

ECO BUILDER



Resources for green
building professionals.

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Are you looking for more cost effective ideas to help your next new construction project can meet the new Stretch Energy Code?

Our home energy raters, who are on the ground helping clients meet the energy code every day in creative and innovative ways, have some tips for increasing the efficiency of your next project.

CET's rater, John Saveson, encourages his clients to choose one of these large impact strategies and pair it with a combination of smaller changes to hit your energy efficiency goals and meet the code.

Higher Impact:

1. Choose a Heat Recovery Ventilator (HRV), which brings in fresh air while saving energy by transferring the heat and moisture from the outgoing air to the incoming air.
2. Install insulated sheathing on the exterior of the building, beneath the siding, to increase the insulation.
3. Install triple paned windows.

Lower Impact:

1. Install 100% energy efficient lighting: LEDs or compact fluorescent.
2. Install an ENERGY STAR washing machine (this can be 2 to 4 HERS index points!)
3. Add more loose blown cellulose into the attic.
4. Install a programmable thermostat.
5. Upgrade the water heater to a more energy efficient model.

Attend one of CET's energy code trainings to receive expert advice and learn the ins and outs of the new stretch energy code.

[Upcoming training:](#)

Wednesday, June 7, 2017

Contact CET for additional trainings in July and beyond.

The Center for EcoTechnology is here to help builders, architects, and HVAC professionals with high performance goals to achieve optimum energy efficiency in their residential new construction or full renovation projects.

Call CET for assistance with meeting energy code requirements, earning utility incentives of up to \$4,500 per home, or achieving a green building certification!

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News & Notes



PROJECT HIGHLIGHT

Recently CET's Mark Newey has been working with Valley CDC on the redevelopment of the former Northampton lumber yard- [learn more!](#)



CASE STUDY

Learn about our work with The Community Builders to help them meet their efficiency goals for their [Leyden Woods](#) project.



STRAW BALE HOUSE

A couple of years ago, CET conducted the HERS ratings for a [straw bale house](#) with Yeoman Design Build. Learn more about the process!

Resources



ENERGY CODE TRAINING

Do you have questions about the new stretch energy code?

Get up to speed and attend our [upcoming training](#) on June

7th!



LEED CERTIFICATION

CET's home energy raters are experts in [LEED certification](#) and can help your project meet it's goals and get certified today!



COMMERCIAL TESTING

CET's building scientists can perform diagnostic testing for both your residential and [commercial projects](#).

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