

GUIDEBOOK

**FOR MUNICIPALITIES TO
CREATE & IMPLEMENT
DECONSTRUCTION &
BUILDING MATERIAL
REUSE (BMR)
INFRASTRUCTURE**



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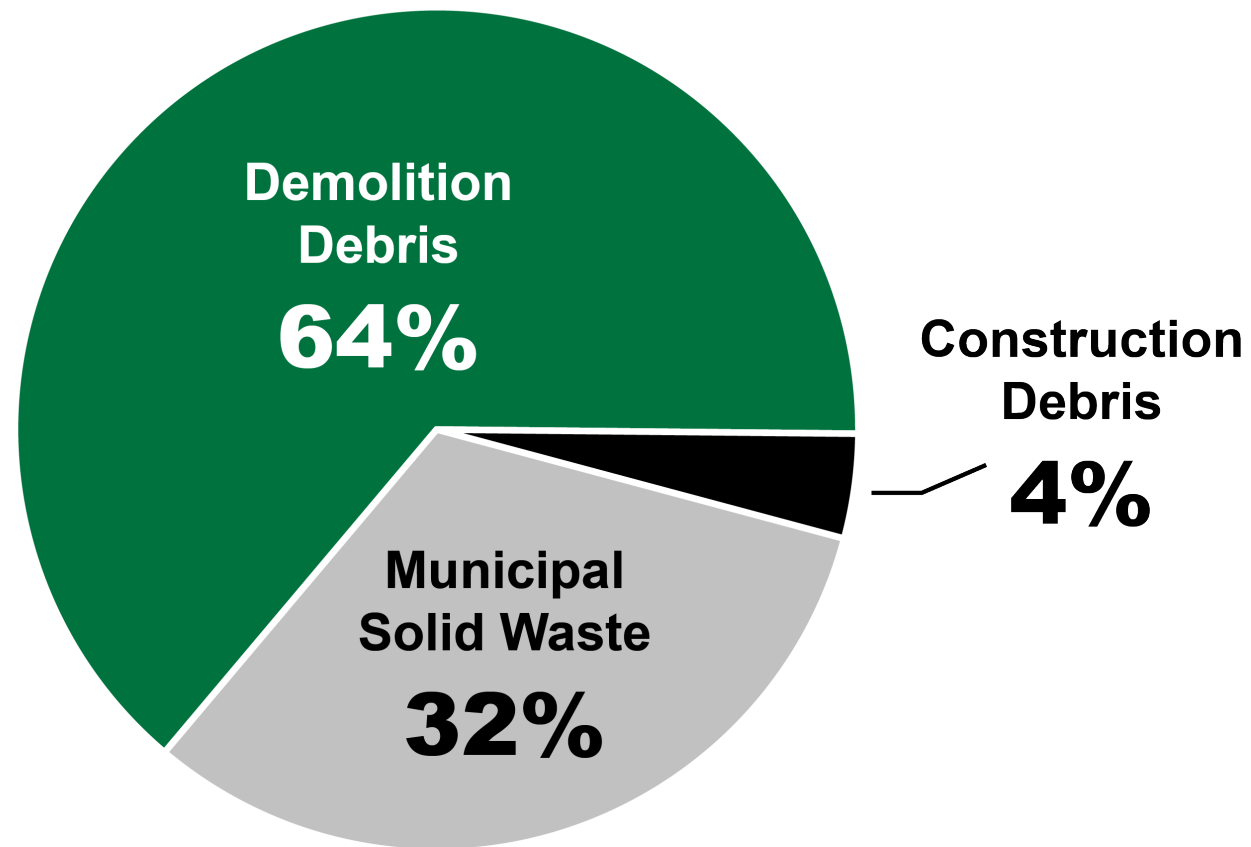
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*“There is no such thing as waste,
only resources in the wrong place.”
(Braungart & McDonough, 2002)*

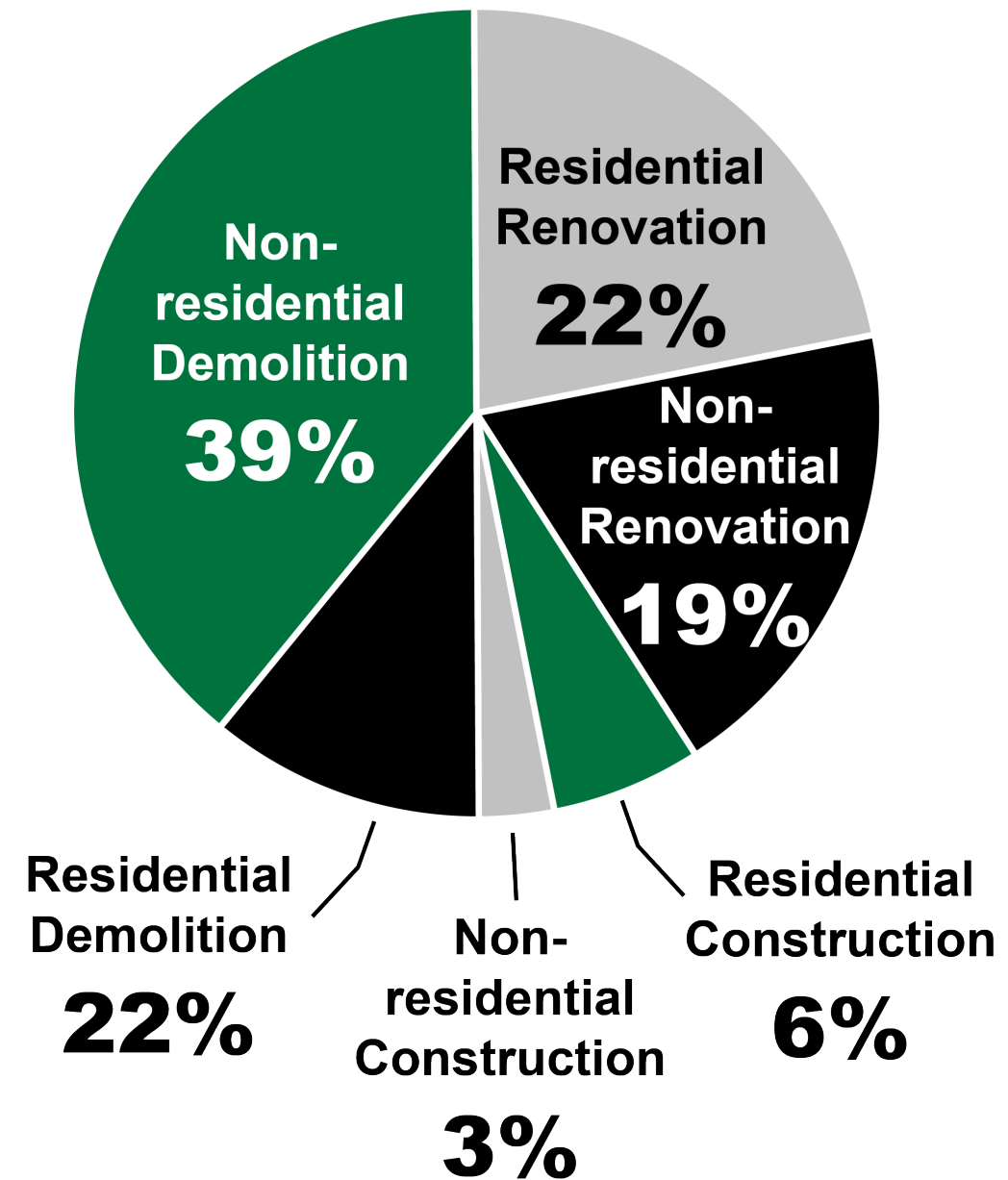


IDENTIFYING THE PROBLEM & RETHINKING THE WASTE HIERARCHY

US Waste Generation by Sector & Activity



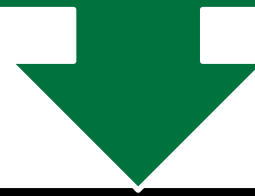
C&D Debris Generated by Each Building Sector



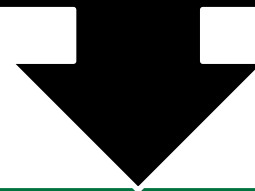


IMPACT OF TAKE / MAKE / WASTE MODEL

Resource extraction: The construction industry is the largest user of natural resources with 101 billion tons of global material extracted annually.



Emissions Creation: The Built Environment generates 40% of annual global CO2 emissions.



Waste Generation and Management: 600 million tons of Construction & Demolition debris were generated in the US in 2018. For comparison, 292.4 million tons of municipal solid waste was generated in 2018.



Between Now and 2060,
Across the world the
equivalent of the City of
Paris will be built every
week.

CONSTRUCTION GROWTH PROJECTIONS

Over the next
40 years total
building stock
is estimated to
double, while
nearly 1/3 of our
present building
stock will come
down.

We will consume three
planet's worth of resources
by 2050



THE CONSTRUCTION

WASTE STREAM

An FCRBE study found only **1%** of building items were reused. This = economic loss & high cost.

Heavies account for most of this, **67.5%** is concrete, and **17.8 IS ASPHALT**

Annual construction waste is expected to reach **2.2 Billion TONS** globally by 2025

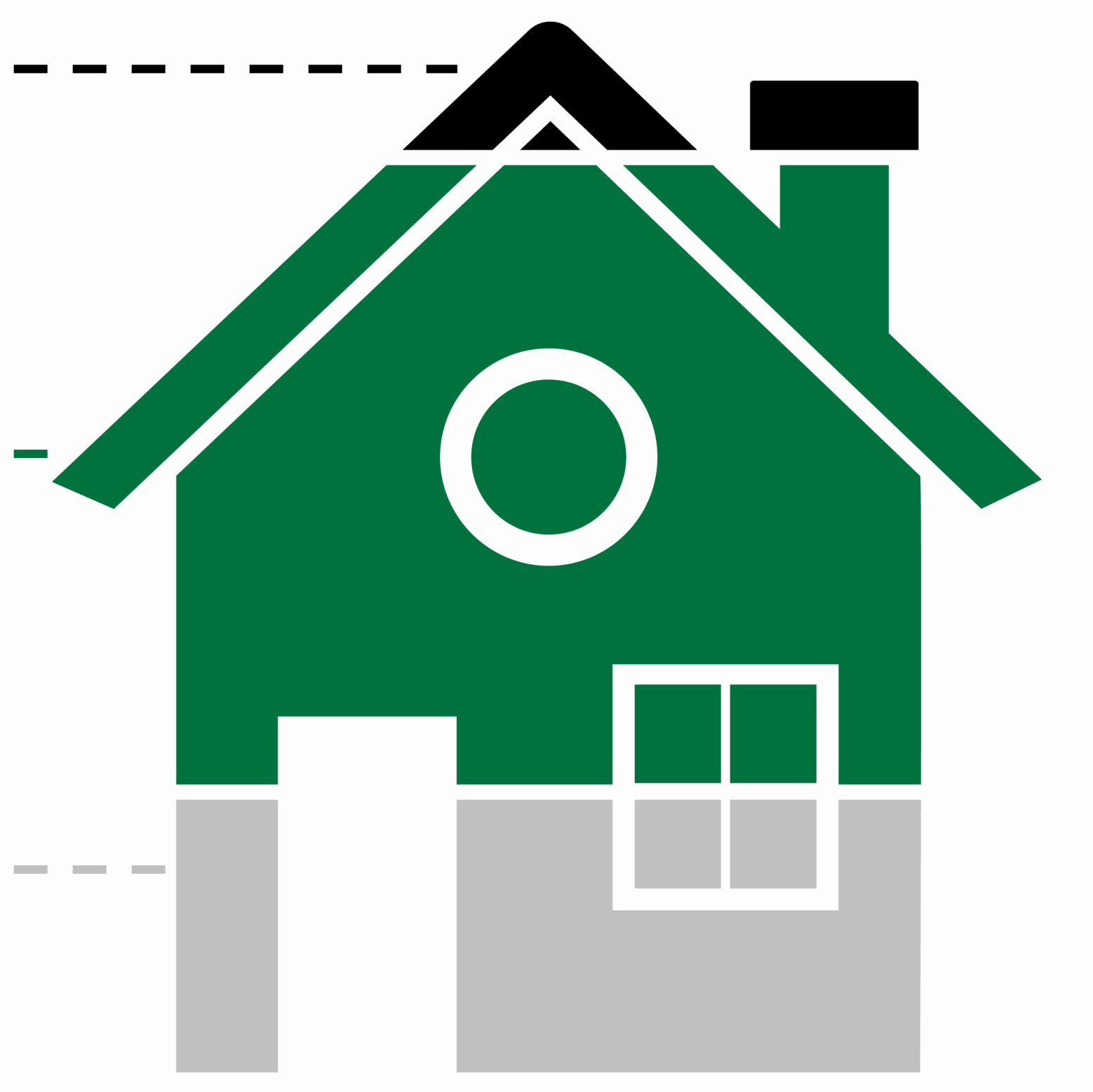


THERE IS A TREMENDOUS OPPORTUNITY TO CAPTURE VALUE

5-15%
OF MATERIALS CANNOT BE REUSED OR RECYCLED

UP TO 70%
OF MATERIALS CAN BE RECYCLED

UP TO 25%
OF MATERIALS CAN BE REUSED

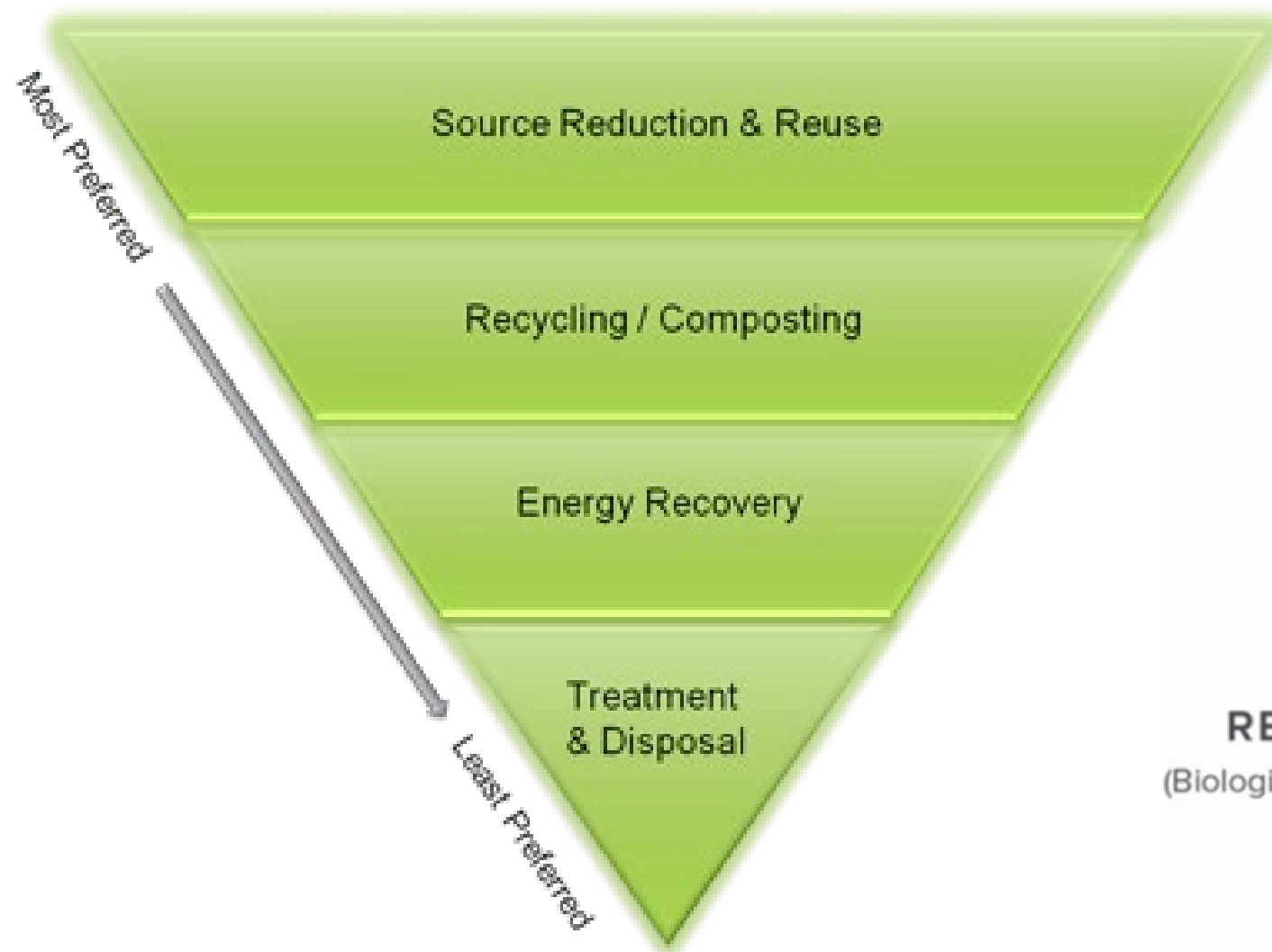


Credit: Delta Institute (2018), delta-institute.org/publication/deconstruction-go-guide

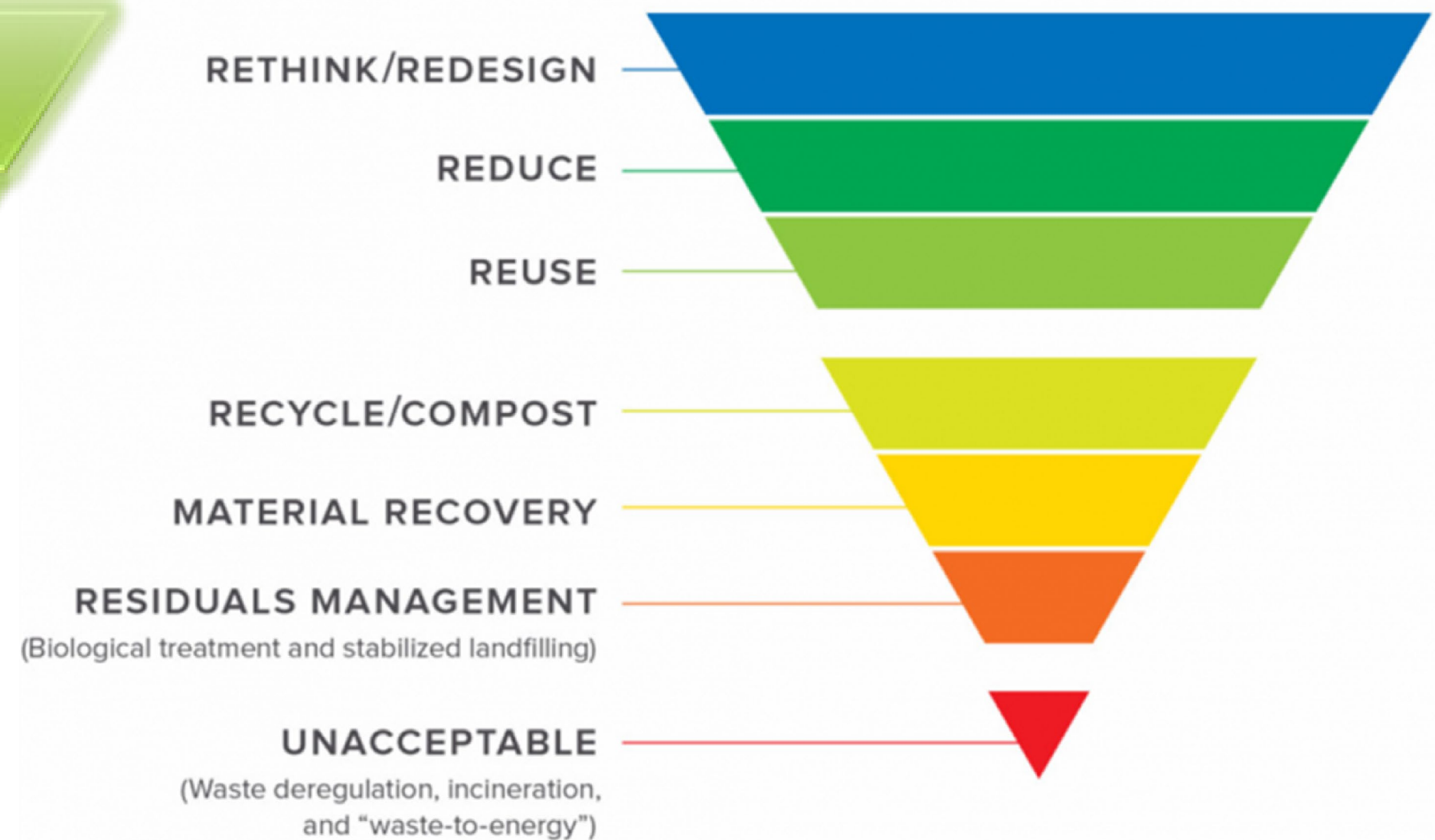
Most homes contain materials that have financial value in the reuse market.

THE WASTE HIERARCHY HAS TO CHANGE

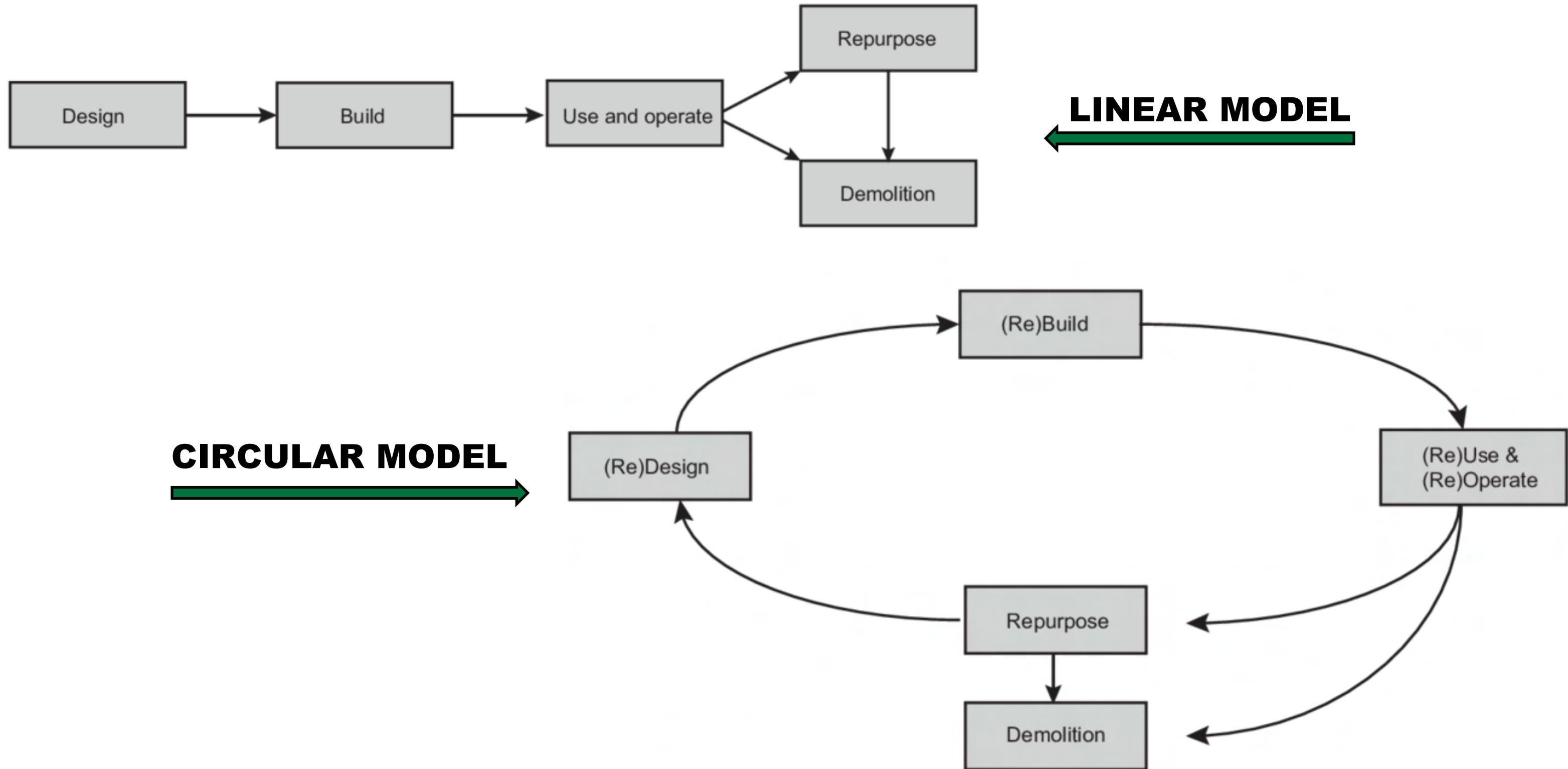
Waste Management Hierarchy



THE ZERO WASTE HIERARCHY



THIS INDUSTRY NEEDS TO SHIFT FROM A LINEAR TO A CIRCULAR MODEL



WHY REUSE?

A circular economy could reduce global CO2 emissions from building materials by 38% in 2050 (EMF, n.d.)

TRIPLE BOTTOM LINE OPPORTUNITY OF COMMERCIAL DECONSTRUCTION



ENVIRONMENTAL

- Resource Conservation
- Carbon Reduction
- Decreased Landfill Volume



ECONOMIC

- Reduced Tipping Fees
- Strengthened Local Economy & Job Creation
- Materials Kept at Highest Value



SOCIAL

- Green Workforce Training
- Creation of Local Jobs
- Respect for History of Communities

KEY DEFINITIONS

- **Deconstruction**: The systematic dismantling and removal of a structure or its parts in the reverse order of construction, for maximum value through the salvage and harvest of components, primarily for reuse in their original purpose and secondarily for recycling
- **Demolition**: The efficient tearing down of a structure or its parts to clear the site as quickly as possible, resulting in debris suitable for some bulk, mixed commodity recycling and disposal
- **Salvage**: Removal of disassembled building materials for the purpose of reuse refurbishing or recycling.
- **Selective Deconstruction**: Disassembly of part of a building or attached structure, targeted materials, finishes, or systems, leaving part of a building standing
- **Strip-Out**: Harvesting a buildings most valuable and easily removable components, typically limited to finish materials, equipment, kitchen cabinets, doors, plumbing fixtures, lighting and bathroom fixtures.
- **Surplus**: Products purchased for construction but never used, often new and in box.

EXAMPLES OF SURPLUS & SALVAGE



OPPORTUNITY: SURPLUS

- Surplus – another feedstock into the materials reuse stream
- Isn't the same as salvage
- Product purchased for construction but never installed
- New not Used!!
- Materials Data available
- New in Box

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San Francisco Surplus Building Products Reduction & Distribution Study

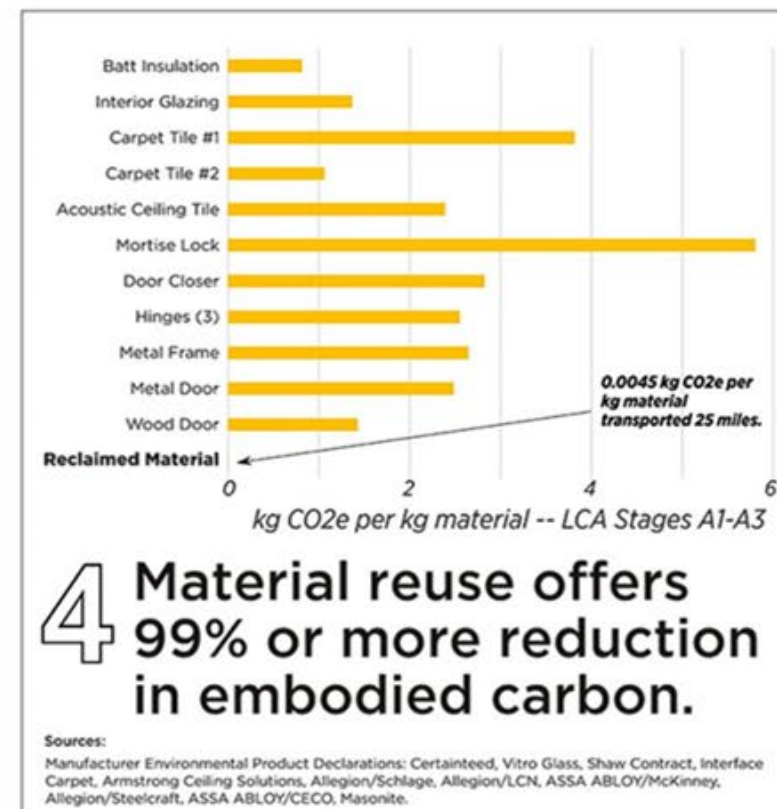
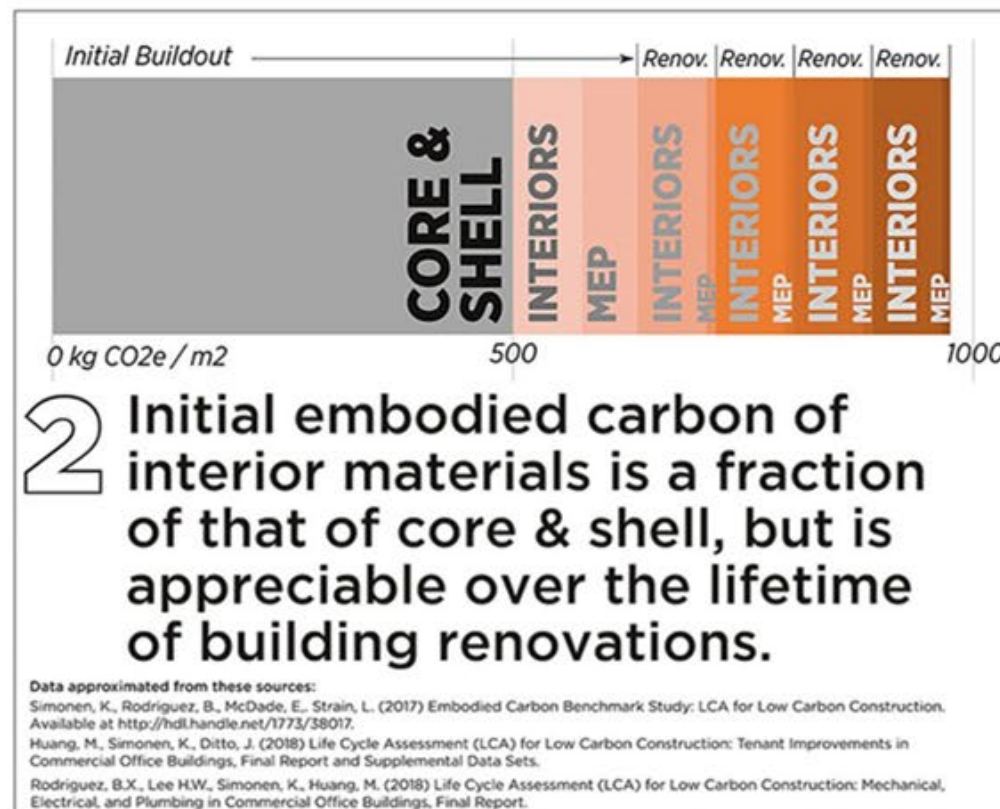
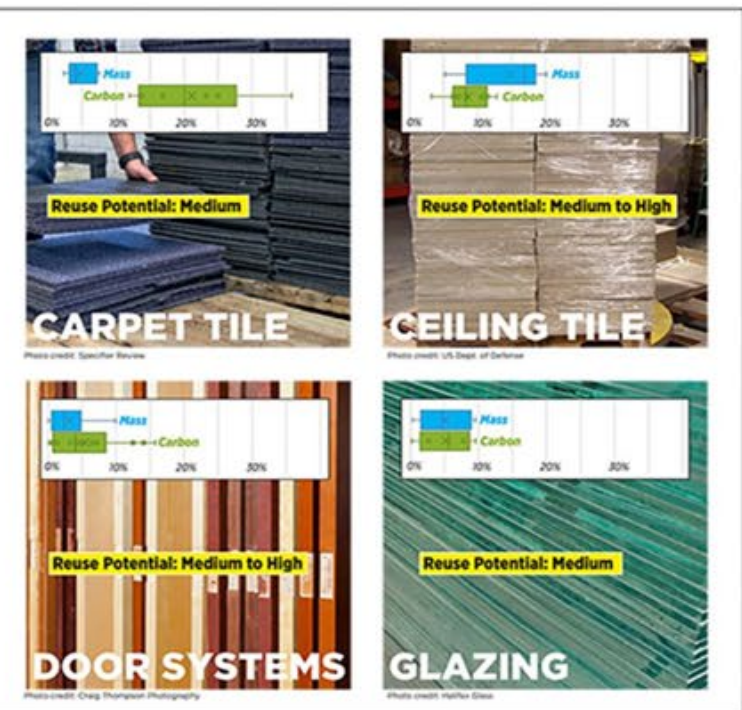
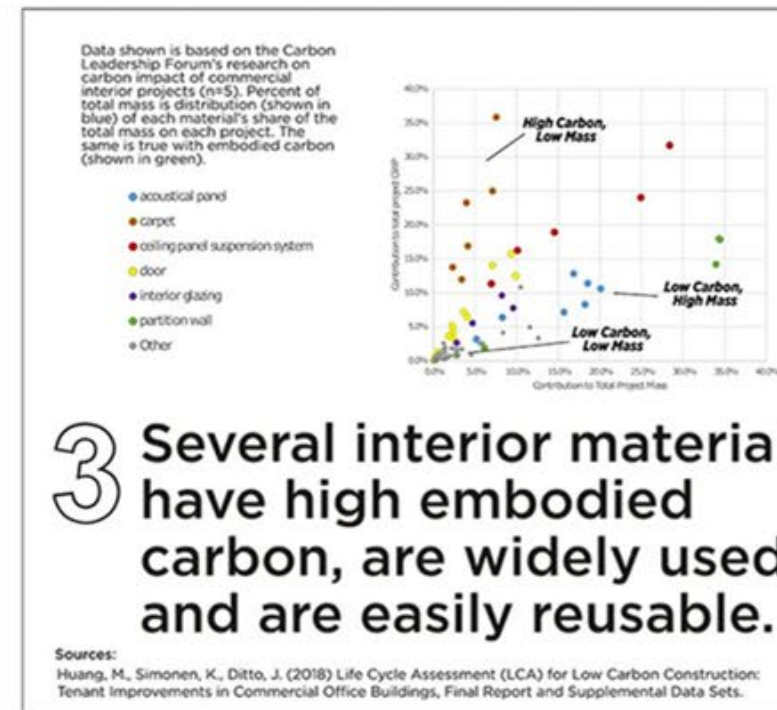
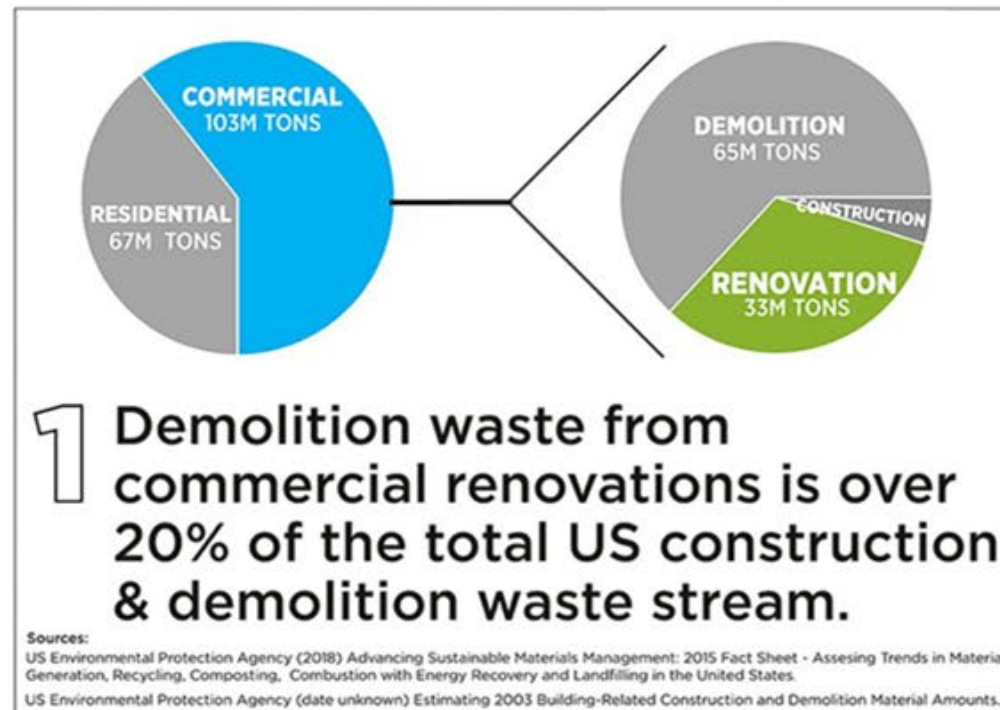


BUILDING MATERIAL REUSE:

The Overlooked Solution to Carbon Reduction

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Materials from commercial interiors are voluminous, standardized, frequently landfilled, have substantial embodied carbon, and are readily reusable.



Envision

Of the 400 million sf of commercial office space constructed each year in US, what if 50% of interior buildouts used 50% reclaimed materials?

Embodied carbon of avg. interior buildout = 75 kg CO₂e/m²
 400 million SF = 3.67 x 10⁷ m²
 3.67x10⁷ m² * 75 kg/ m² CO₂e = 2.75 Megatonnes CO₂e
 2.75 MT * 0.5 * 0.5 = 0.7 MT CO₂e avoided/yr

5 Widespread reuse of commercial materials in the US could yield 20 megatonnes of CO₂e reductions by 2050.

Data approximated from these sources:
 Colliers International (2018) US Research Report, Office Market Outlook Q1 2018.
 Huang, M., Simonen, K., Ditto, J. (2018) Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) for Low Carbon Construction: Tenant Improvements in Commercial Office Buildings, Final Report and Supplemental Data Sets.

CHALLENGES TO BUILDING MATERIALS REUSE

- Current project schedules and contracts do not value deconstruction or reuse
- Not enough stability in reuse market to make sure materials are there when needed
- Inundation of certain commodities, lack of others
- Quality/Warranty/Hazardous Unknowns
- Cheap landfill costs in parts of country
- Manufacturer takeback programs challenging
- Current stock not designed for disassembly
- Regional variations in recycling & diversion options
- Storage – Actual facilities to hold until needed
- Cultural stigma valuing new over reuse

DECONSTRUCTION



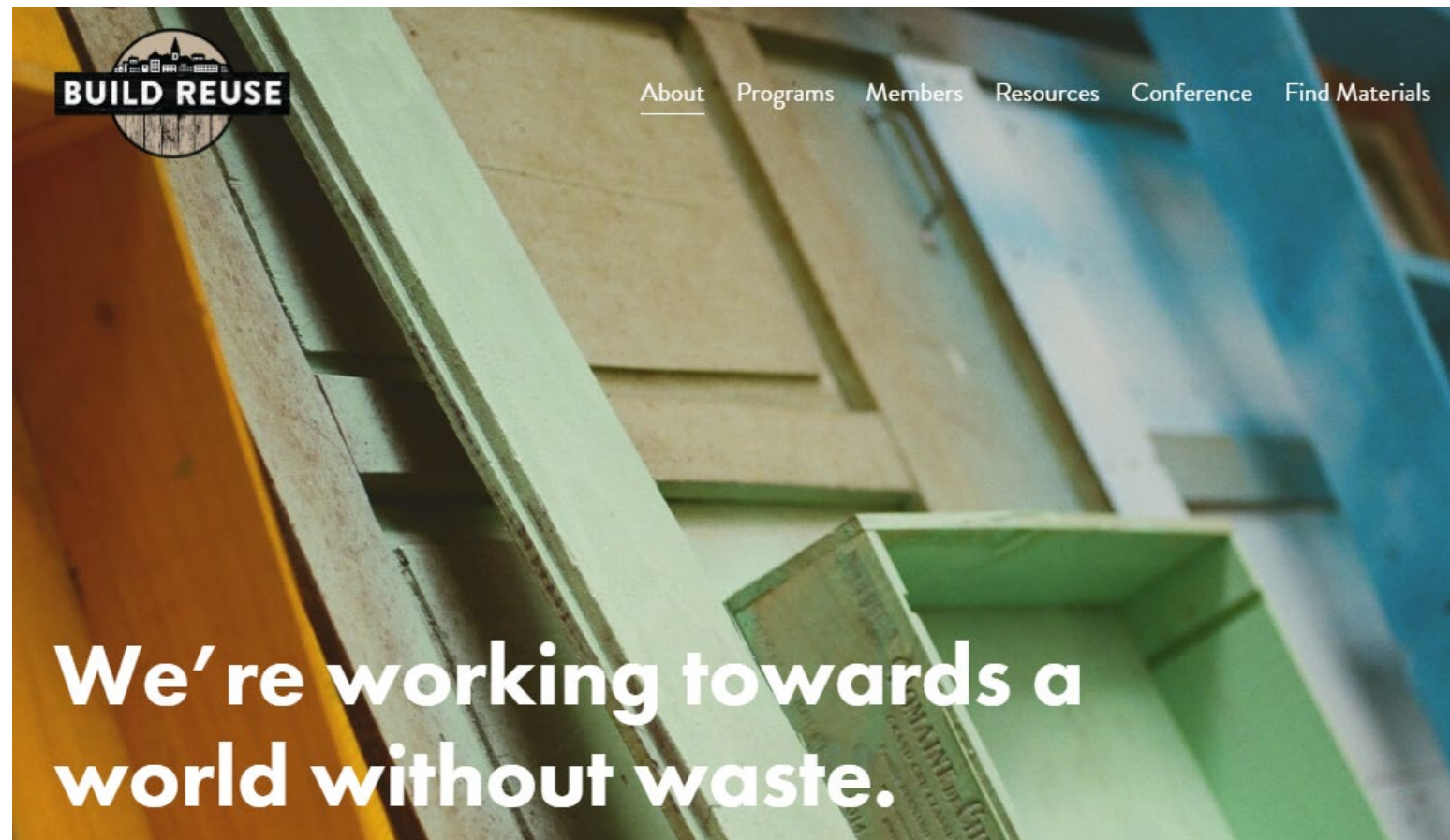
TYPES OF BUILDING MATERIAL REUSE (BMR)

**ADAPTIVE
REUSE WITH
COMPONENT
REUSE**

**REUSING
WHAT IS
AVAILABLE
AT THE SITE**

**REUSING
CONSTRUCTION
MATERIALS FROM
ELSEWHERE**

**SECONDARY
USE OF NON-
CONSTRUCTION
MATERIALS**



MATERIALS RECOVERY THROUGH DECONSTRUCTION

SPECTRUM OF DECONSTRUCTION

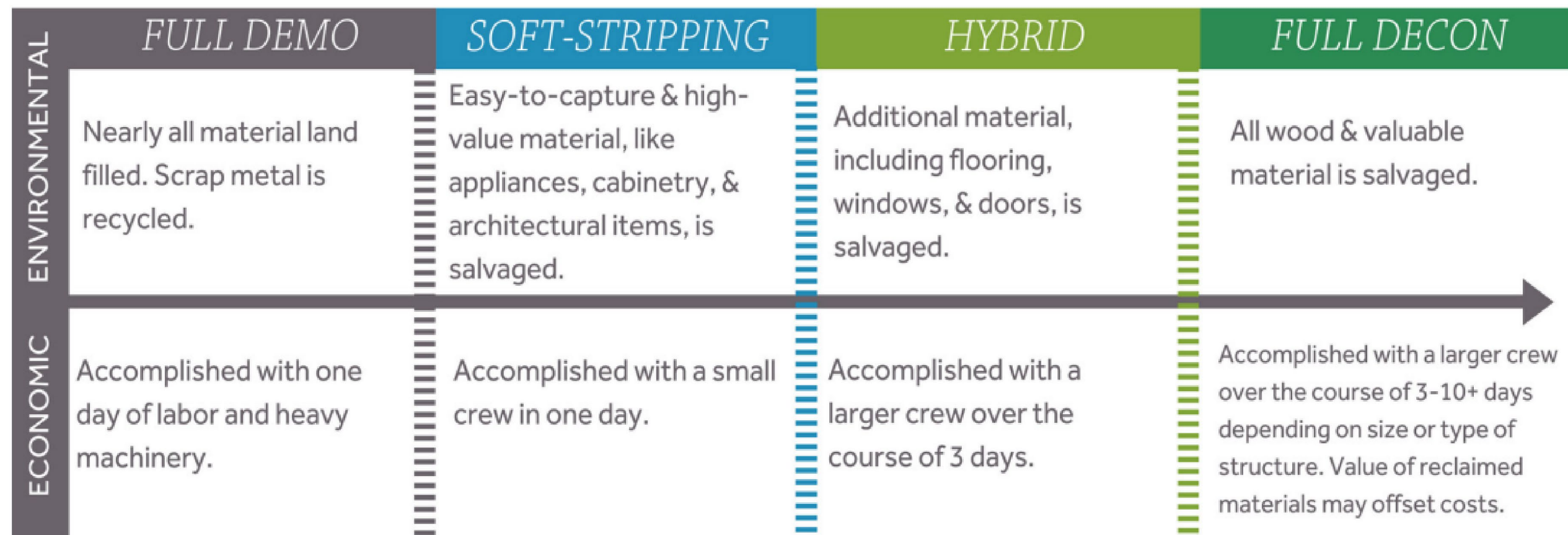
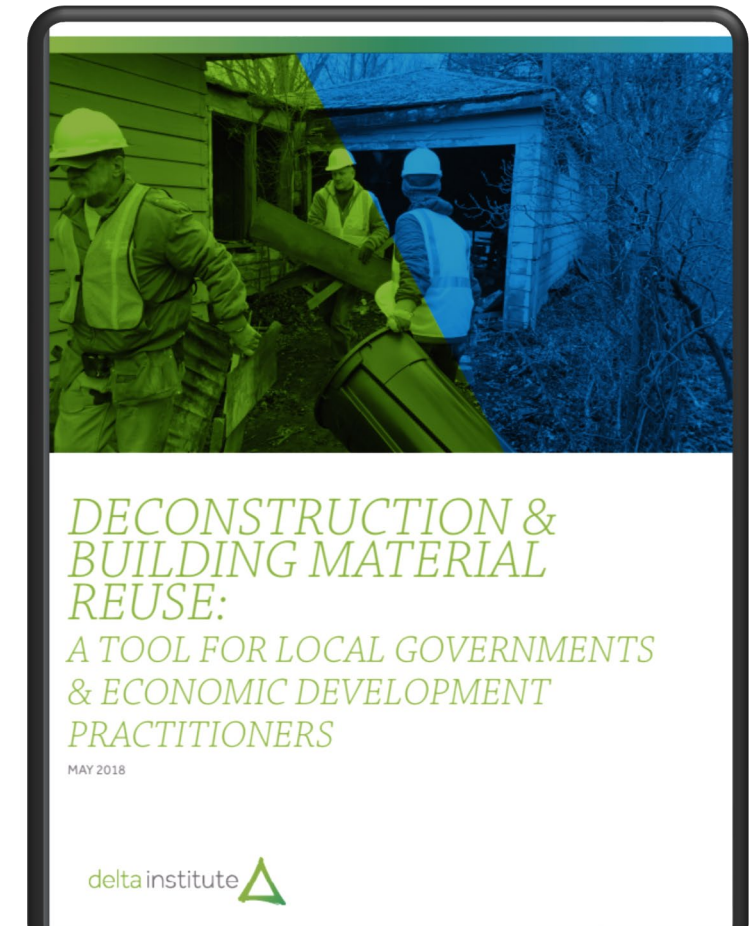
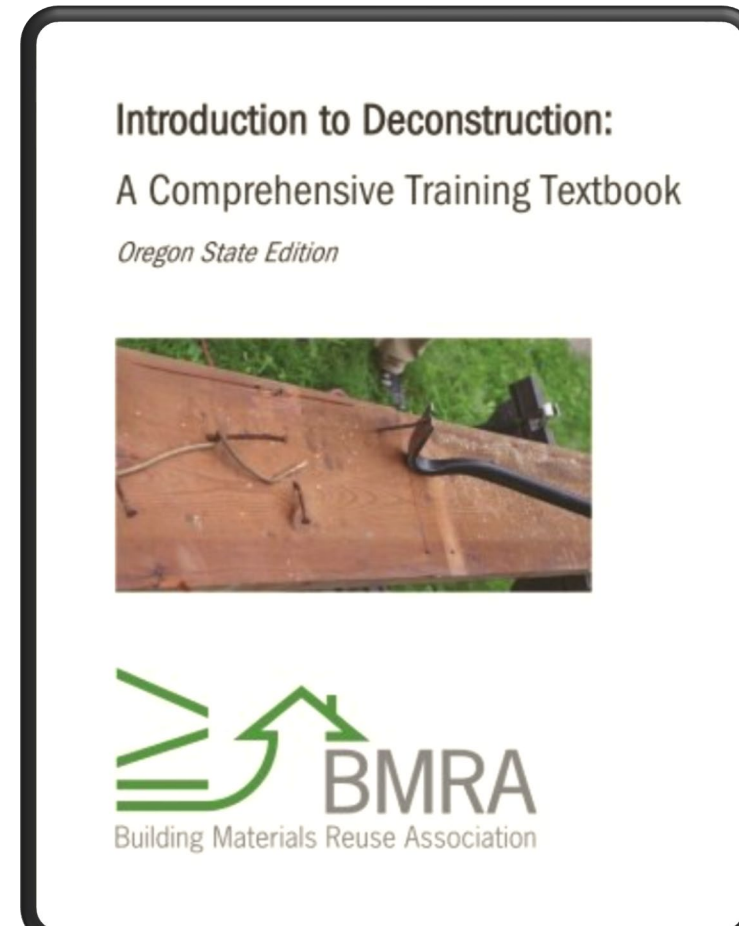


Figure 2: A variety of approaches can be used in accomplishing deconstruction and demolition tasks.

“Deconstruction is a new term to describe an old process—the selective dismantling or removal of materials from buildings prior to or instead of conventional demolition.”

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

DECONSTRUCTION CONTRACTOR TRAINING & EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES



DECONSTRUCTION RESOURCES



DECONSTRUCTION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Compared to mechanical demolition, deconstruction is labor intensive, requiring a team of individuals with specialized knowledge. **Mechanical demolition of a 1,400 square-foot house requires a crew of 2-3 workers, as opposed to 6-8 if that same structure were deconstructed.**

Deconstruction also feeds a larger reuse economy, indirectly supporting jobs in material warehousing, retail and sales, and material manufacturing.

Many Build Reuse member organizations are dedicated to using deconstruction as a tool for workforce development, especially for women, people of color, and people impacted by the justice system or with other barriers to employment.



POLICY TOOLS TO ADVANCE BMR: CODES, GRANTS, ORDINANCES, ASSESSMENTS, & SPECIFICATIONS





Knowledge ▾ Features ▾

LOGIN | REGISTER

LOGIN/SIGN UP TO SAVE

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How to start deconstructing and stop demolishing your city's buildings

Adapting to Climate Change

Buildings and Construction

Spotlight On: Sustainable Consumption

Waste

Author(s): C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group, C40 Knowledge Hub



CODE LANGUAGE SUPPORTING REUSE IN NEW CONSTRUCTION

WASHINGTON STATE – RECLAIMED WOOD CAN BE USED IN STRUCTURAL APPLICATIONS

- “Used sawn lumber identified with a grade mark, in good condition and devoid of areas of decay shall be assumed to meet the requirements of section 602.1.1 or comply with the following...”



WASHINGTON STATE LEGISLATURE

Section R602—Wood wall framing.

R602.1.1.1 Used sawn lumber. Used sawn lumber meet the requirements of Section 602.1.1 or shall

1. Dimensional lumber not identified with a assumed to be spruce-pine-fir stud grade and shall

OREGON RESIDENTIAL SPECIALTY CODE

R104.9 Approved materials and equipment. Materials, *equipment* and devices *approved* by the *building official* shall be constructed and installed in accordance with such approval.

R104.9.1 Used materials and equipment. Used materials, *equipment* and devices shall not be reused unless *approved* by the *building official*. Used or salvaged dimensional lumber shall be permitted to be used in accordance with all of the following:

1. Used or salvaged dimensional lumber shall be in generally good condition and free of any obvious areas of decay.
2. Where used or salvaged dimensional lumber is identified by a grade mark or where a certificate of inspection is provided from a lumber grading or inspection agency *approved* by an accreditation body that complies with DOC PS 20, structural properties for the used or salvaged lumber shall be as determined by the *approved* agency in accordance with the grade stamp or certificate provided.

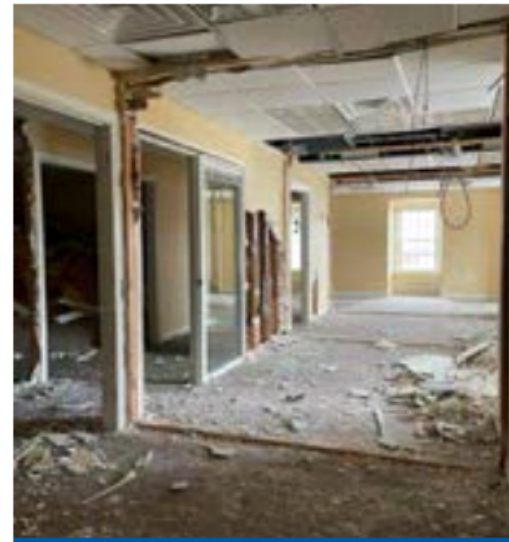
Exception: In lieu of the grade mark or certificate described in Item 2, used or salvaged dimensional lumber not bearing a grade stamp or provided with a certificate shall be assumed to be Douglas Fir-Larch No. 2 grade and shall have structural properties assigned in accordance with current adopted standards.

GRANT PROGRAMS

HENNEPIN COUNTY

Building reuse grants Commercial deconstruction

Hennepin County has funding available for building projects that use deconstruction techniques instead of standard demolition to remove materials from the destruction, alteration, or renovation of a building. Property owners and developers of commercial properties can receive up to \$10,000 to help offset the additional time and labor costs associated with deconstruction.



Reuse Grant Program



RAMSEY COUNTY

Deconstruction Grants

Deconstruction is the process of taking apart a building so that building materials can be reused.

Apply for a MassDEP Reduce, Reuse, Repair Micro-Grant

This program provides grants of up to \$5,000 to for-profit and non-profit organizations, regional authorities, and eligible municipalities for short-term waste reduction projects.

Atlanta Receives EPA Grant for Deconstruction Pilot Program

SALVAGE ASSESSMENTS

Deconstruction Rapid Assessment Tool



2b. Damage & Deterioration

The Damage & Deterioration section is intended to provide an indication of the condition of materials in the structure. If, for example, there are large portions of the roof missing and clear exposure to the elements or missing windows, the chances of materials being damaged and/or deteriorated is increased, thereby making deconstruction unlikely. This is very important in understanding whether deconstruction will be a viable option. For projects in which the structure was recently occupied and in habitable condition, this section may have diminished relevance.

DAMAGE & DETERIORATION				
Major cracking of brick, wood rotting:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Broken or missing windows:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Missing brick and siding:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Roof damage:	<input type="checkbox"/> Small open hole	<input type="checkbox"/> Large open hole(s)	Portion of roof missing <input type="checkbox"/>	Significant portion or entire roof missing <input type="checkbox"/>
Evidence of major fire damage:	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 (little)	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 (lots)
Evidence of major water damage:	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 (little)	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 (lots)
Are gutters/downspout operable to control water?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

2c. Materials Inventory

The materials inventory includes the types and quantities of building elements commonly found in residential structures. This information is intended to provide estimates of effort required to deconstruct and potential revenue from deconstructed materials.

MATERIALS INVENTORY					
Roof type:	<input type="checkbox"/> Flat	<input type="checkbox"/> Pitched			
Siding type:	Brick <input type="checkbox"/> 1 (little) <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 (lots)	Wood <input type="checkbox"/> 1 (little) <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 (lots)	Stone <input type="checkbox"/> 1 (little) <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 (lots)	Vinyl/Synthetic <input type="checkbox"/> 1 (little) <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 (lots)	Aluminum <input type="checkbox"/> 1 (little) <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 (lots)
Other:	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 (little) <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 (lots)				
Wood flooring (number of rooms):	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Specify:				
Have additional layers of flooring been adhered to the wood in the past?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
Are dimensional ceiling or floor joists observed? (can be viewed from basement or attic)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
Dimensional lumber larger than 4x4:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
Are walls plaster or drywall? (total should equal 100%)	Plaster <input type="checkbox"/> Partly (< 25%) <input type="checkbox"/> Some (25-50%) <input type="checkbox"/> Mostly (50-99%) <input type="checkbox"/> All (100%)	Drywall <input type="checkbox"/> Partly (< 25%) <input type="checkbox"/> Some (25-50%) <input type="checkbox"/> Mostly (50-99%) <input type="checkbox"/> All (100%)			
Crown moulding	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Some <input type="checkbox"/> A Lot				
Casing around doors and windows (number of rooms)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Specify:				
Baseboard moulding (number of rooms)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Specify:				
Chair railing moulding (number of rooms)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Specify:				
Foundation:	<input type="checkbox"/> Monolithic concrete <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete block <input type="checkbox"/> Combination, specify:				
Basement:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Partial				

BUILDING MATERIAL SALVAGE ASSESSMENT

Names of Inspectors				
Date of Inspection				
Address				

FINAL ASSESSMENT AND JUSTIFICATION

BUILDING AND SITE SPECIFIC DETAILS				
YEAR BUILT	# STORIES			
HOME SQUARE FOOT	# BEDROOMS			
GOOD STAGING AREA	# BATHROOMS			

SITE HAZARDS				
HAZARDS	NONE	SOME	LOTS	NOTE:
EXTERIOR TRASH				
TREES AND FOLIAGE				
OTHER:				

PERCEIVABLE BUILDING HAZARDS				
HAZARD	NONE	SOME	LOTS	Notes:
ROOF DAMAGE				
WATER DAMAGE				
FIRE DAMAGE				
ASBESTOS				
LEAD PAINT				
INTERIOR TRASH				
OTHER				

SALVAGEABLE MATERIALS					
WOOD USE	OLD GROWTH	MID CENTURY	RECLAIMED	PAINT GLUE	Other
FLOORING					
FRAMING [x]					
Floor JOISTS [X]					
SUBFLOORING [x]					
Roof TRUSSES [x]					
Siding [x]					
OTHER?					

OTHER SALVAGEABLE FEATURES

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Before you demolish... should you deconstruct?

Seattle Department of Construction & Inspections

Salvage Assessment

Project Number Whole Building Removal (demolition) Alterations

Nonresidential Project Residential Project

Project Address

Owner/Contact Name Phone

Salvage Verifier (if required) Contact Name Company Phone

A salvage assessment is required for all whole building demolition projects and projects that involve alterations valued at more than \$75,000 and/or where the area of work is greater than 750 square feet.

By checking this box, I have determined I do not need to fill out this form because:

- the project does not impact an existing building, such as construction of a new detached accessory dwelling unit or backyard cottage,
- the permit value is less than \$75,000, or
- the area of work is less than 750 square feet.

This exception does not apply to demolition permits.

This form must be filled out by:

The Owner or Owner's Representative when...	The project scope involves additions or alterations
	Material removed from a project is going to be reused on-site or at an alternate project site
	Project #/Address <input type="text"/>
A Salvage Verifier when...	The project includes whole building removal (Demolition)

A salvage verifier is a person meeting one of the following criteria:

- An established salvage and reuse retail company
- A licensed contractor specializing in deconstruction
- A demolition company with knowledge of local and current salvage retail markets

- A list of possible salvage verifiers may be found through resources such as The Northwest Building Salvage Network: <http://nrbnsaSeattle.org/>
- A salvage verifier may use this or an alternate form
- ONLY a salvage verifier may check off this box if there is nothing of value to salvage

Salvage Assessment Matrix

Use the matrix below to identify all building materials impacted by demolition that could be salvaged and reused ON or OFF-SITE instead of being sent to a landfill or recycled.

Building	Specific Material	Quantity	Notes
Cabinets	Solid Wood (with back panel)		
	Other (with back panel)		
Carpet	Tile		
	Rail		
Doors	Interior		
	Exterior		
	Garage		
Flooring	Solid Floor		

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DECONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS

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BMRA Model Guide Specification: Deconstruction of Buildings

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The purpose of this Model Guide Specification is to provide the building industry with a consistent set of technical requirements for deconstructing buildings as the Owner's directed method of building removal, based on the best knowledge and practices available within the industry.

BMRA Model Guide Specification: Section 02 42 13.13 Deconstruction of Buildings

Background.

The Building Material Reuse Association (BMRA) is a non-profit educational organization whose mission is to advance the recovery, reuse, and recycling of building materials in such a way to reduce the consumption of new resources, reduce landfill waste, create a value-added market and increase cost-effectiveness, expand job opportunities and workforce development skills, and promote the sustainability of communities and the environment through resource preservation. As part of its mission, the BMRA is developing a library of technical documents to assist deconstruction - related practitioners and the building industry as a whole.



ORDINANCES & POLICIES EXAMPLES




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KING COUNTY, WA

Green Building & Sustainable Development (CD)

2013

Method / Mechanism

Starting in 2013, all projects are required to take materials from construction sites to either single commodity recycling facilities, commingled processing facilities, or transfer stations reducing materials sent to the landfill.

Documentation may be used in conjunction with LEED or Built Green certification reporting.

Non-Compliance

Code citation Up to 60 days of civil penalties followed by legal prosecution

MILWAUKEE, WI

Deconstruction Ordinance

2018

Method / Mechanism

Homes built before 1930 that are one to four residential units must be deconstructed.

Non-Compliance

Penalties include forfeitures of up to \$3,000 (up to \$20,000 for improper use of heavy machinery), issuance of citations, removal of a contractor from the list of certified deconstruction contractors, or revocation of a contractor's certification as a certified deconstruction contractor.

POLICY MECHANISMS

POLICY TOOLS:

- Deposit Programs
- CD&D Waste Diversion Programs
- Salvage Assessment & Commitment
- Deconstruction & Waste Plan
- Achievement of Green Building Programs or Municipal Plans
- Certified haulers and transfer stations
- Deconstruction policies
- By-Laws
- City Owned infrastructure facilitation
- Permit Expediting

NON-COMPLIANCE MEASURES:

- Certificate of Final Occupancy Not Awarded
- Penalty Fines
- Civil Actions –including Jail Time, misdemeanor prosecution
- Fines Per ton
- Doubled Tipping Fees
- Suspension of demolition
- Permit rejection
- Code citation
- Removal of certified contractors from list



AN EXAMPLE: SAN ANTONIO REUSE FRAMEWORK

WHY DECONSTRUCTION?

*Construction and demolition waste is the largest single-stream source of refuse in the United States - more than double the amount thrown into household trash bins.**

The Deconstruction & Circular Economy Program aims to recapture building materials that are traditionally lost to the landfill and redirect them back into our communities for reuse. The program is developing interdisciplinary, community-focused policies and partnerships to advance this work.

**Source: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) 2017 report*

- **Place Based Policies** – Deconstruction ordinance, changes to city project requirements, training requirements, historic preservation + repair first lens
- **Reuse pathways** – Material Innovation Center, Affordable Housing Programs
- **Workforce:** Community + Trades Training, workforce development partnerships,
- **Engagement** – Digital and in person engagement, events, videos, neighborhood association “tours”
- **Networks & Partnerships** – Peer exchanges, engaging with entire stakeholder ecosystem, strengthening partnerships between city departments
- **Data** – combining existing datasets, embedding equity and environmental justice, commissioning locally-specific reports to address data blind spots



“MATERIAL RESCUE AND REUSE EPITOMIZES CLIMATE ACTION FOR THE BUILDING INDUSTRY, HONORING EMBODIED CARBON AND UPENDING THE PREVAILING LINEAR TAKE-MAKE-WASTE PATTERN.”

Eden Brukman
Sr. Green Building Coordinator
SF Environment

CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION DEBRIS RECOVERY LAW

Credit: San Francisco Department of the Environment (2022)

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022 REQUIREMENTS OVERVIEW

San Francisco Ordinance No. 144-21 and Public Works Code Section 725 add new construction and demolition (C&D) debris recovery requirements for C&D transporters, processing facilities, and projects. Under the ordinance, C&D debris material removed from a project in San Francisco must be recycled or reused. No C&D debris can be transported to or disposed of in a landfill or incinerator or put in a designated trash bin.



MATERIAL EXCHANGE PLATFORMS

MATERIALS EXCHANGES CAN BE FACILITATED BY CITIES IN A FEW WAYS:

- Encouraging and supporting reuse resale facilities. A physical location within the municipality speeds the ease of exchange and keeps local resources and workforce local
- Helping to facilitate the creation of building material reuse infrastructure locally via policy or other measures.
- Sharing resources with project teams to use digital materials exchanges to further facilitate the transfer of goods and continue to capture the environmental benefit of reuse.

CLICK ON THE LOGO TO GO TO THE EXCHANGE



ALL FOR REUSE: REUSE ECOSYSTEM MAP

REUSE ECOSYSTEM MAP

Connecting the dots across the design and construction industry toward an inclusive circular economy.

REUSE

Suppliers of salvaged, used or refabricated building materials

DECONSTRUCTION

Organizations that offer services to salvage, soft-strip, or deconstruct

HAULING / WAREHOUSING

Entities supporting the logistics of moving and storing products

GOVERNMENT / PUBLIC AGENCY

Examples of jurisdictions with policies or enabling infrastructure in place

NETWORK / RESOURCES

National member organizations, digital platforms, and materials databases

REMANUFACTURING / RECYCLING

Manufacturer take-back programs, fabricators, and targeted recycling

TRAINING / EDUCATION

Workforce development in the field and programs in academic institutions

CONSULTING / RESEARCH

Resource experts specializing in material reuse or circular economy



MORE TOOLS FOR MUNICIPALITIES

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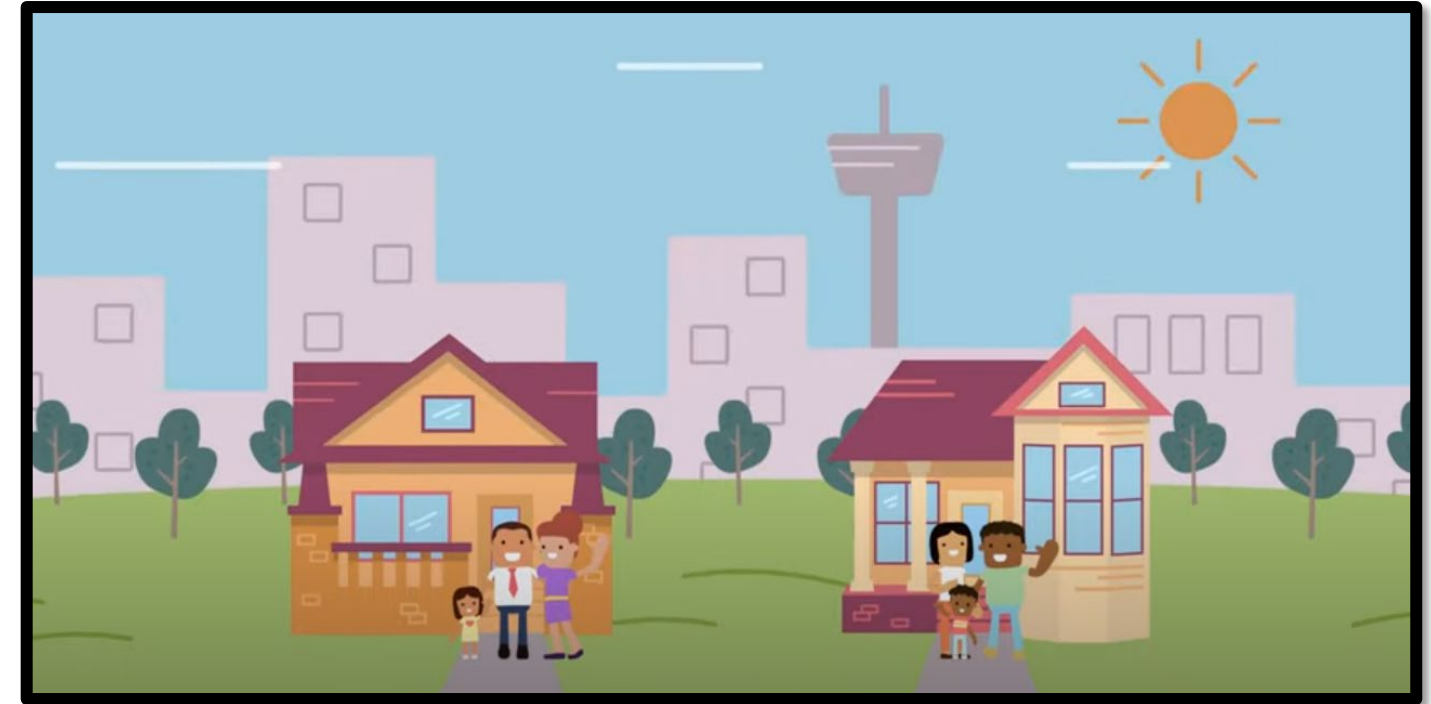
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FACILITATING THE CIRCULATION OF RECLAIMED BUILDING ELEMENTS IN NORTHWESTERN EUROPE



FCRBE - Facilitating the circulation of reclaimed building elements in Northwestern Europe

A collage of colorful graphic elements and text promoting building reuse and preservation. The central element is a green circle with a pink flower icon and the text "preservation is CLIMATE ACTION". Surrounding it are various other shapes and text: an orange rounded rectangle with "RESTORE BUILDINGS save the world!", a teal rounded rectangle with "DECONSTRUCT DON'T DESTROY", a pink starburst with "REUSE REVOLUTION", a yellow rounded rectangle with "THE GREENEST BUILDING IS ALREADY BUILT", a purple rounded rectangle with "REUSE IS THE GOAL!", a light orange triangle with a recycling symbol and "reuse KEEPS IT LOCAL", and a green circle with a wrench and screwdriver icon and "REPAIR REUSE". There are also small flower and starburst icons scattered throughout.

COLLABORATION

- Owners
- Architects
- Interior Designers
- Demolition Subcontractors
- Deconstruction/Selective Demolition Subs
- Installing subcontractors
- Waste Haulers
- Governments/Cities/Municipalities
- Manufacturers
- Reuse vendors and resalers
- Testing and Certification Agencies
- Workforce Development/Equity Professionals



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