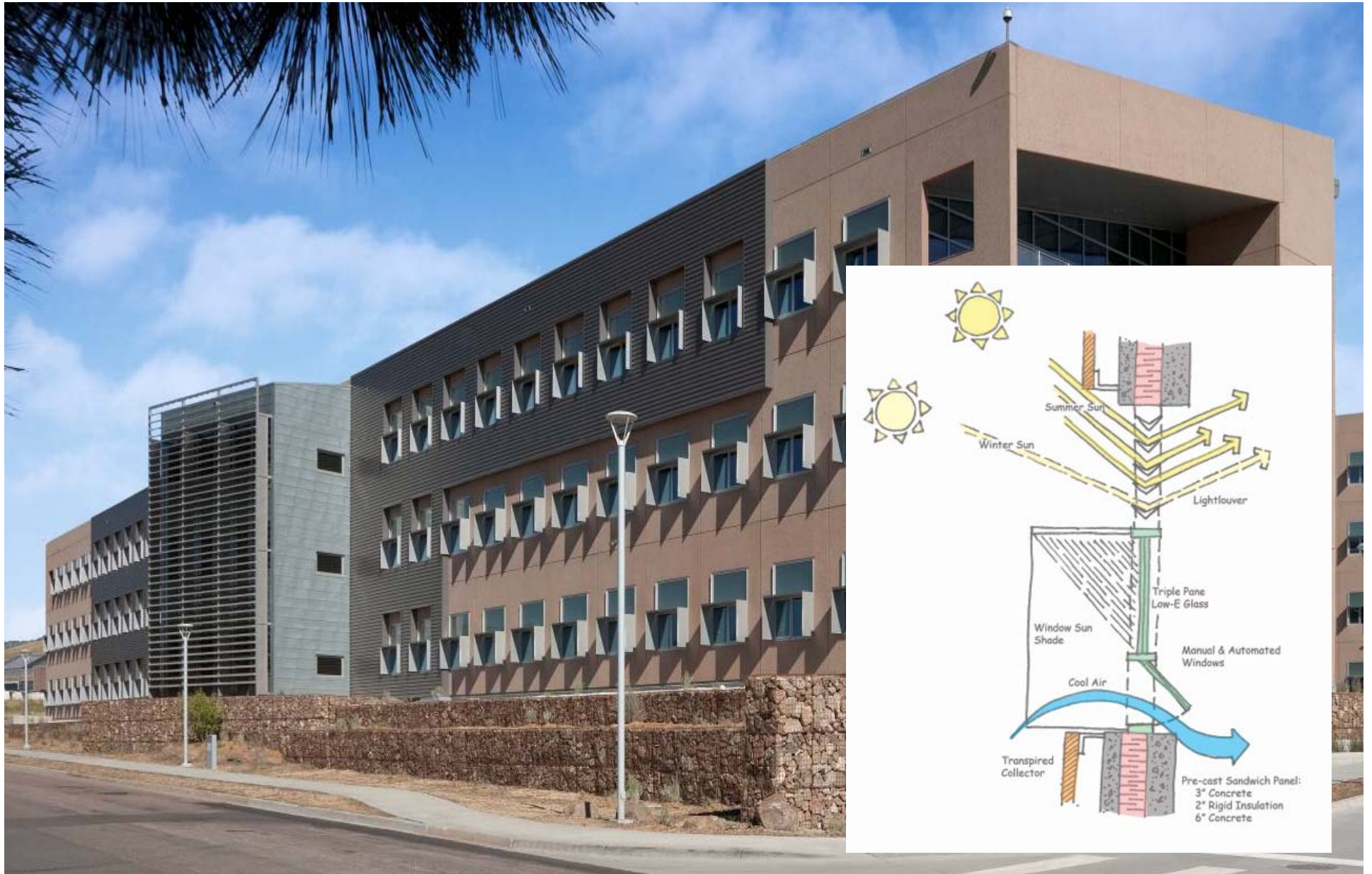


NREL RESEARCH SUPPORT FACILITY :: RNL DESIGN

# INTEGRATED DESIGN-BUILD SOLUTION



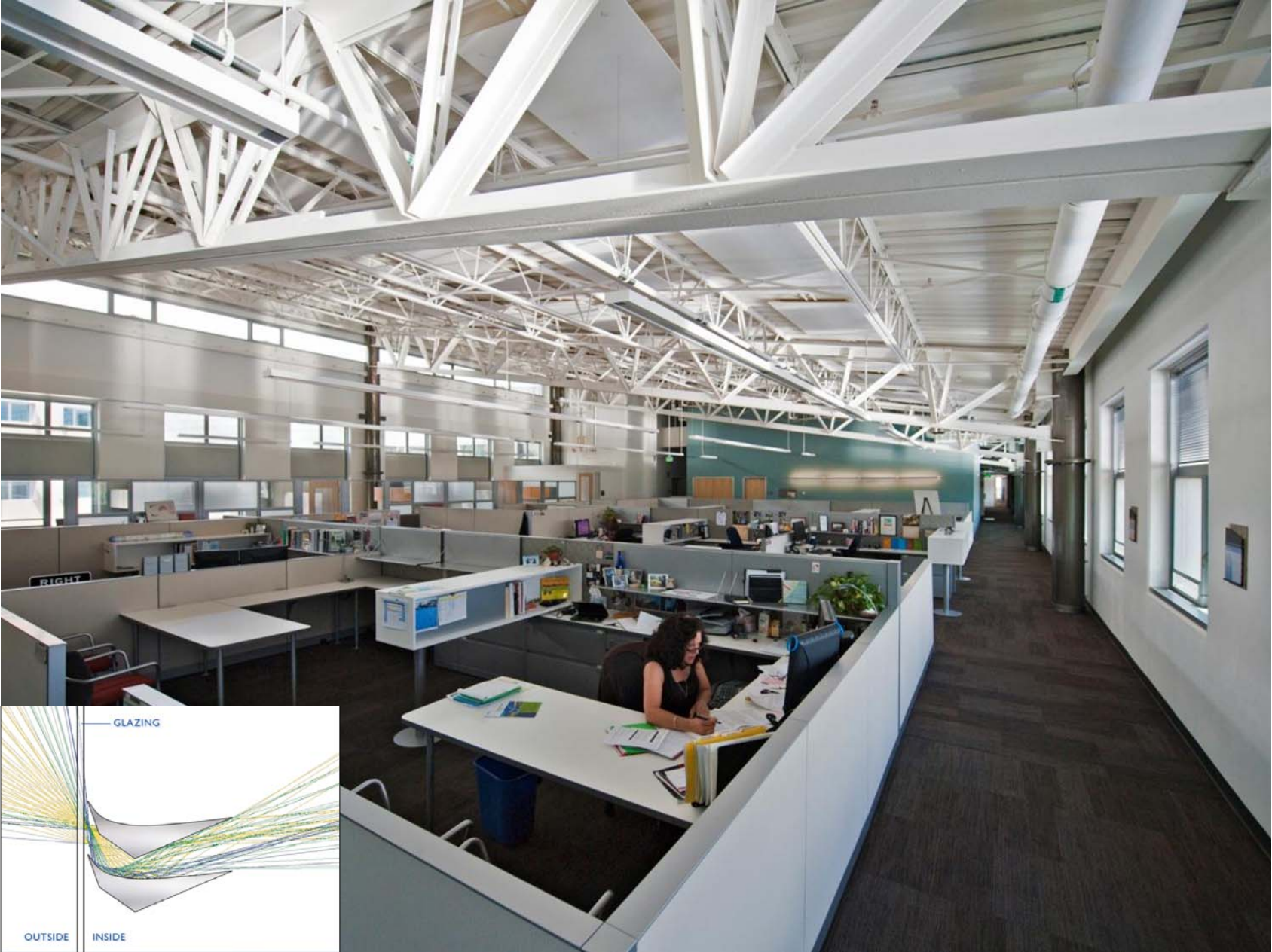
# ENVELOPE :: INTENTIONAL APERTURES

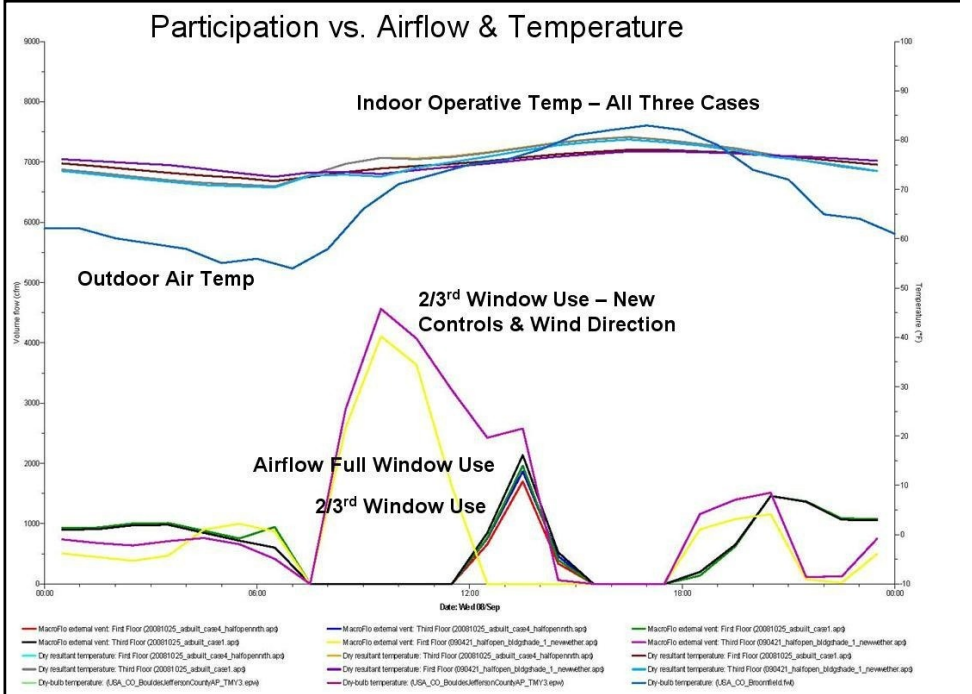
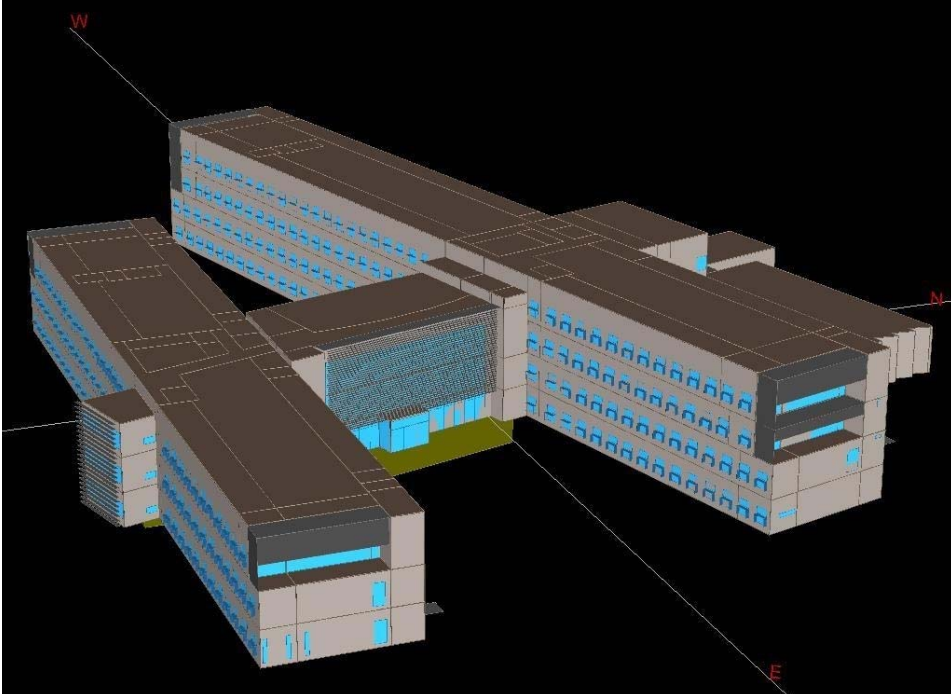
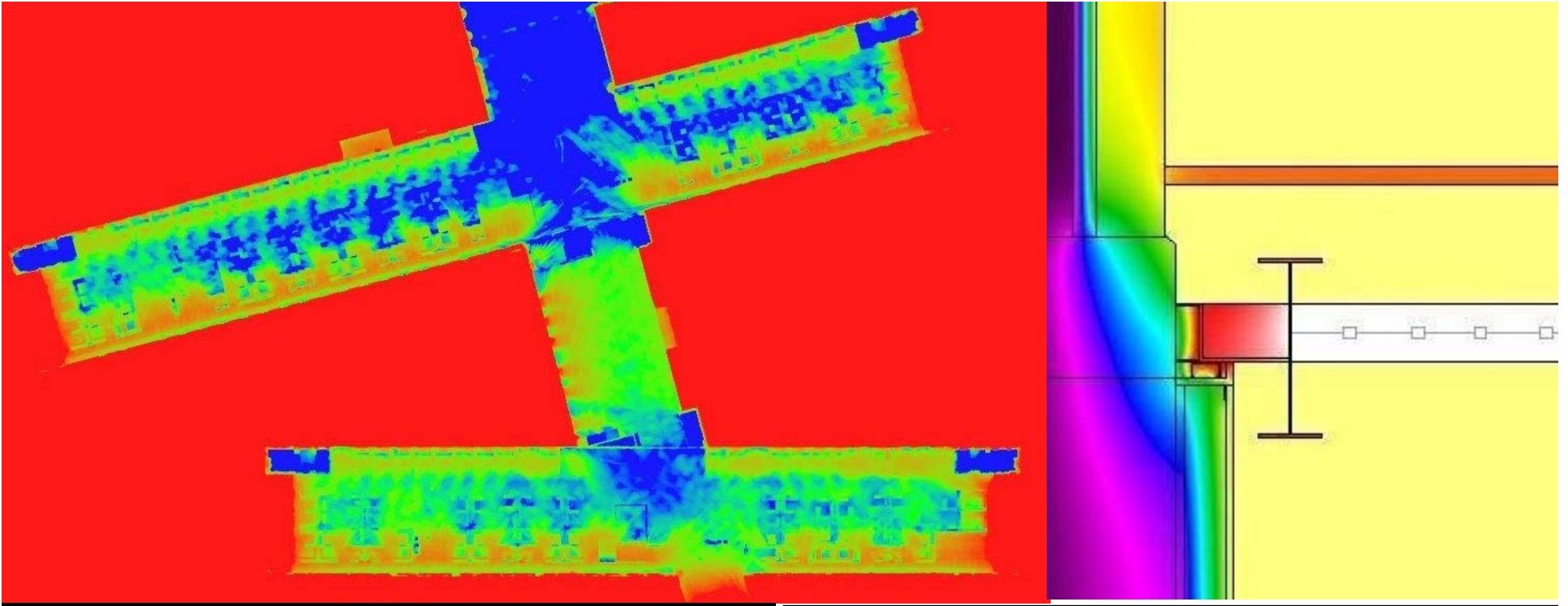


# COST MODEL VS. ENERGY MODEL

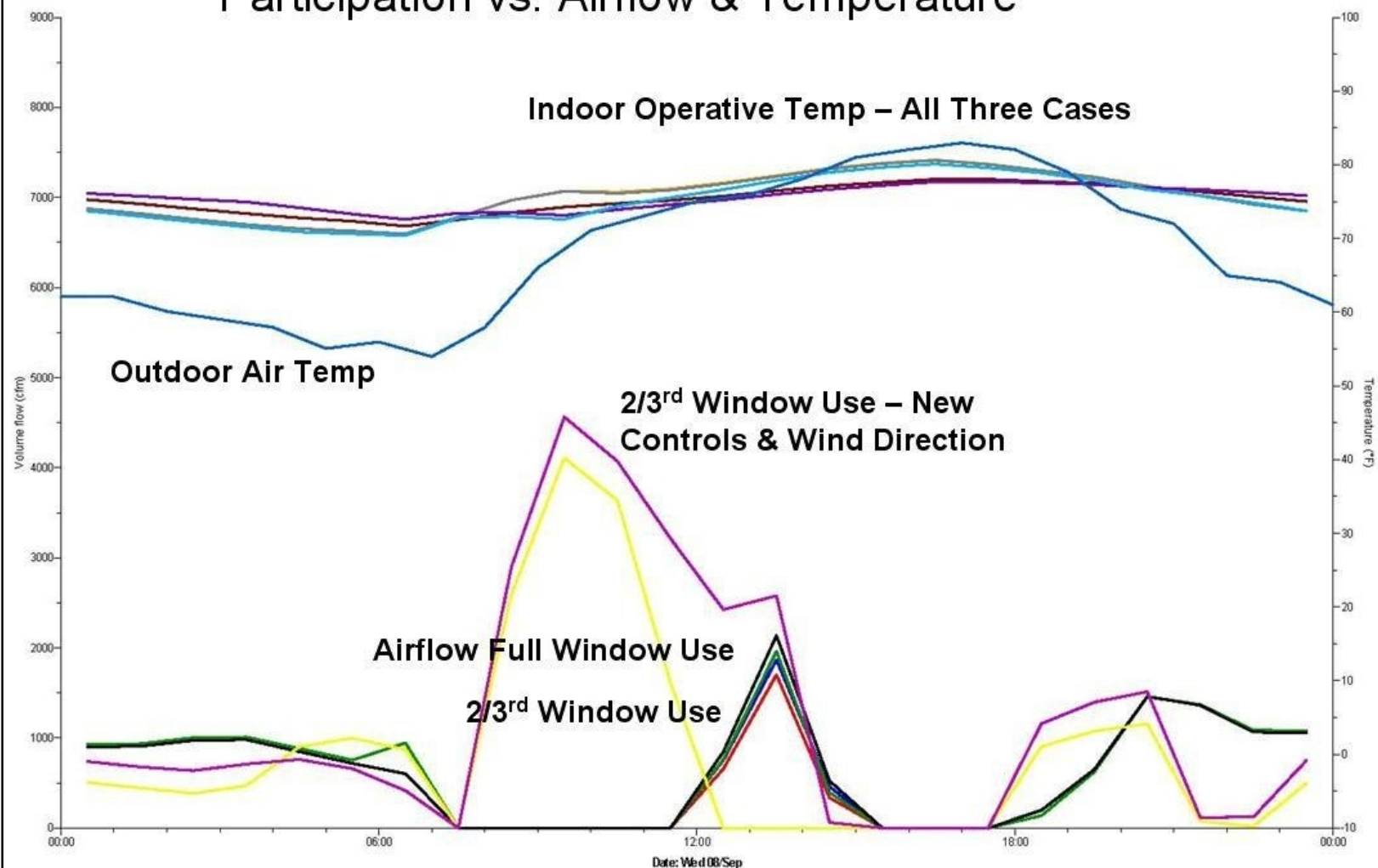


# DAYLIGHT DESIGN :: SIDELIGHTING + REDIRECTING





# Participation vs. Airflow & Temperature



- MacroFlo external vent: First Floor (20081025\_asbuilt\_case4\_halfopenninth.apj)
- MacroFlo external vent: Third Floor (20081025\_asbuilt\_case1.apj)
- Dry resultant temperature: First Floor (20081025\_asbuilt\_case4\_halfopenninth.apj)
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- Dry-bulb temperature: (USA\_CO\_BoulderJeffersonCountyAP\_TMY3.epw)
- Dry-bulb temperature: (USA\_CO\_Broomfield.fw)
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# HVAC :: RADIANT HEATING/COOLING

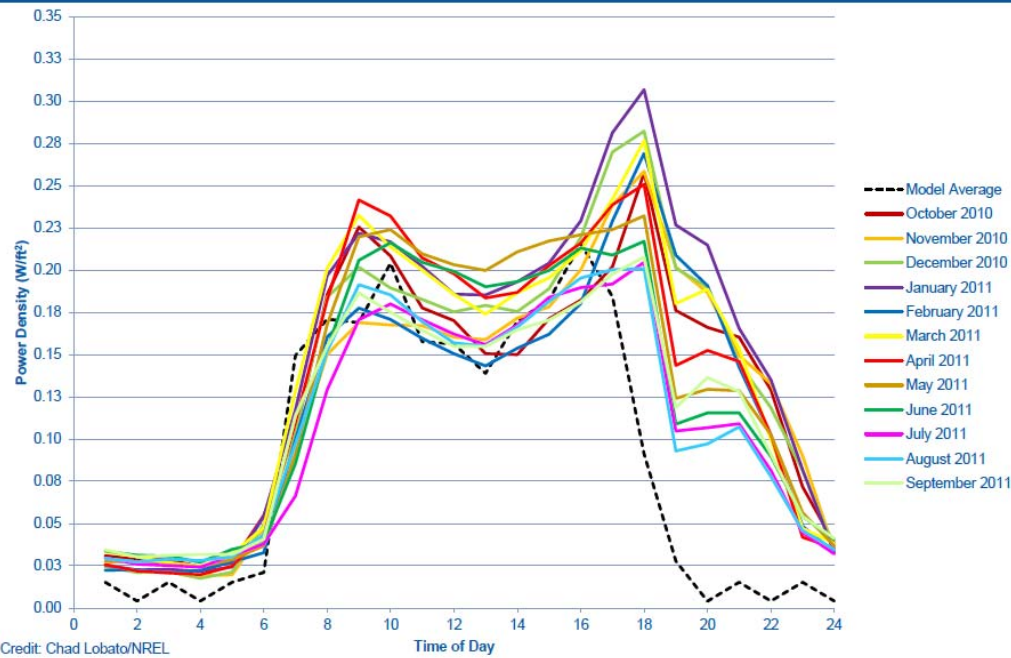


# Measured Versus Modeled Monthly and Cumulative EUI



# LESSONS LEARNED

## October 2010 – September 2011 Lighting Power Density

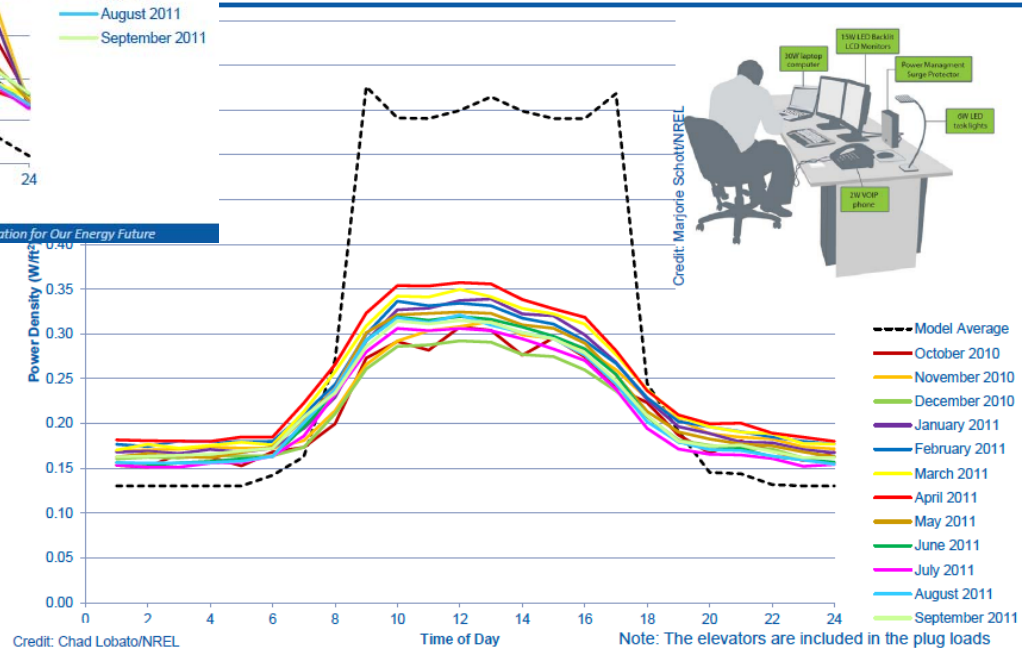


Credit: Chad Lobato/NREL

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## October 2010 – September 2011 Plug Load Power



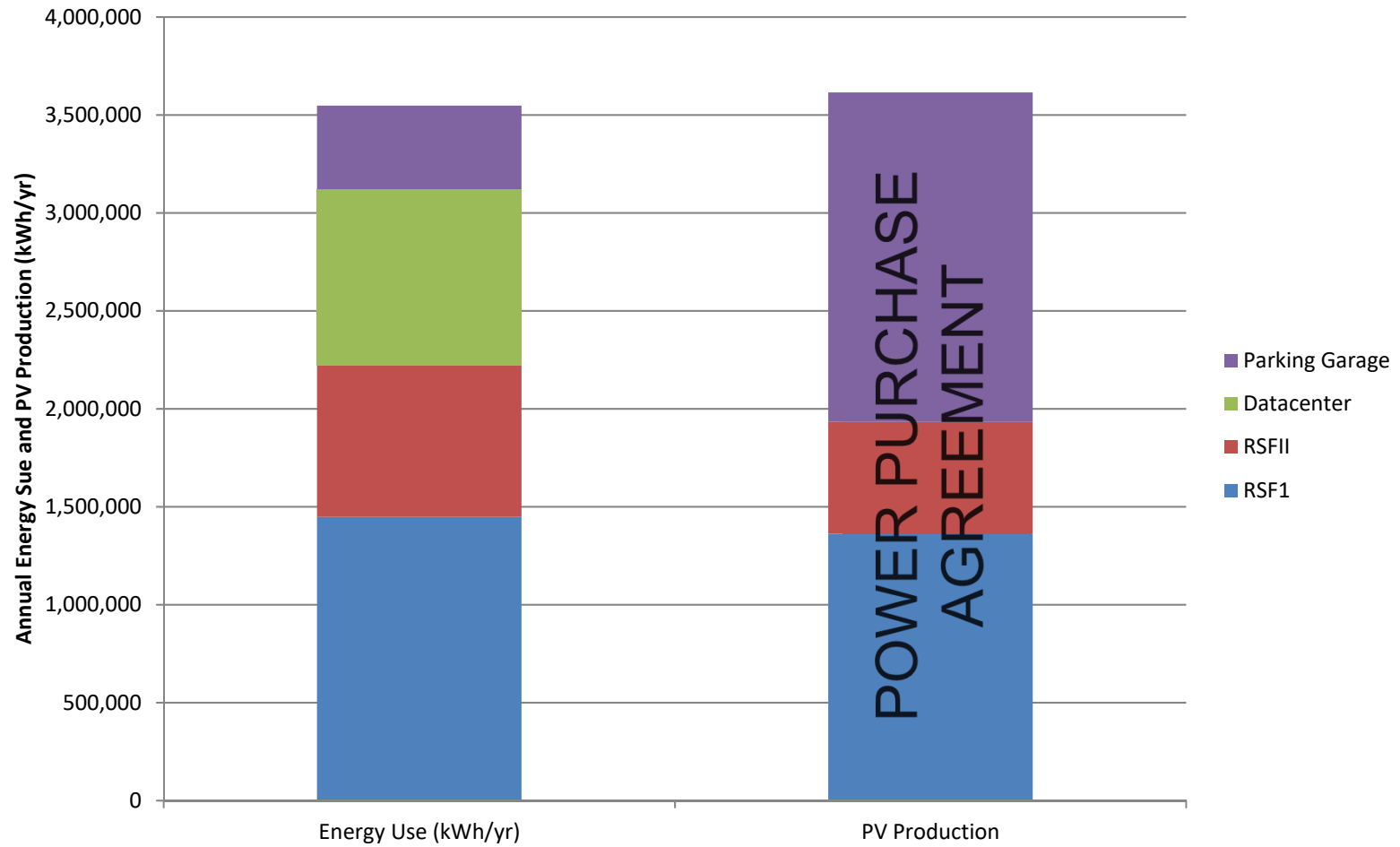
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Note: The elevators are included in the plug loads

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# ENERGY USED VERSUS PRODUCTION



## 2013 ASHRAE TECHNOLOGY AWARD CASE STUDIES

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NREL applied its own research and best practices for net zero energy performance when building a new facility at its Golden, Colo., campus. The LEED Platinum facility was built for \$259/ft<sup>2</sup> (\$2,788/m<sup>2</sup>) and operates with an energy use intensity of 35.4 kBtu/ft<sup>2</sup>-yr (112 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>-yr).

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COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS, NEW

# NREL: Largest Net Zero Building

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### BUILDING AT A GLANCE

#### DOE's NREL Research Support Facility (RSF)

Location: Golden, Colo.

Owner: U.S. Department of Energy and the National Renewable Energy Laboratory

Principal Use: Headquarters Office

Includes: Data Center

Employees/Occupants: 822

Gross Square Footage: 220,000

Conditioned Space: 220,000 ft<sup>2</sup>

Substantial Completion/Occupancy: June 2010

Occupancy: 100%

National Distinctions/Awards: LEED-NC Platinum, 2011; Sustainable Sites Pilot, AIA COTE Top Ten Green Project, 2011; GreenGov Presidential Award, Green Innovation (RSF Data Center), 2011; McGraw Hill Construction Outstanding Green Building, 2010; American Institute of Steel Construction IDEAS Award, 2011; Design: Build Institute of America, Merit Award, 2011

The world's largest net zero energy building did not happen overnight, but it did start with an ambitious vision. When our team first pursued the design of a new Research Support Facility (RSF) at the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) in 2008, the stipulated objective in the request for proposal (RFP) was an annual energy consumption of 25 kBtu/ft<sup>2</sup> (79 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>).

Rather than just meeting this aggressive requirement, we submitted a plan to deliver what NREL had on their wish list, a building that would use as much energy as it would produce—a net zero design. The idea was we could do this within a typical design-build (DB) schedule and a rigid \$64.3 million cost budget.

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## Award of Engineering Excellence Net Zero Office

Cold Weather Operation of Cooling Towers | Aligning IECC and Standard 90.1  
Great Moments in Building Science | High Performance Air-Distribution Systems



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# ENVELOPE :: SOLAR CONTROL



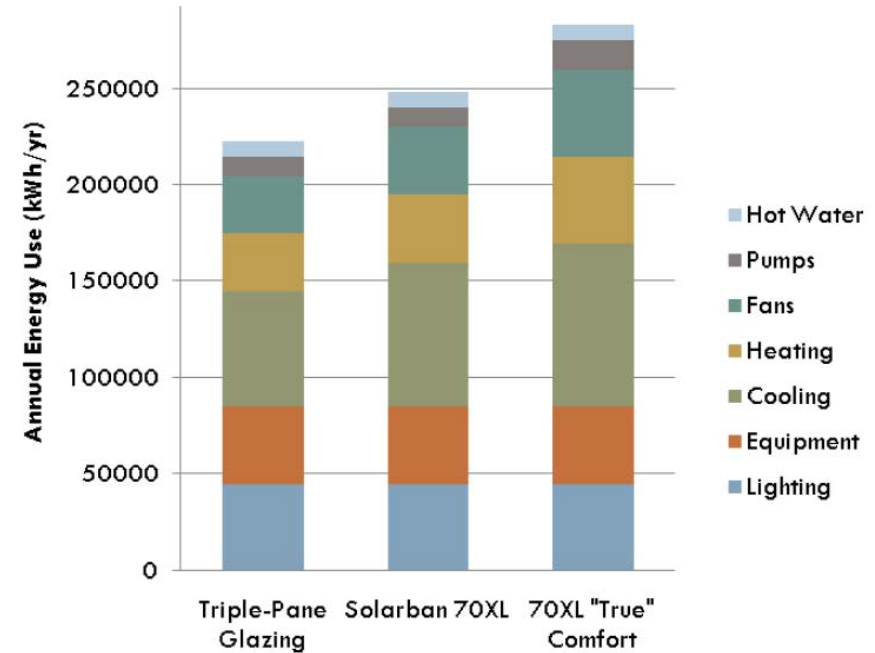
# NATURAL VENTILATION



# DAYLIGHT DESIGN :: SIMPLE SIDELIGHTING



# GLAZING ENERGY IMPACTS



+ \$75,000 Premium for installed glazing

- \$150,000 Simplify heating system

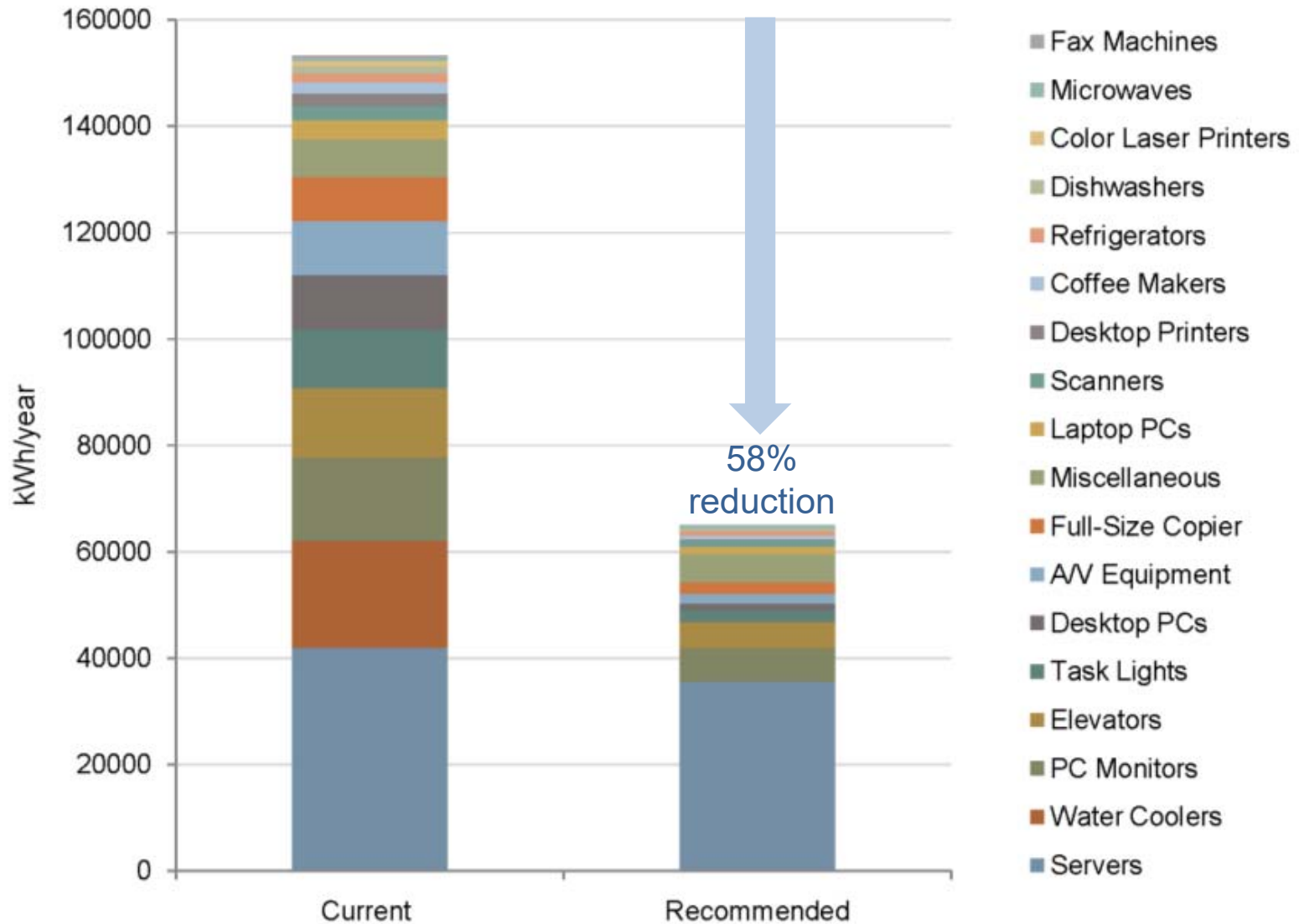
= \$75,000 first cost *savings*

Plus \$300,000 savings in fewer PVs

# HVAC :: CHILLED BEAMS

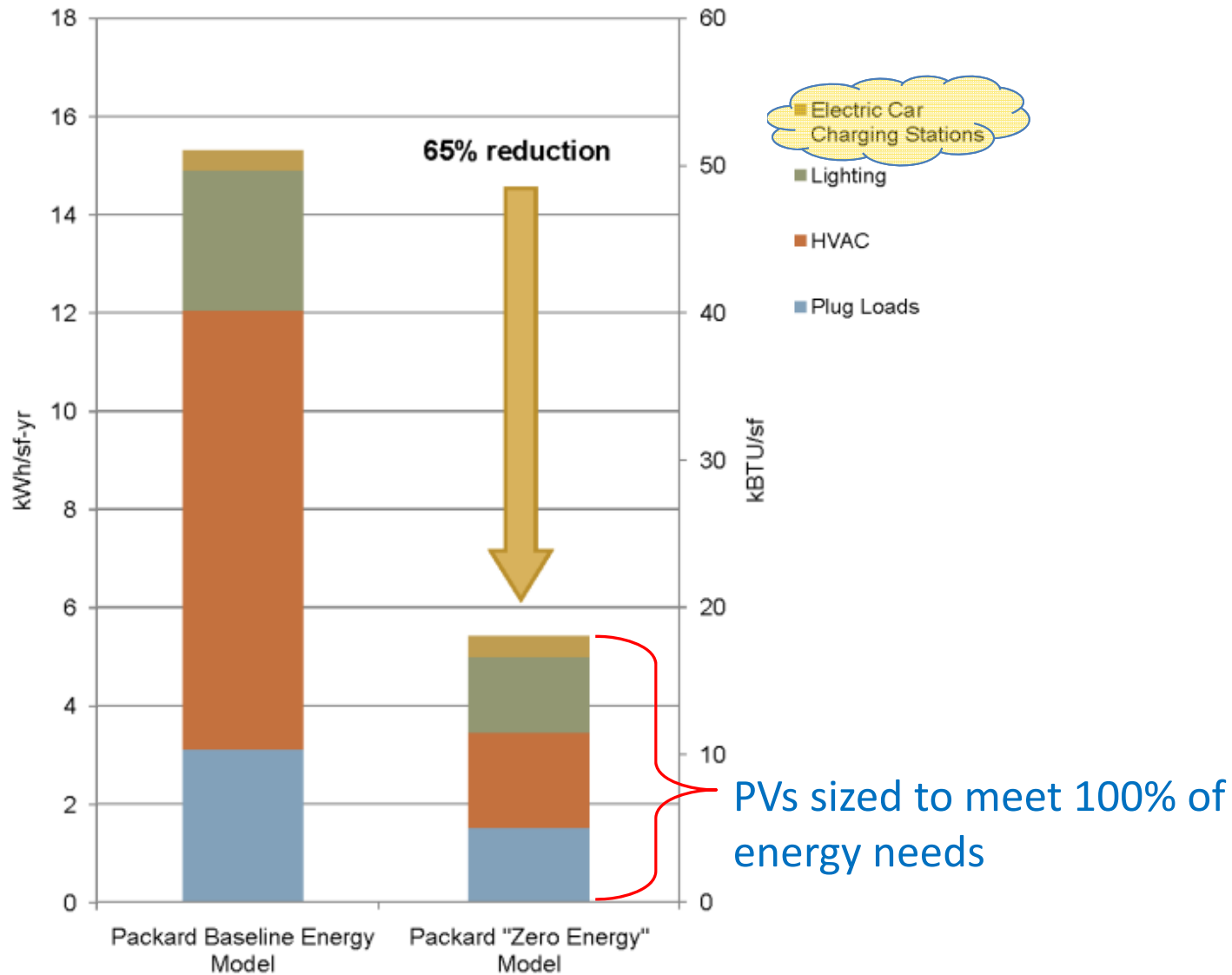


# PLUG LOADS ANNUAL ENERGY CONSUMPTION



More efficient equipment = \$120,000 savings in PV array

# ESTIMATED ANNUAL ENERGY USE





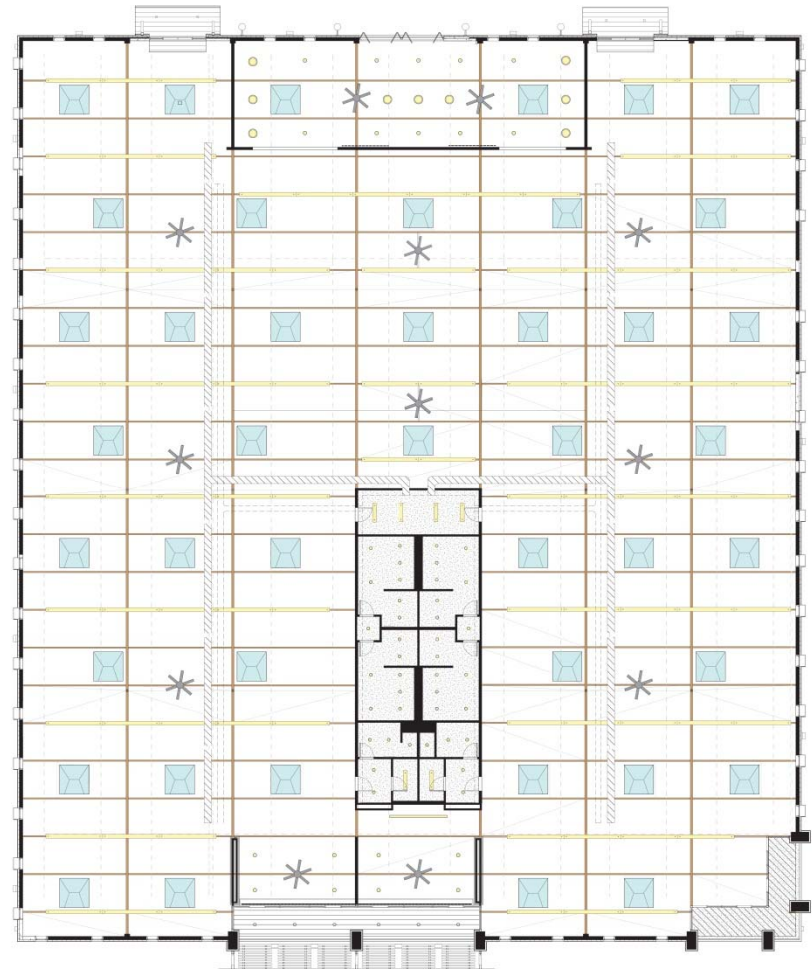
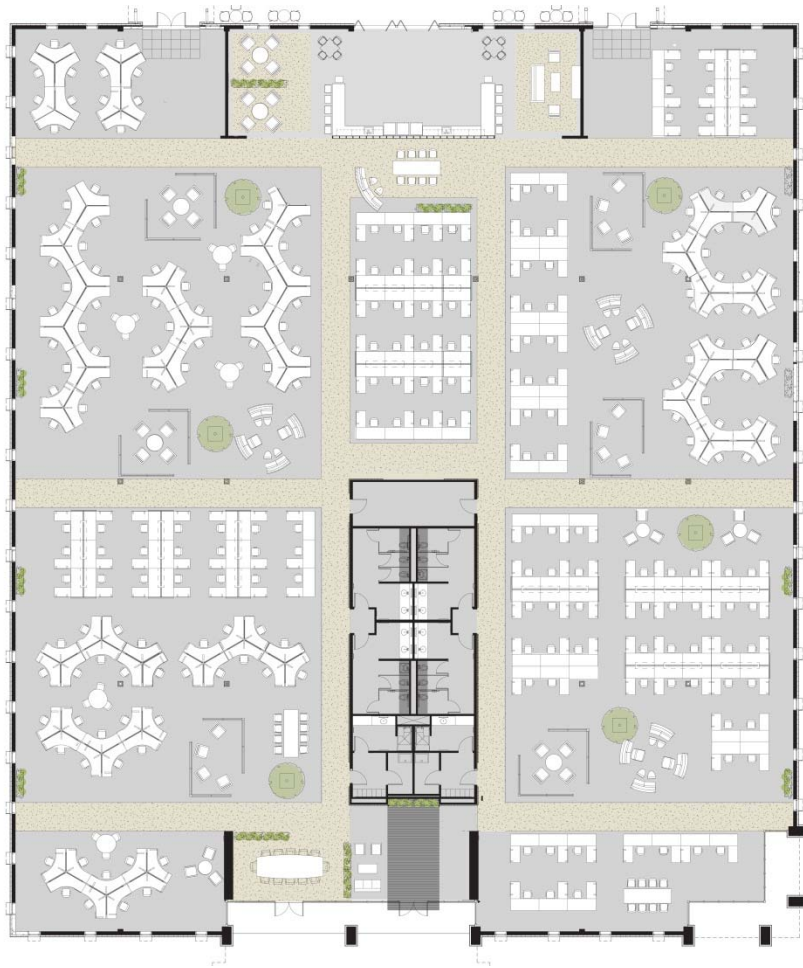
INDIO BUILDING :: RMW ARCHITECTS

# EXISTING CONDITIONS

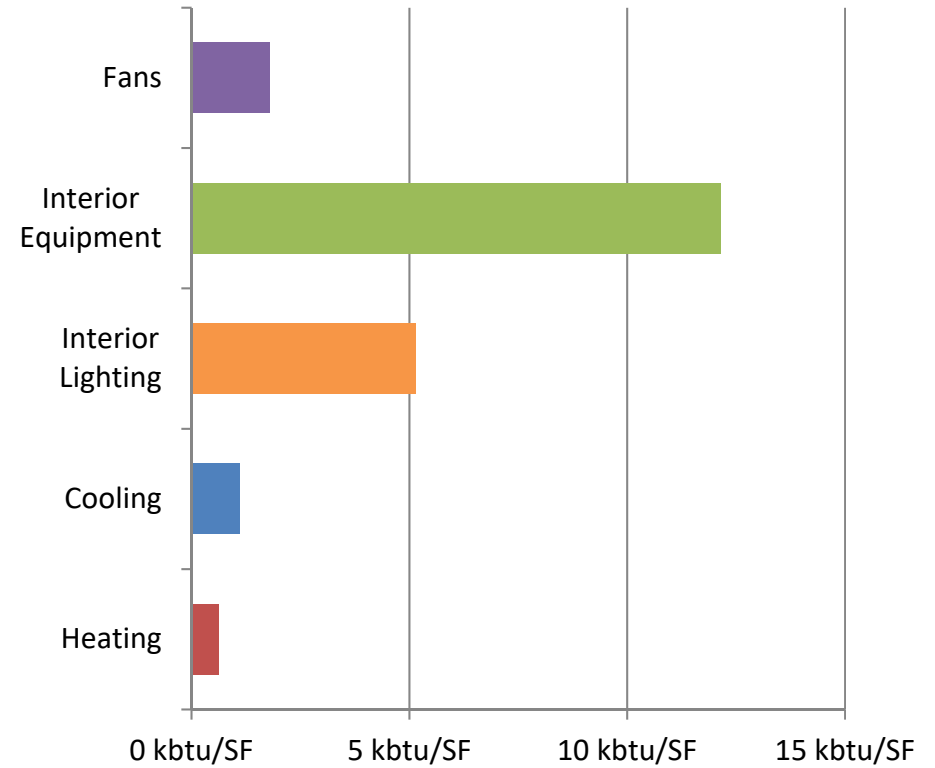
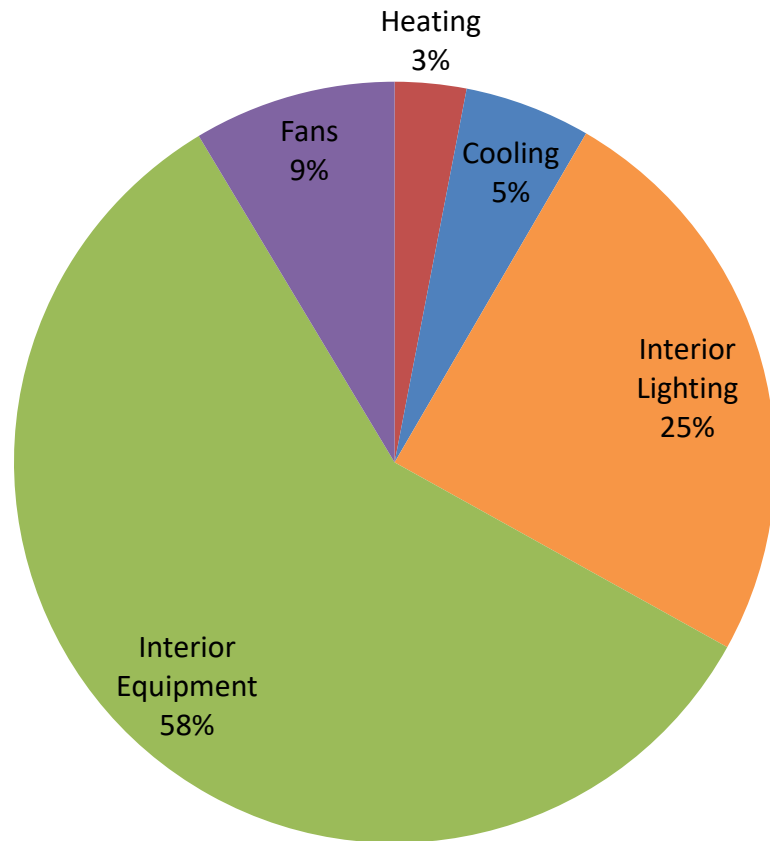


- 30,000 SF square one-story office warehouse circa 1970
- Uninsulated concrete walls, wood roof and single pane windows
- DARK, DINGY, DERELICT and UNRENTABLE!

# FIXED EXISTING FLOORPLATE



# INDIO NET ZERO ENERGY BUDGET



- The Interior Equipment Demand is Based on 1 W/SF of Plug Load
- Annual Energy Use is 22.5 kbtu/SF



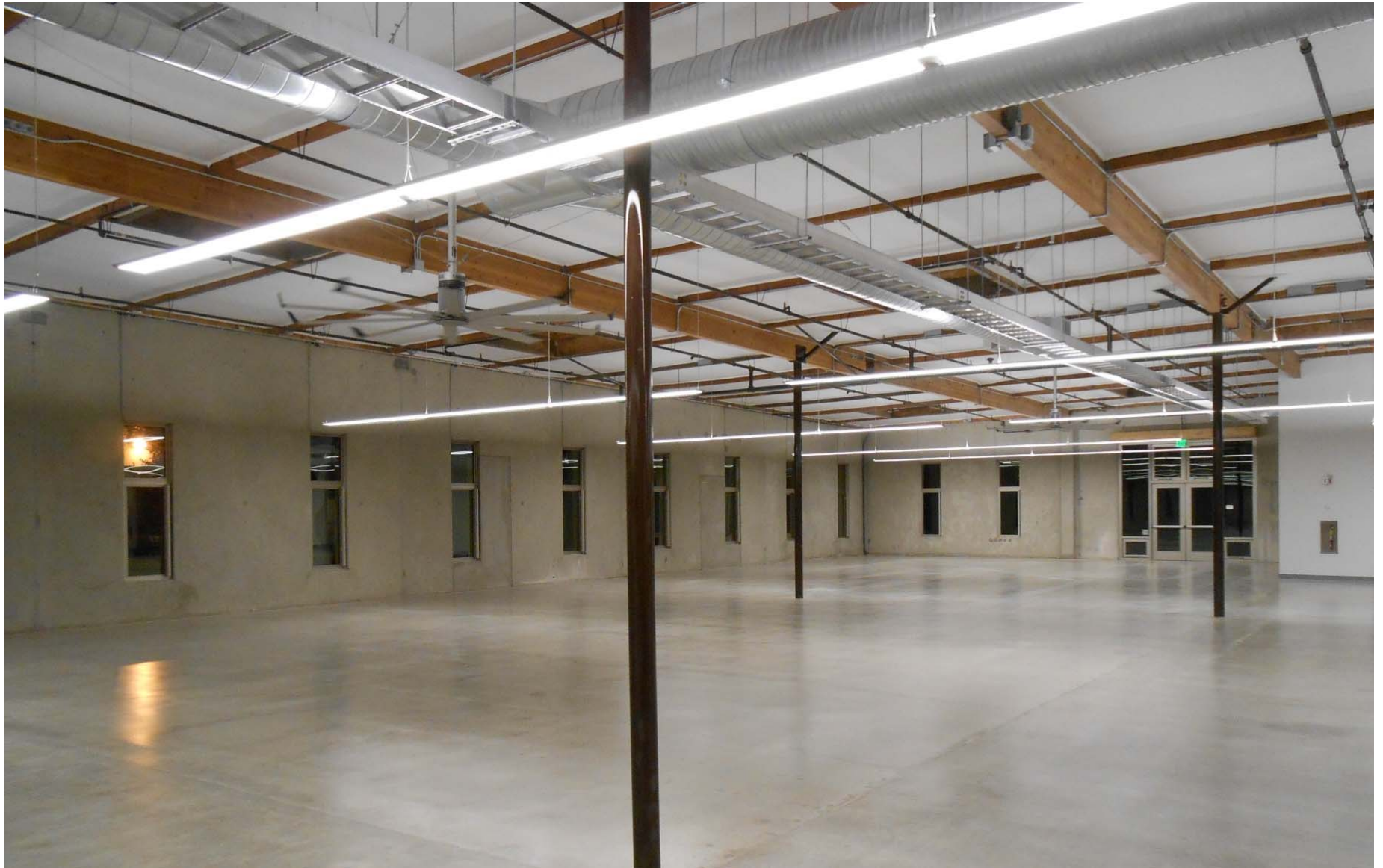
# HIGH PERFORMANCE ENVELOPE



# DAYLIGHTING DESIGN



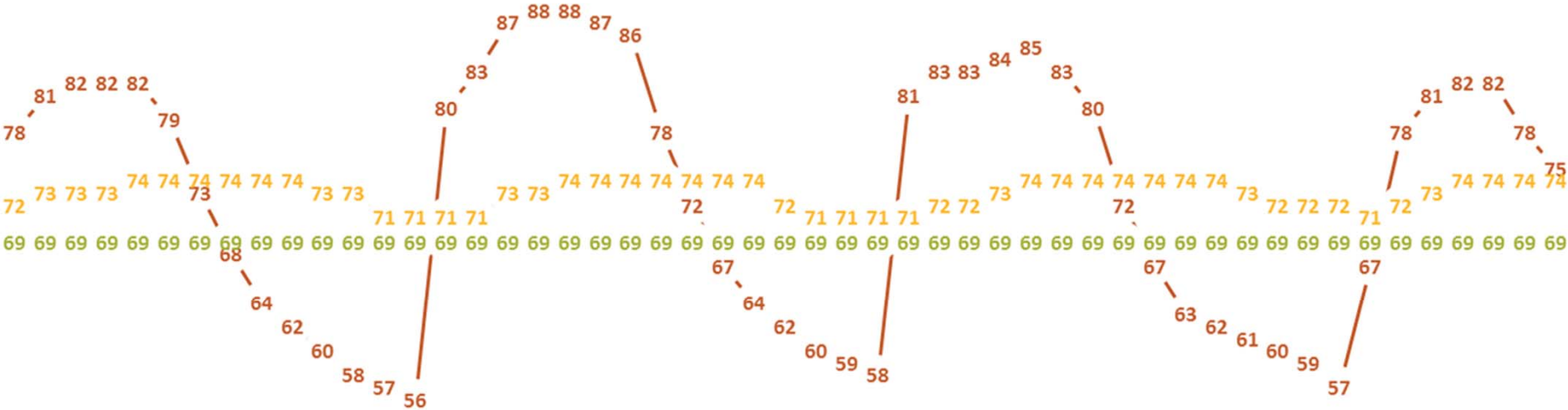
# LIGHTING DESIGN



# PASSIVE THERMAL COMFORT



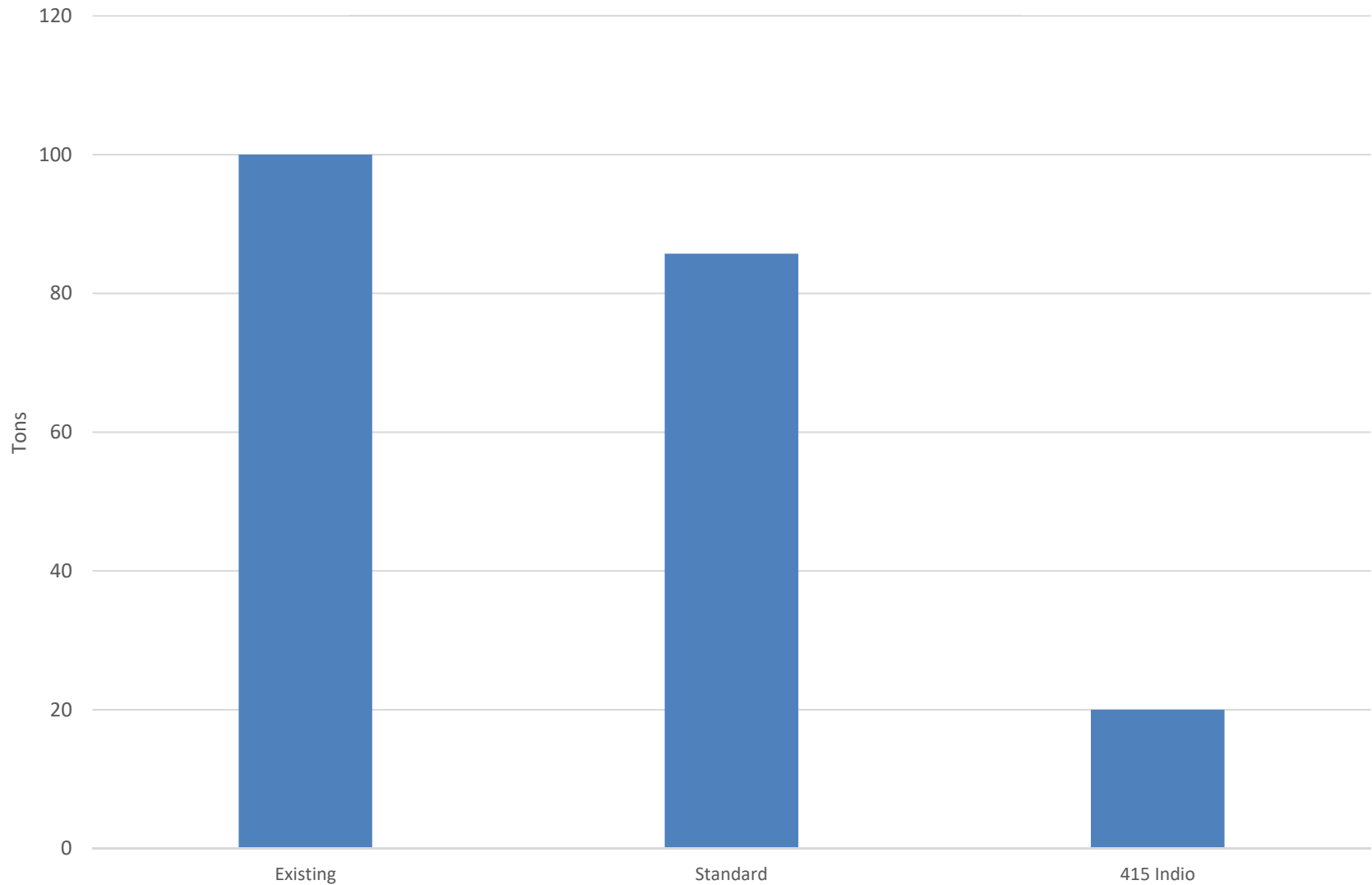
# MEASURING PASSIVE PERFORMANCE



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- Max of OAT
- Max of Work Space Temp
- Max of Thermal Mass Temp

# REDUCED HVAC SIZE

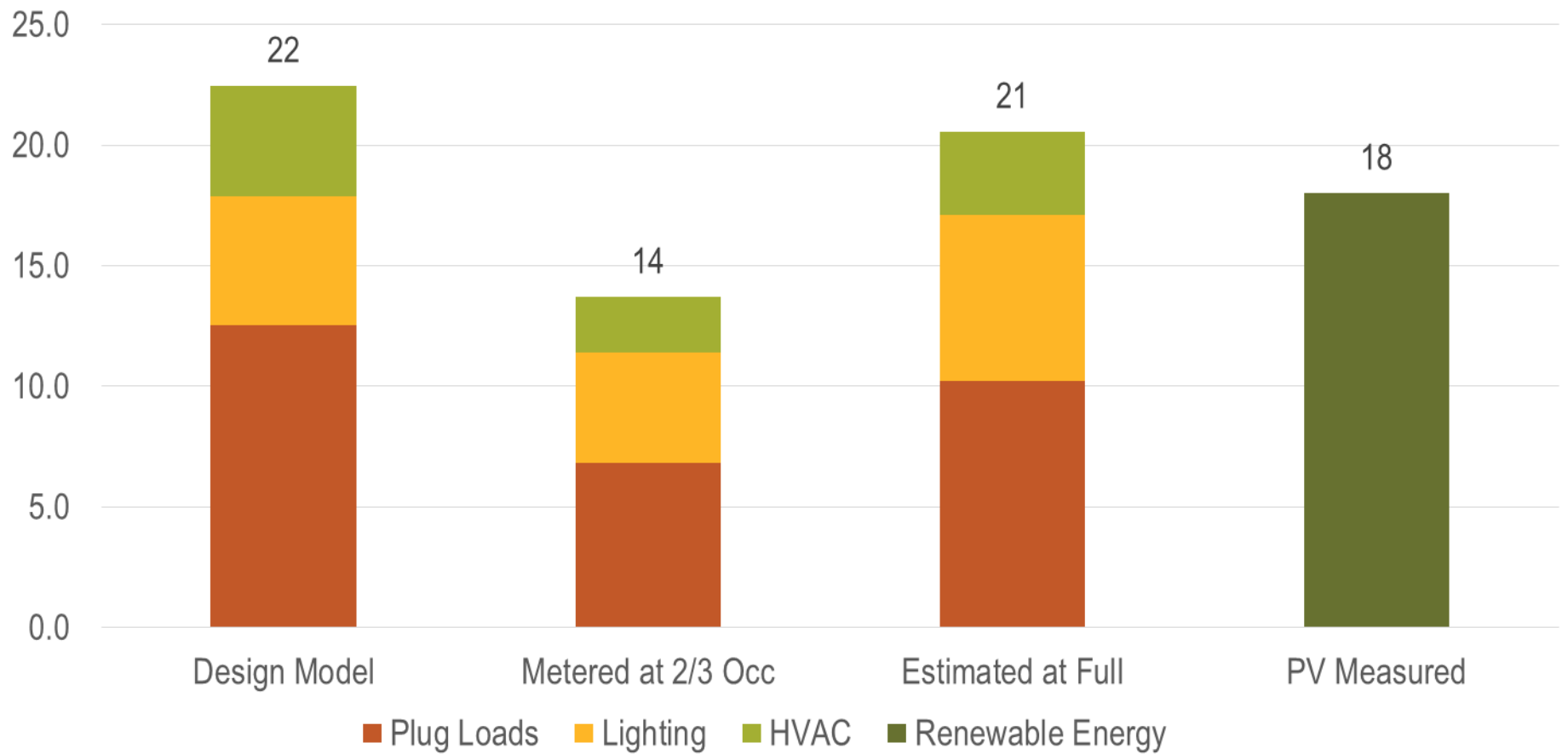


1,200 SF / TON!

# INTEGRATED ROOF PLANNING



# MEASURED ENERGY USE AND PRODUCTION



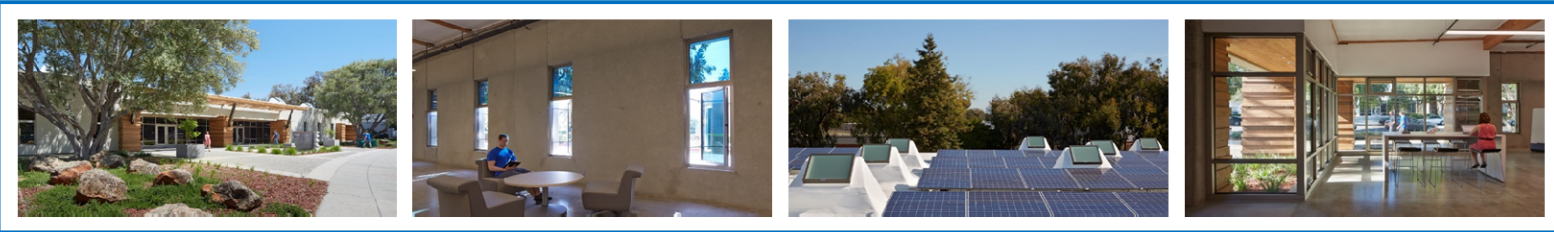
# LESSONS LEARNED



# ACCELERATE

Taking Net Zero Energy from Replication to *Production*

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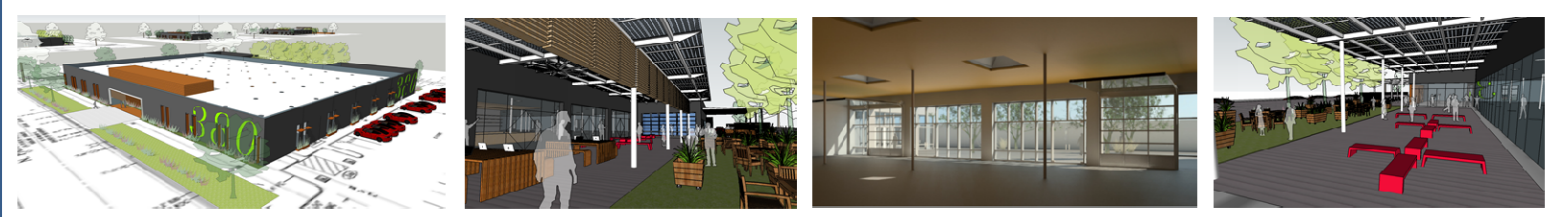
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