



Passive to **POSITIVE**
PASSIVE HOUSE AND LOW IMPACT DESIGN

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Quality and Quantity SINGLE FAMILY PROJECT COMPARISON

EAGLE ROCK

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STRUCTURAL: TLH CONSULTING
MEP: TBD - DESIGN/BUILD
CPHC: PASSIVE TO POSITIVE

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SINGLE FAMILY DEVELOPMENT - 3 BUILDING TYPES ACROSS 17 SITES

PROJECT PRIORITIES:

CONSISTENCY OF CONSTRUCTION ACROSS BUILDING TYPES

Variety of building form aesthetic within standardization

PASSIVE HOUSE INTEGRATION

Passive House consultants included from the beginning

INTEGRATED DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION TEAM

Experienced architect & developer with immediate past project experience

INTEGRATION BONUS!

Low Embodied Carbon, Resilience, Community Creation

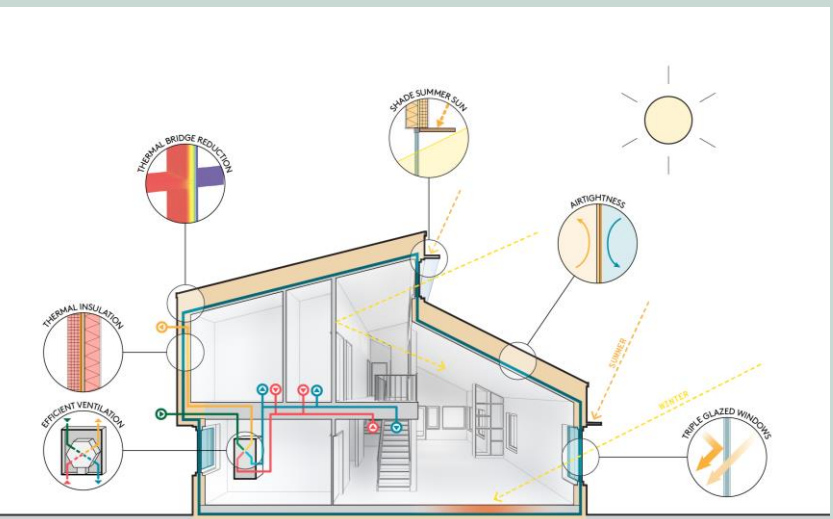


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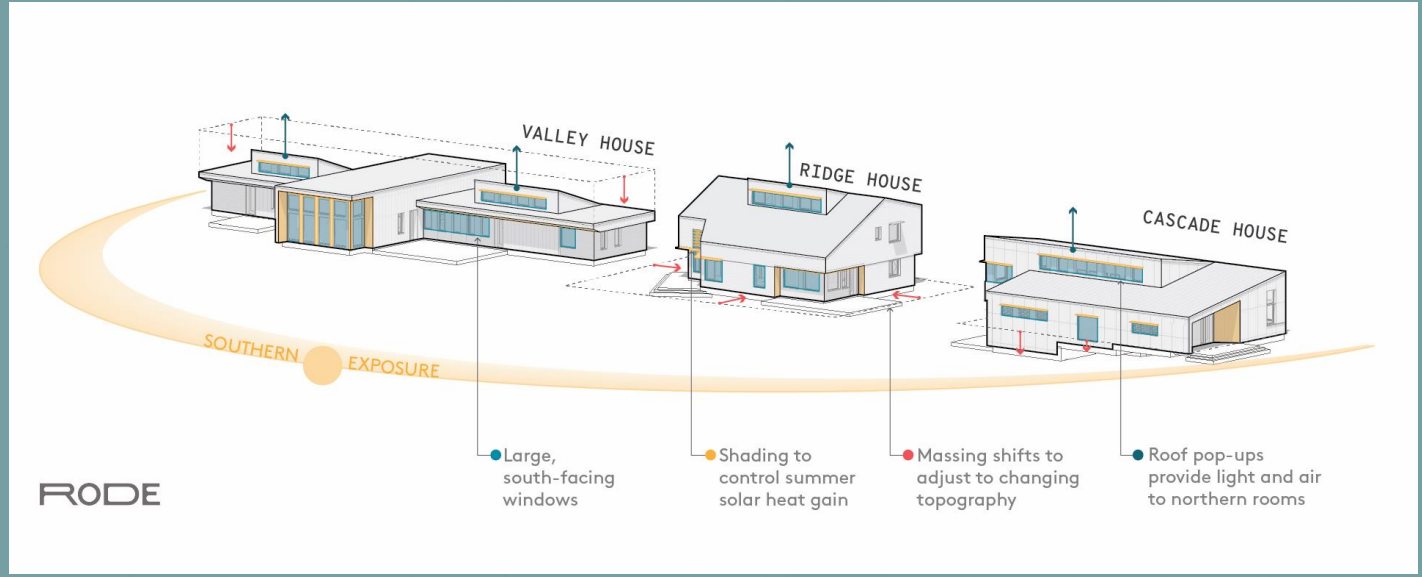
Early CPHC integration starting at site planning

Passive House Experienced Developer & Architectural team

Optimized site orientation determined design for Passive measures



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Site Design Challenges

Variable Landscape per Site

Passive design w/o consistent site shading

Site Orientation

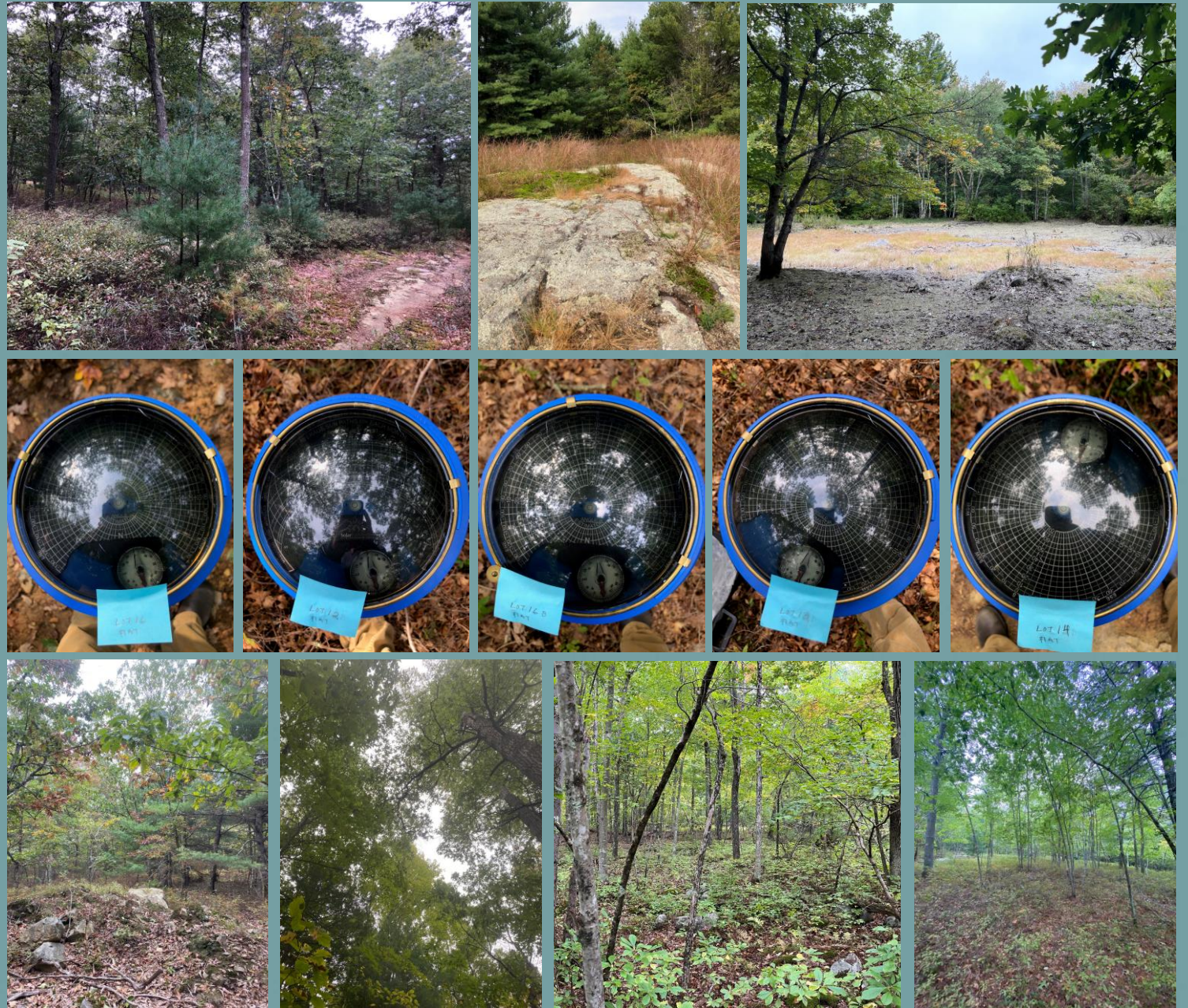
All instances of the building are oriented within 15° of south

Variable Topography per Site

Building forms reflect the 'optimized compromise' between site topo and solar orientation (stack house vs split house)

Glazing Ratios & Shading

Reviews built into Architect's design process



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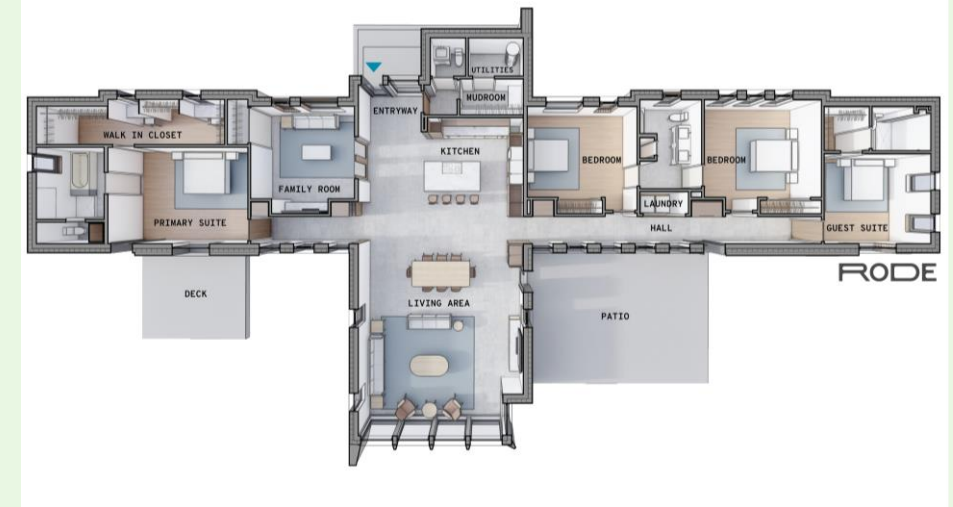
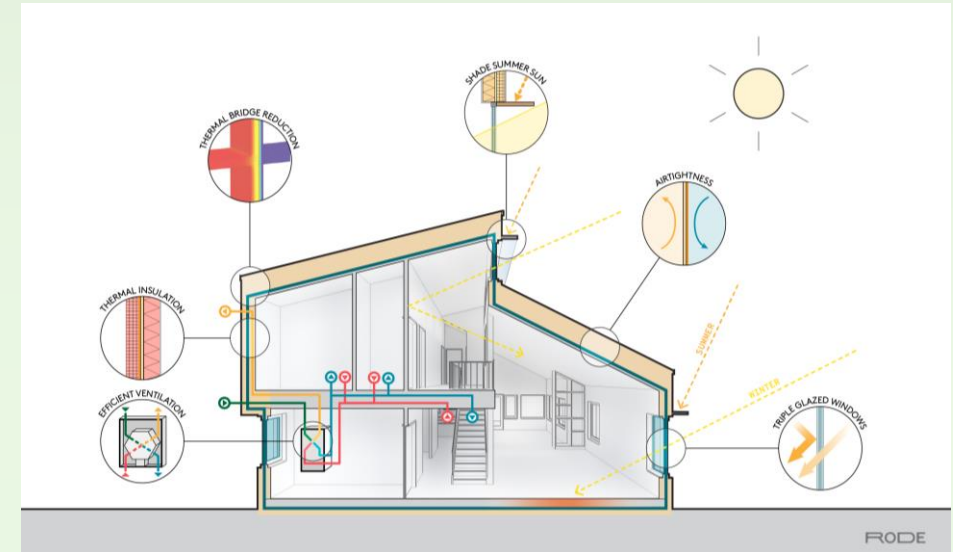
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MODELED ALL THREE HOUSES TO FEASIBILITY LEVEL TO DETERMINE WORST CASE SCENARIO

DESIGN TO THE WORST CASE SCENARIO

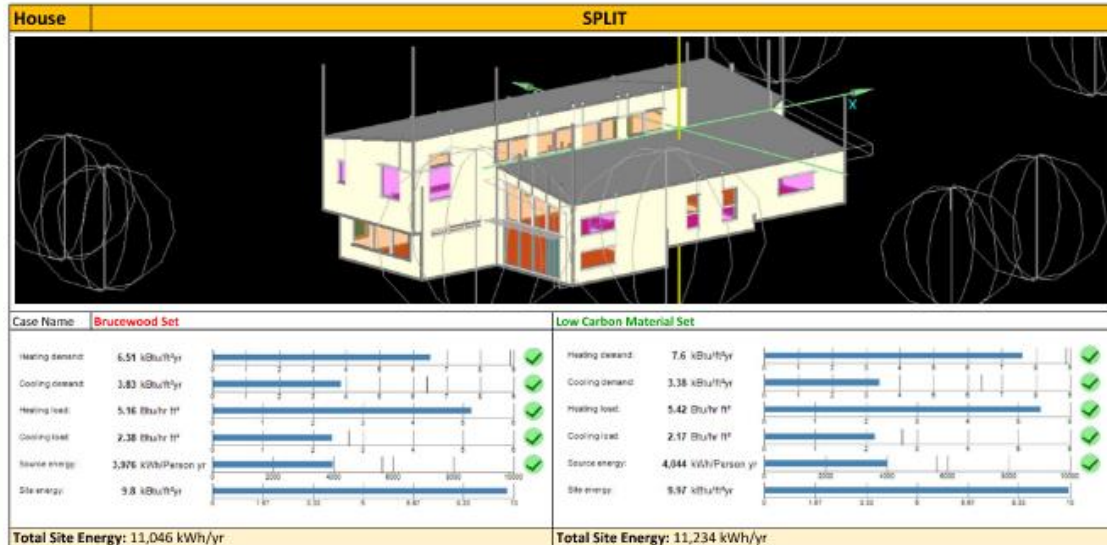
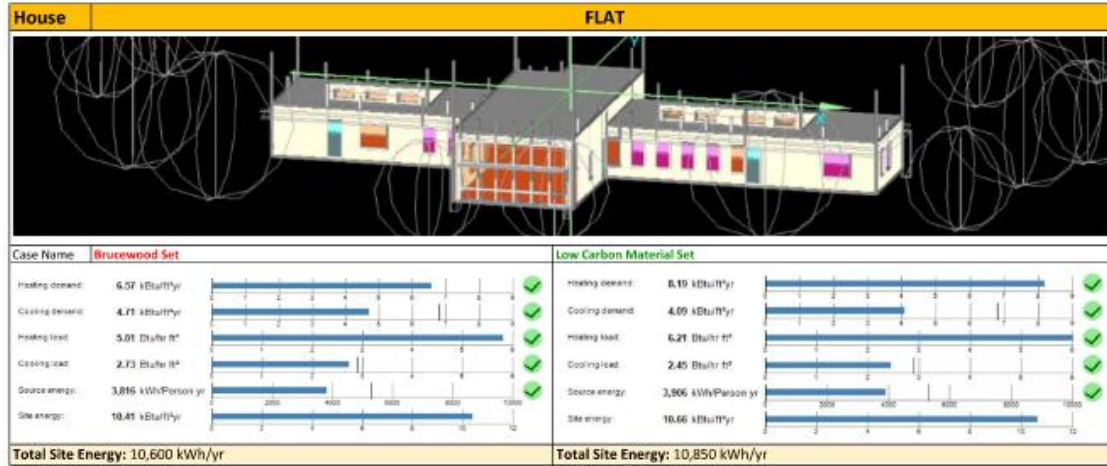
- Long Linear Layout
- Largest iCFA/Occupant
- Large Southern Glass Wall
- Architecturally open interiors – cathedral ceilings
- Hidden systems



ASSEMBLIES OPTIONS AND ANALYSIS: SELECTION

Simplification by designing for the worst case

Criteria: Thermal and Airtight Performance – Constructability – Team Familiarity – Product Availability – Embodied Carbon



Passive House Results

PHIUS Passive House Criteria	Units	Split		Stacked		Flat	
		Target*	Results	Target*	Results	Target*	Results
ICFA	sl	n/a	3,845.50	n/a	3,042.30	n/a	5,473.30
Occupant Quantity	occ	n/a	5	n/a	5	n/a	5
Envelope Area	sl	n/a	11,466.10	n/a	8817.0	n/a	13387.4
Heating demand	kBtu/ft ² yr	8.9	6.32	8.4	7.42	9.2	6.85
Cooling demand	kBtu/ft ² yr	6.4	2.70	6.1	2.81	6.8	7.89
Heating load	Btu/hr.ft ²	6.4	5.60	6.1	5.37	6.7	6.16
Cooling load	Btu/hr.ft ²	2.7	1.83	2.6	1.90	2.9	1.95
Source energy before Solar PV**	kWh/Person.yr	5600.0	4,010	4850.0	3,940	5100.0	3,850
Site energy before Solar PV	kWh/yr		11,135.80		9,276.80		10,182.90

Assemblies

Assembly Type	Effective R Values	Effective R Values	Effective R Values
Walls	R-50	R-50	R-55
Foundation Wall	R-30	n/a	n/a
Soffit	R-60	R-50	n/a
Slab on Grade	R-30	R-30	R-33
Roof	R-60	R-60	R-79
Windows	U-Glass: 0.088, Frame U-Value: 0.176, SHGC: 0.35		
Door	U-Glass: 0.088, Frame U-Value: 0.211, SHGC: 0.35		

System Assumptions

System Type	Location Served and Parameters
Energy Recovery Ventilator	All spaces are ventilated by an ERV with a 80% sensible recovery efficiency and 68% humidity efficiency.
Space Conditioning	Whole building is assumed to be served by a heat pump with placeholder values. The placeholders are the following: COP of 3.2 at 17 degrees and COP of 4.25 at 47 degrees. Cooling COP is 4.79.
Heat Pump Water Heater	The building is currently using a HPWH with the following placeholder values: COP of 3.2 and HPWH-EF of 4.25. The DHW consumption is 6.6 gal/Person/day.
Room Ventilation	Total supply air rate: 143 cfm
	Total exhaust air rate: 143 cfm
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Exhaust Ventilation	No exhaust ventilation; however, all models would still pass with a range hood that has an exhaust volume air flow rate of 150 cfm.
PV	Photovoltaic Array
	All models reflect no PV production.

Envelope Airtightness

Envelope Airtightness at 50 Pa (cfm/sqft)	Value
Envelope Airtightness at 50 Pa (cfm/sqft)	0.06 cfm/sqft

Notes

- * The provided PHIUS targets were created based on the envelope area, ICFA, dwelling units and total bedrooms
- ** These results reflect no PV input

ASSEMBLIES

ROOF OPTIONS

Various roof forms on the project:

- Shed
- Gable
- Dormers
- Flat roof

Attempt to use one roof assembly concept

Low slope vented roof is cost savings that we can leverage.

Roof Option #1 (Joists 24" O.C.): Insulate TJI with wood fibre batt for top chord and NO exterior insulation

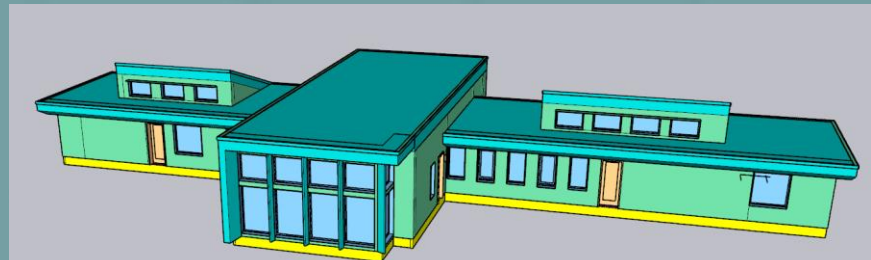
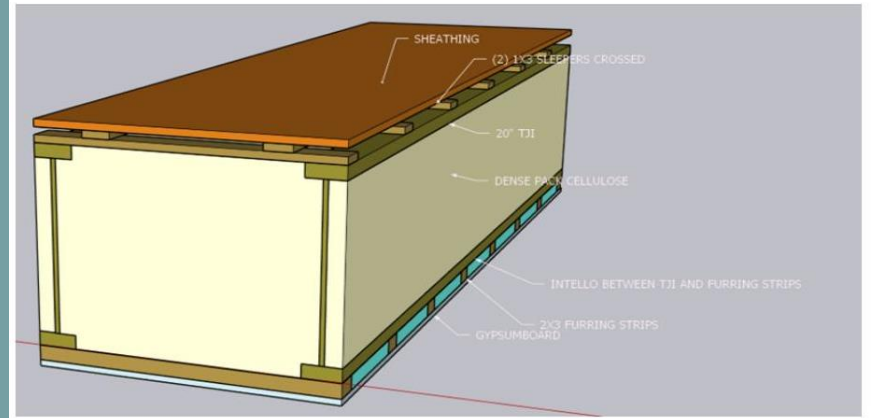
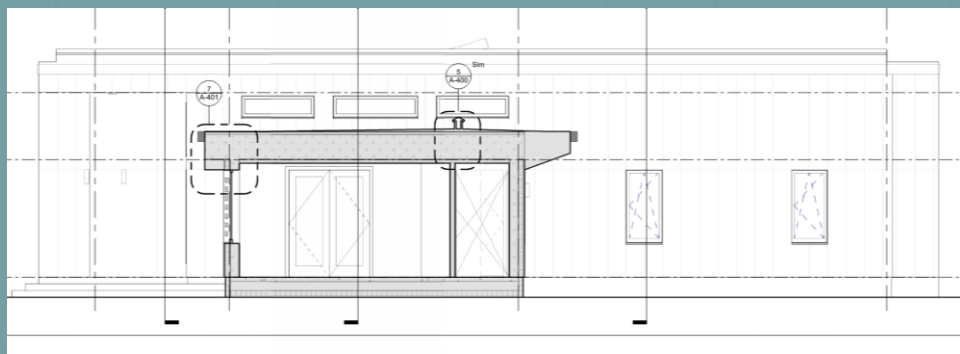
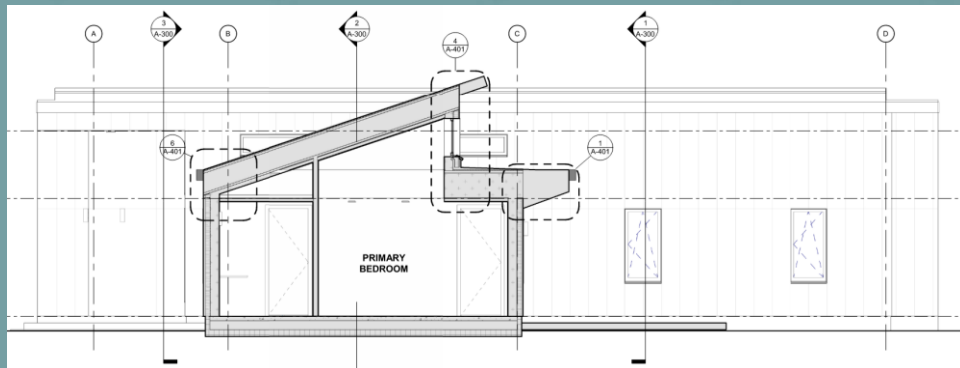
Targets	Wall Assembly	Heating Demand	Cooling Demand	Heating Load	Cooling Load
1	2x8 Stud @ 16 OC w/ Cellulose	9.2	6.8	6.7	2.9
2	2x8 Stud @ 24 OC w/ Cellulose	9.04	4.04	6.55	2.47
3	2x6 Stud @ 16 OC w/ Cellulose	8.92	4.05	6.5	2.46
4	2x6 Stud @ 24 OC w/ Cellulose	8.76	4.06	6.44	2.46
5	2x10 Stud @ 16 OC w/ Cellulose	9.19	4.03	6.61	2.47
6	2x10 Stud @ 24 OC w/ Cellulose	9.01	4.04	6.54	2.47
7	2x12 Stud @ 16 OC w/ Cellulose	9.4	4.02	6.68	2.47
8	2x12 Stud @ 24 OC w/ Cellulose	9.15	4.04	6.6	2.47

Roof Option #2 (Joists 24" O.C.): Insulate a portion of the TJI with batt and add exterior insulation

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1	2x8 Stud @ 16 OC w/ Cellulose	9.2	6.8	6.7	2.9
2	2x8 Stud @ 24 OC w/ Cellulose	9.02	4.04	6.55	2.47
3	2x6 Stud @ 16 OC w/ Cellulose	8.83	4.05	6.47	2.46
4	2x6 Stud @ 24 OC w/ Cellulose	8.74	4.06	6.43	2.46
5	2x10 Stud @ 16 OC w/ Cellulose	9.17	4.04	6.6	2.47
6	2x10 Stud @ 24 OC w/ Cellulose	8.99	4.04	6.53	2.47
7	2x12 Stud @ 16 OC w/ Cellulose	9.38	4.03	6.69	2.47
8	2x12 Stud @ 24 OC w/ Cellulose	9.13	4.04	6.59	2.47

Roof Option #3 (Joists 24" O.C.): Insulate entire TJI cavity with Dense cellulose and thicker sleeper

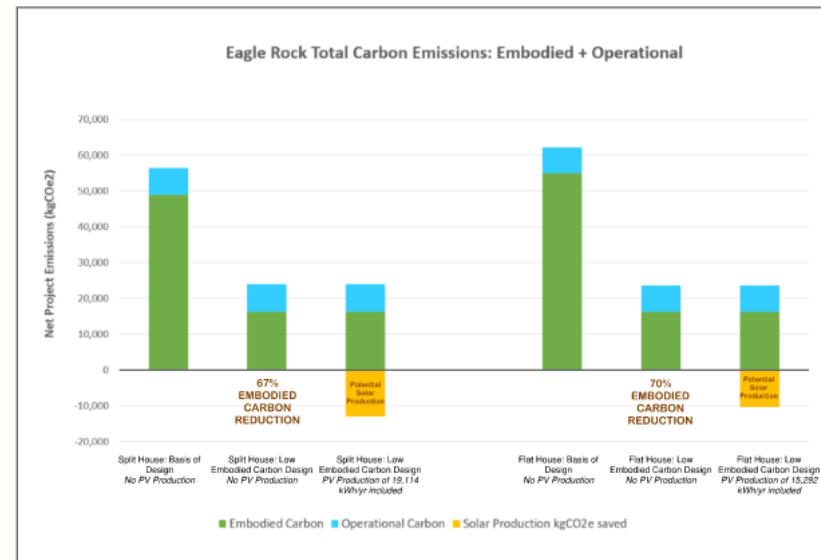
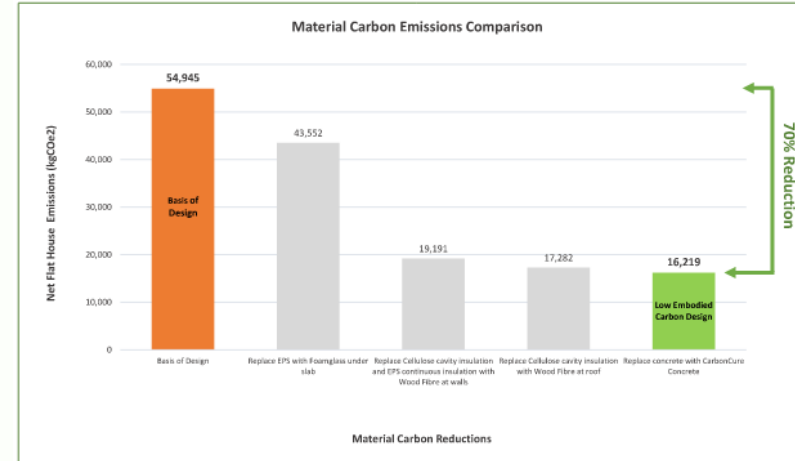
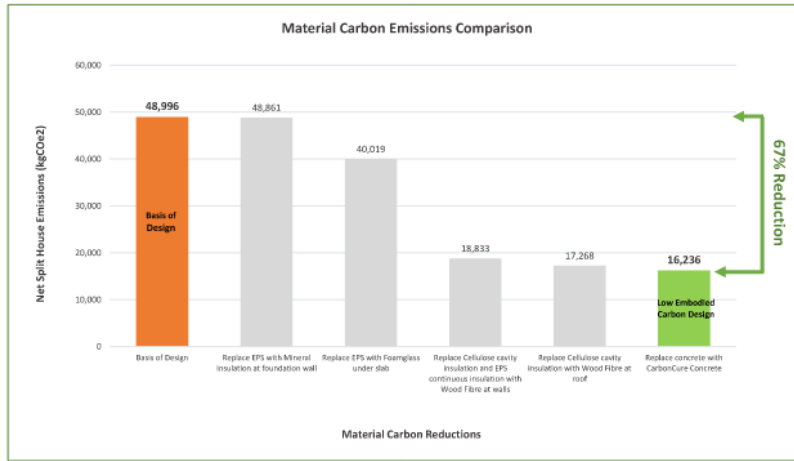
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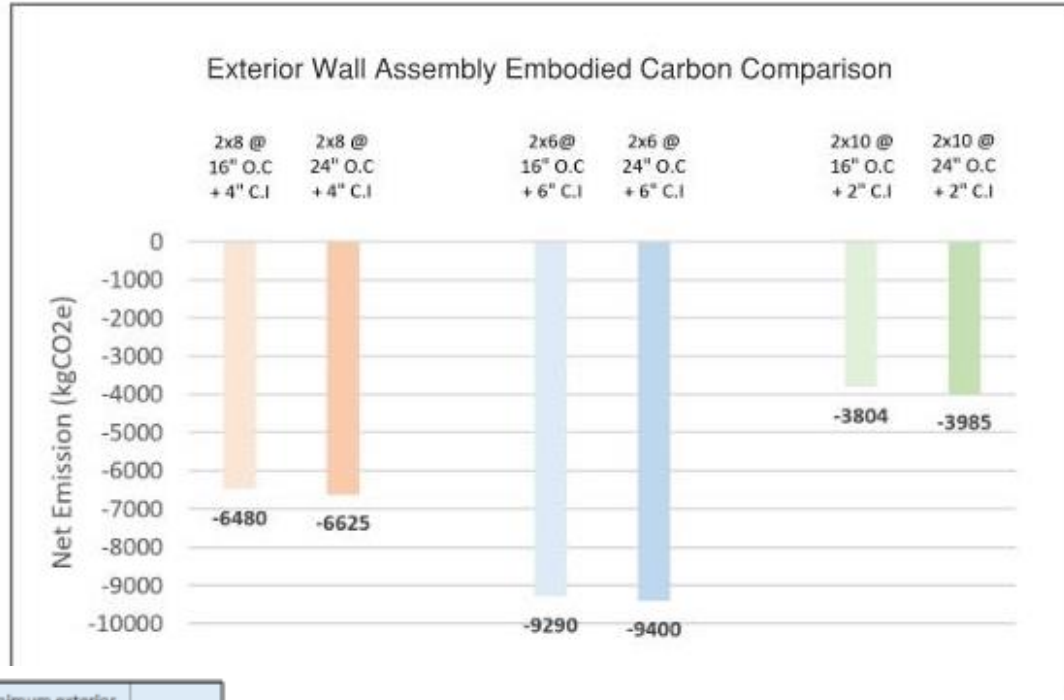
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Wall Assembly	Minimum exterior insulation needed to Pass PHIUS (inches)	Total Wall R-Value
1 2x8 Stud @ 16 OC w/ Cellulose	4	38.485
2 2x8 Stud @ 24 OC w/ Cellulose	4	39.529
3 2x6 Stud @ 16 OC w/ Cellulose	6	40.207
4 2x6 Stud @ 24 OC w/ Cellulose	6	40.961
5 2x10 Stud @ 16 OC w/ Cellulose	2	37.294
6 2x10 Stud @ 24 OC w/ Cellulose	2	38.712

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Guidance on Embodied Carbon Reduction: Concrete

Executive Summary

The following memo outlines Passive to Positive's guidance on reducing the embodied carbon of concrete. The purpose of this document is to provide general guidance and information to support the design and construction teams in achieving a lower concrete carbon footprint.

Much has been written about the urgency of reducing embodied carbon in building materials. Concrete, being a widely used material that is energy intensive to manufacture, bears a significant portion of the total embodied carbon load for buildings. The guidance laid out below outlines various industry-accepted solutions to reduce the embodied carbon of concrete. See the "Additional Resources" section for more in-depth discussions and guidelines on the subject of embodied carbon as it relates to concrete as well as additional details on many of the outlined solutions and sample specification excerpts that can be utilized by design teams.

The terms "Embodied Carbon", "Carbon", "CO₂" and "Global Warming Potential" or "GWP" are generally used interchangeably throughout this document.

Since concrete is often used in a structural capacity, each project team will need to verify the project-specific appropriate extent of use for each of the recommended guidance items.

Recommended Guidance

All guidance noted here shall be reviewed by the design team and/or construction team for project-specific acceptable design criteria prior to implementation.

1 – Design Considerations

The most impactful action the design team can take is to avoid the use of concrete where it is not required or where a low-carbon alternative is available.

1.1: Establish project embodied carbon goals

Embodied carbon goals will provide direction on material use and specifications. These goals should be created early in the project and communicated with the entire team, including design team, construction team, and manufacturers/producers.

1.2: Alternative Assemblies

Consider structural strategies that utilize low-embodied carbon solutions, such as FSC wood, instead of concrete or steel. Save concrete use only for those structural components where it is necessary. This may include utilizing concrete-free approaches for typical assemblies such as a concrete-free 'slab on grade', which is most often utilized on single family project types (see JLC article references in "Additional Resources" section). Finally, utilize precast concrete members wherever possible as these have a lower embodied carbon footprint than site cast concrete due to less transportation of materials and streamlining of the manufacturing process as well as the potential to cure the precast members in a high CO₂ environment, thereby sequestering carbon (see item 3.6 for more information).

1.3: Design to reduce concrete use

Where concrete must be utilized, size the components appropriately to reduce the volume of material used as much as possible and specify the lowest weight concrete possible. This will be best achieved with full support from the Structural Engineering team, as well as comprehensive quality control from

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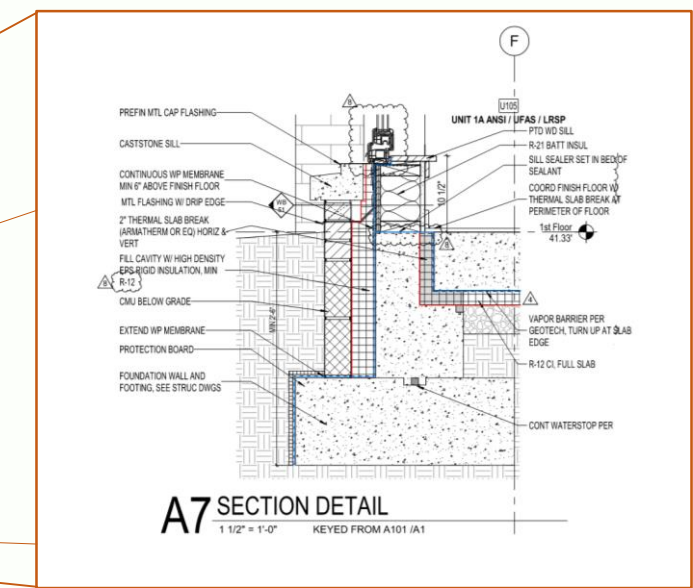
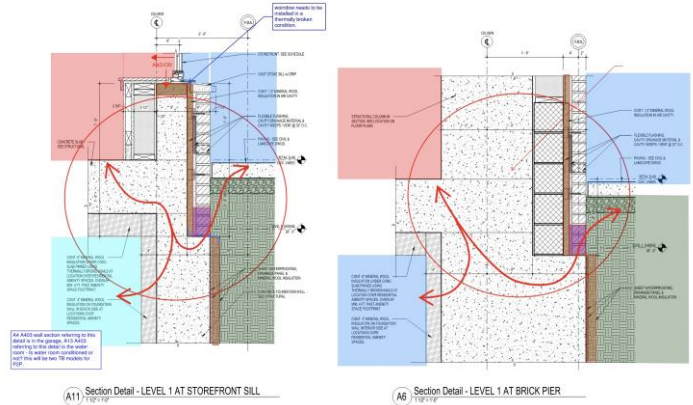
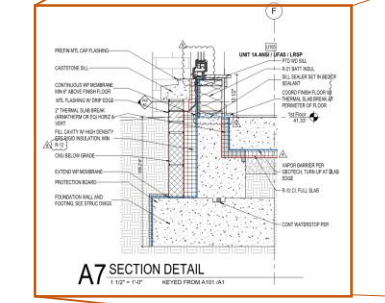
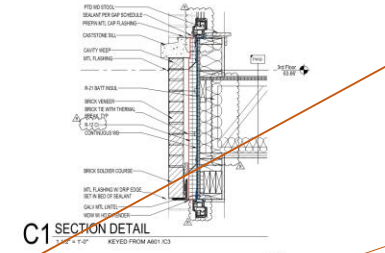
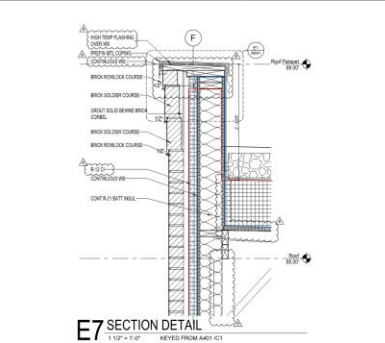
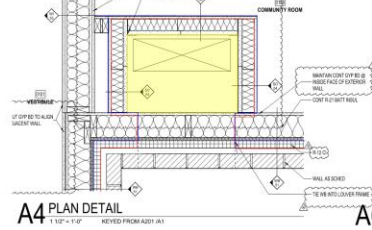
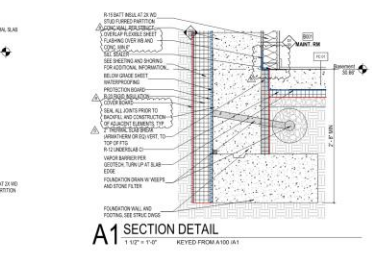
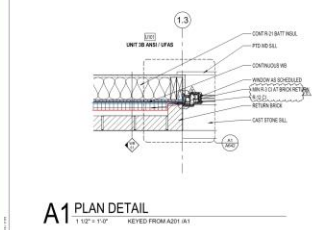
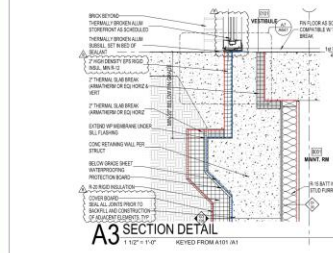
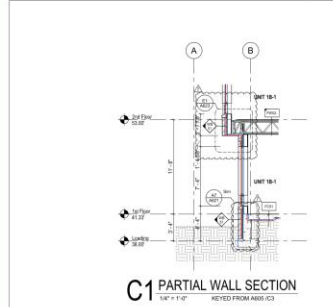
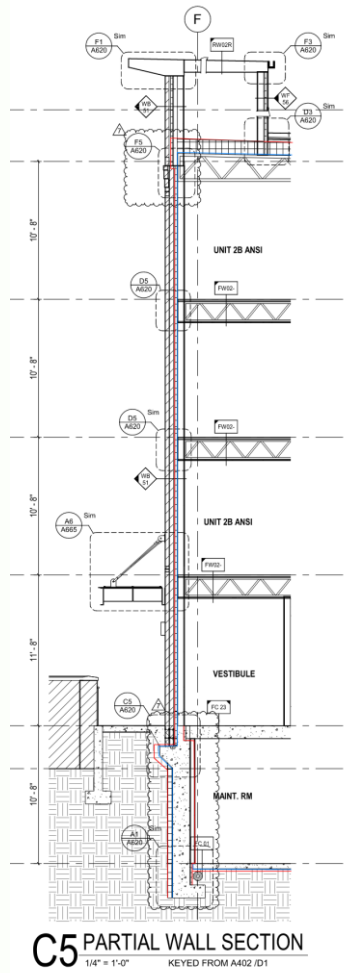
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THERMAL BRIDGING ANALYSIS

Varying house types and topography = Unique conditions for each house => Quick analysis of thermal bridge worst case scenarios.

Design team buy-in meant early conversations with the architectural and structural teams.



RESILIENCE CONCEPTS

- CPHC led conversation – potential for 'Resilience Upgrade' Packages.
- Can be an easy add-on for the developer – 3 solar/battery studies, 17 possible upgrades.



Eagle Rock 'Resiliency Packages'

<p>Basis of Design: Passive Survivability: High Performance Building Envelope & Systems</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Passive House design principles provide a house that will maintain comfort and occupant safety year-round, with minimal energy inputs. - Deep and meaningful energy use reductions. - Robust thermal and airtight envelope, controlled ventilation and use of efficient MEP systems. 	
<p>Package 1: Net Zero</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Solar PV provided on the roof to meet Net Zero Energy target. 	
<p>Package 2: Balanced PV and Energy Storage (Resilience)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Solar PV provided on the roof. - PV power production is balanced between everyday use and battery storage. - Includes critical loads review for storage system sizing. 	
<p>Package 3: Full Zero Energy and Resilience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Solar PV provided on the roof to meet Net Zero Energy target. - Additional PV for battery storage. - Includes critical loads review for storage system sizing. - Includes possible bi-directional EV charging / EV as house battery system. 	

- FLAT (5)
- SPLIT (5)
- STACKED (7)



An aerial photograph of a vast agricultural landscape, showing a grid of fields and roads. The sky is a clear, bright blue, with a prominent sun flare or lens flare effect that creates a bright, diagonal streak of light across the upper portion of the image. The overall tone is bright and optimistic.

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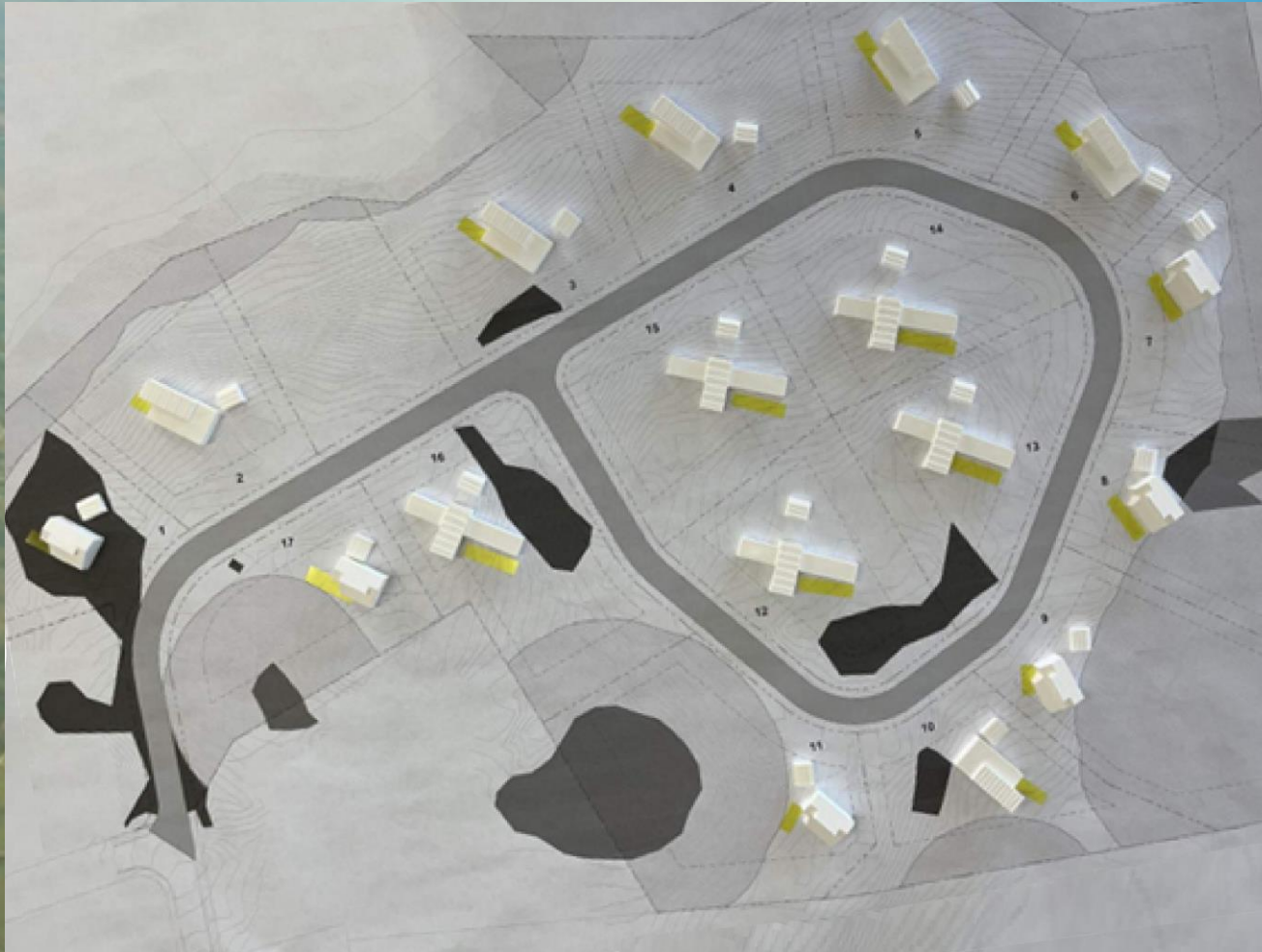
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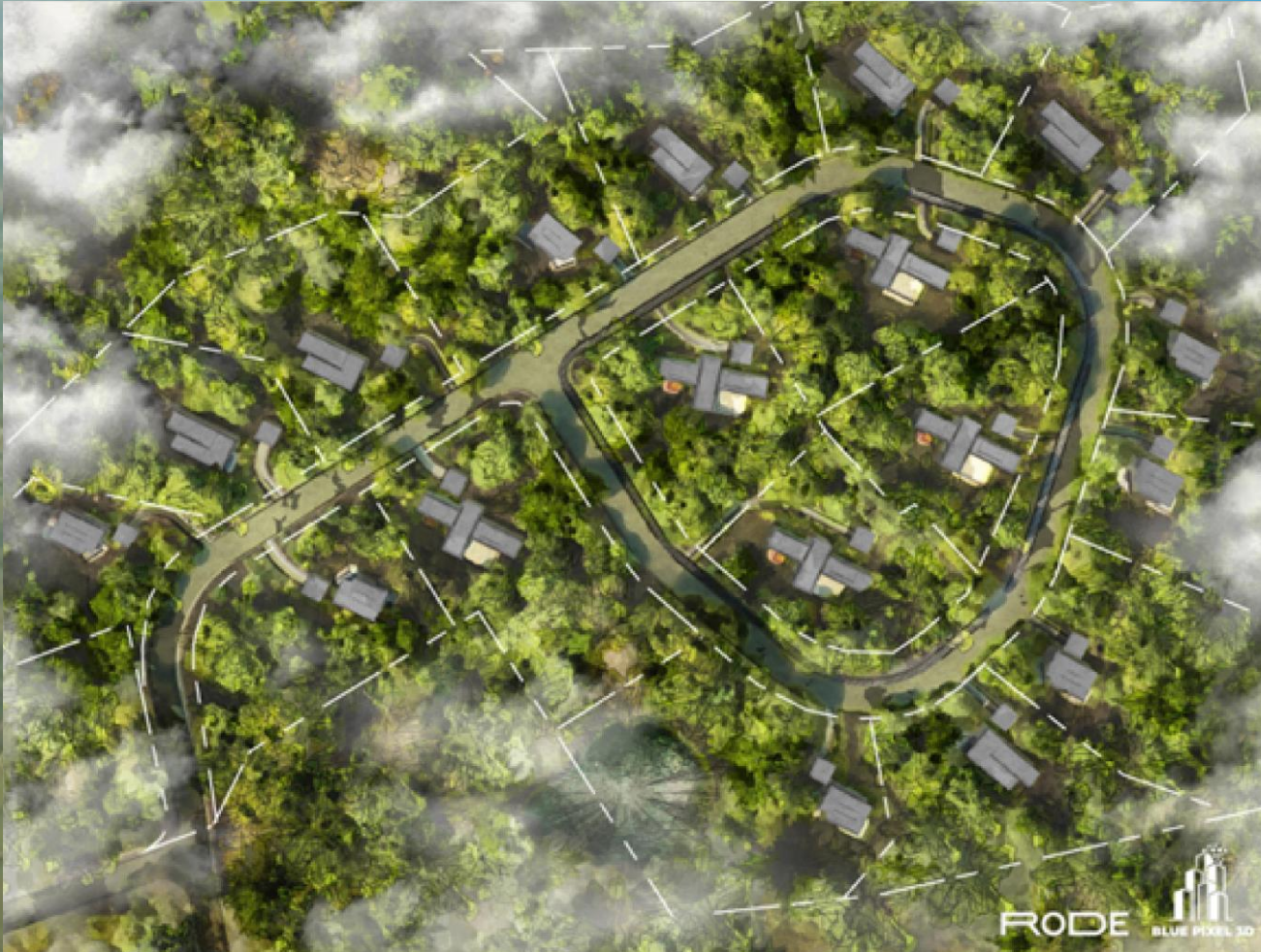
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