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Construction and demolition waste management

Possible 2 points

Intent

To reduce construction and demolition waste disposed of in landfills and incineration facilities by recovering, reusing, and recycling materials.

Requirements

Recycle and/or salvage nonhazardous construction and demolition materials. Calculations can be by weight or volume but must be consistent throughout.

Exclude excavated soil, land-clearing debris from calculations. Include materials destined for alternative daily cover (ADC) in the calculations as waste (not diversion). Include wood waste converted to fuel (bio-fuel) in the calculations; other types of waste-to-energy are not considered diversion for this credit.

However, for projects that cannot meet credit requirements using **reuse** and recycling methods, waste-to-energy systems may be considered **waste diversion** if the European Commission Waste Framework Directive 2008/98/EC and Waste Incineration Directive 2000/76/EC are followed and Waste to Energy facilities meet applicable European Committee for Standardization (CEN) EN 303 standards.

Option 1. diversion (1-2 points)

Path 1. divert 50% and three material streams (1 point)

Divert at least 50% of the total construction and demolition material; diverted materials must include at least three material streams.

Path 2. divert 75% and four material streams (2 points)

Divert at least 75% of the total construction and demolition material; diverted materials must include at least four material streams.

OR

Option 2. reduction of total waste material (2 points)

Do not generate more than 2.5 pounds of construction waste per square foot (12.2 kilograms of waste per square meter) of the building's floor area.

SITES-LEED Equivalency

This LEED credit (or a component of this credit) has been established as equivalent to a SITES v2 credit or component. For more information on using the equivalency as a substitution in your LEED or SITES project, see this article and guidance document.

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