

Designing the Cross Street Passive House

Performance, Resilience and Certification



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Learning objectives

1. Identify potential building science, health, and wellness issues in urban passive building retrofits.
2. Discuss resiliency challenges and solutions for buildings in dense urban areas.
3. Understand the role of life cycle carbon and cost analysis in guiding design decisions.
4. Outline the goals of passive building and the impact on retrofit design.



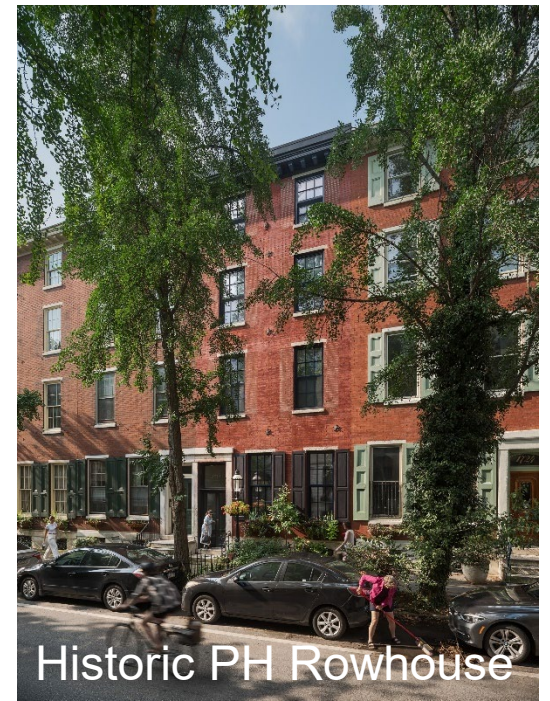
Italian Market Passive House



Accessible Historic Masonry PH Rehab



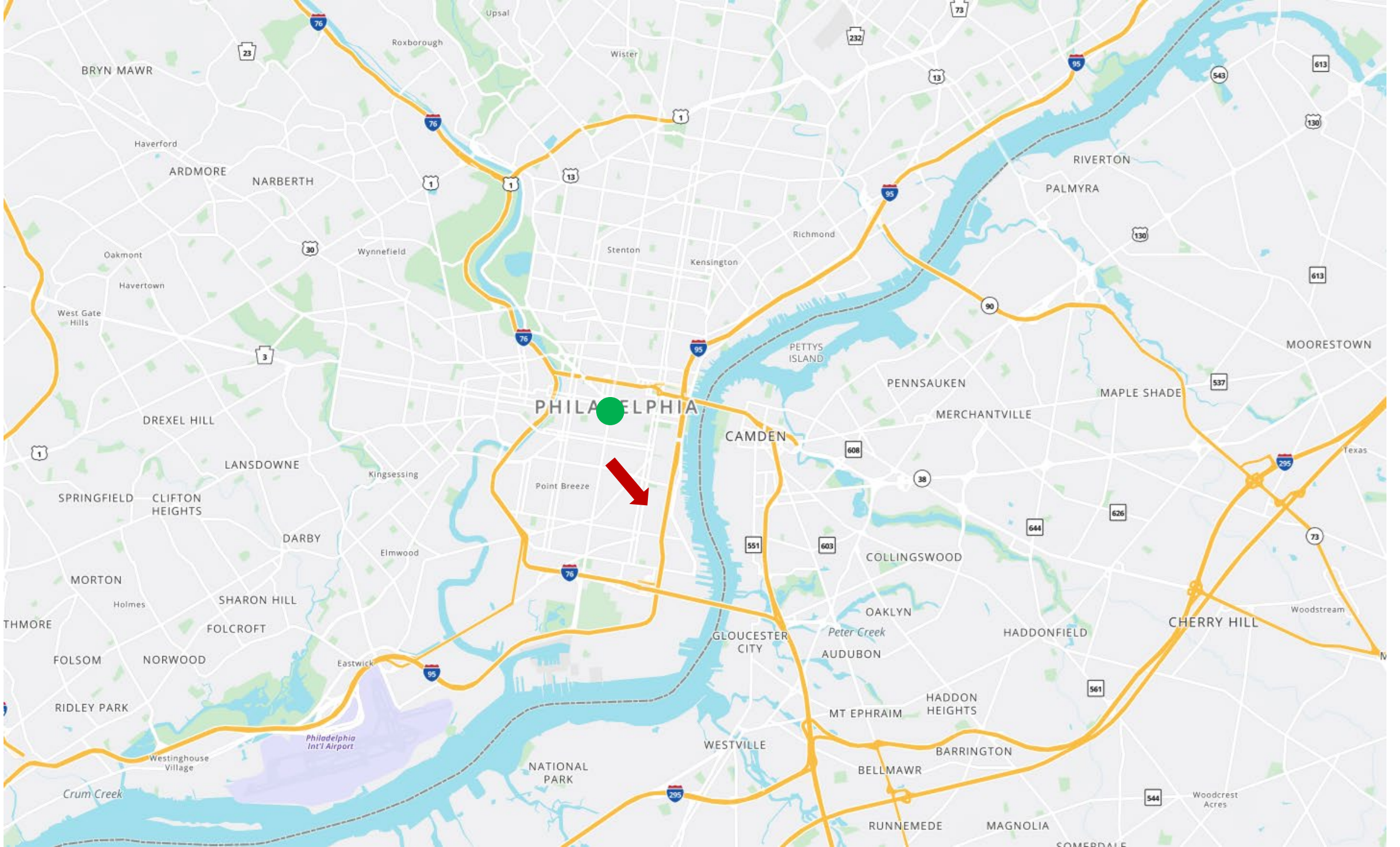
Bardin Passive House



Historic PH Rowhouse

CROSS STREET PASSIVE HOUSE









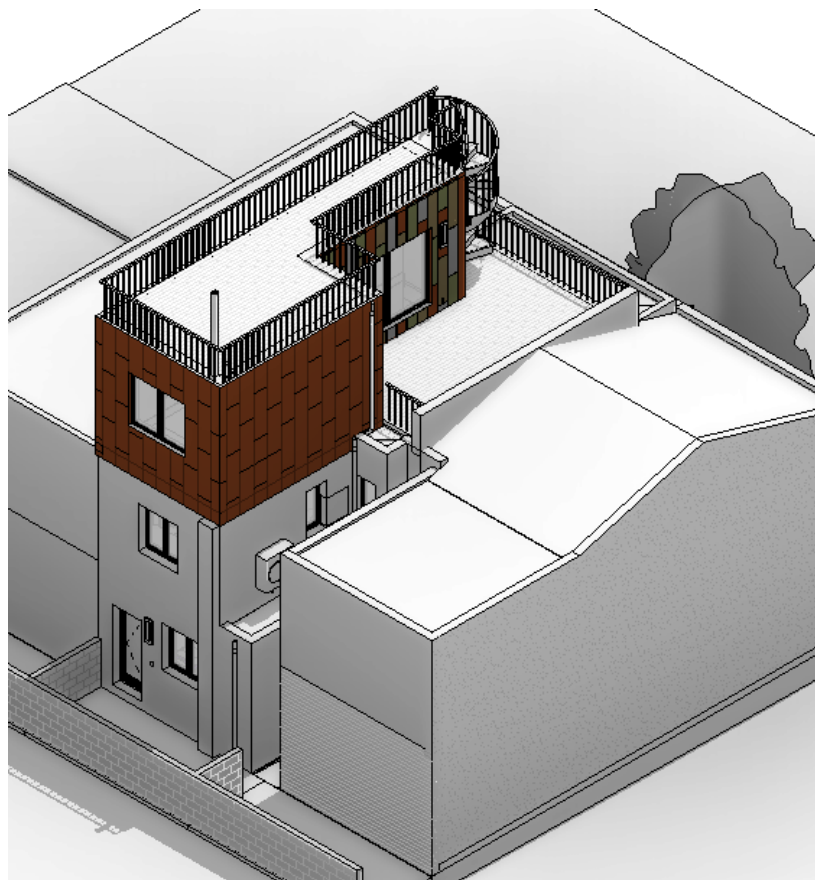
Basement

First Floor

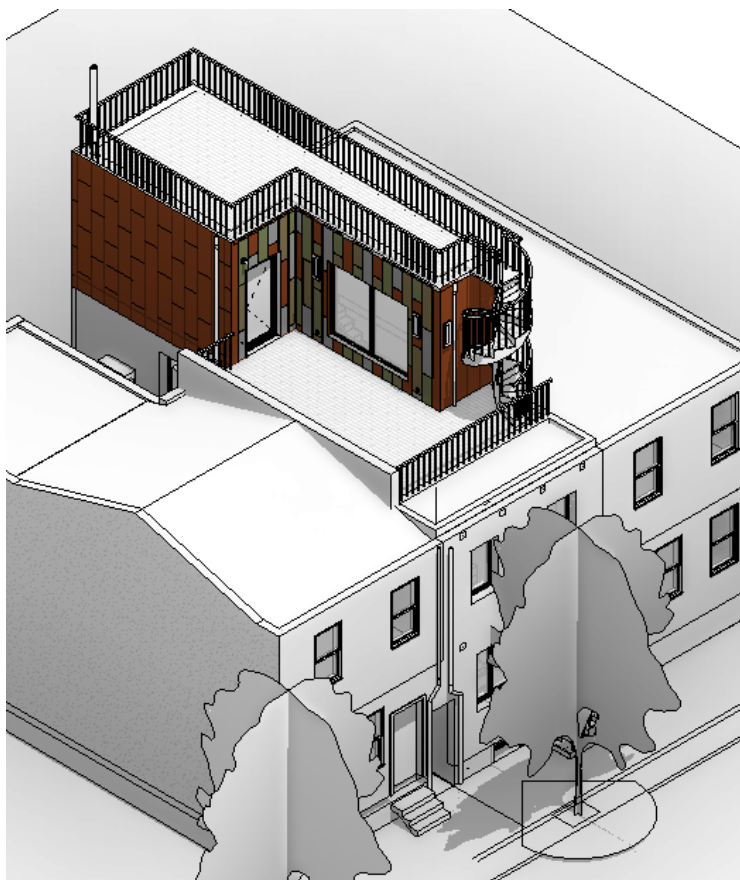
Second Floor

PROJECT INFORMATION

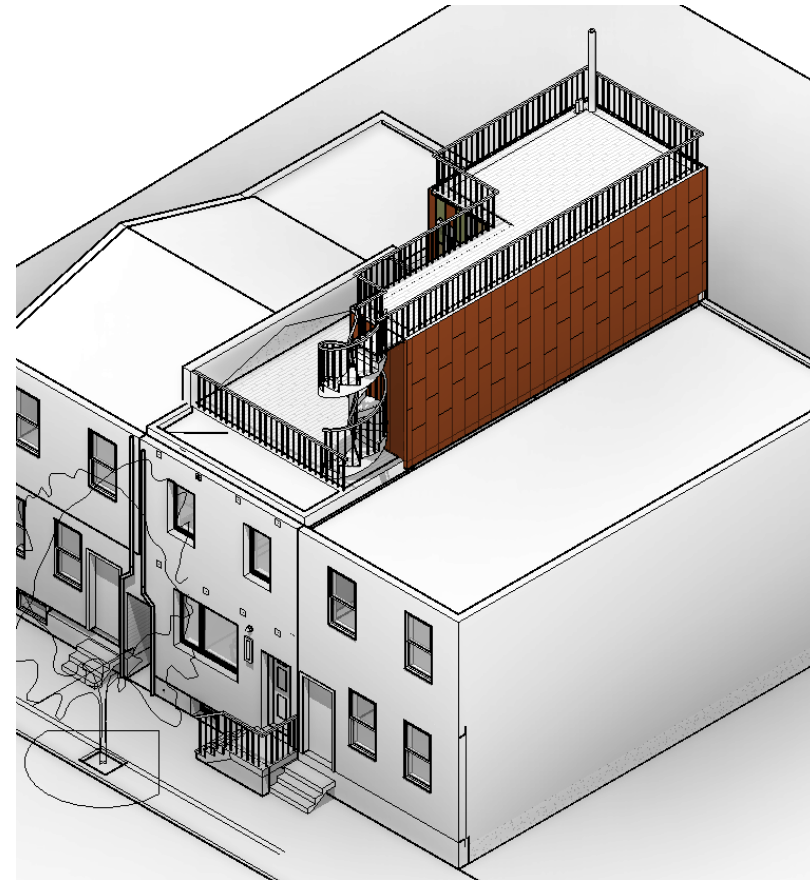
- 2-Story brick rowhouse, built ca.1910
- Rear kitchen addition, plus other changes ca. 1950
- South Philly Dickinson Square neighborhood
- Front faces south
- Lot = 16ft wide x 48-6 deep = 768sf
- 984sf on two floors, with unfinished basement (low head height)
- Fire damage May 2023
- Proposed third floor addition with walk-out deck adds 270sf
- Zoned RSA5 allows 38ft max height, roof deck with 5ft setback from front, rear yard = 9ft min or 20% of lot depth.
- Philadelphia building code = 2018 IRC
- Phius performance and certification



Rear



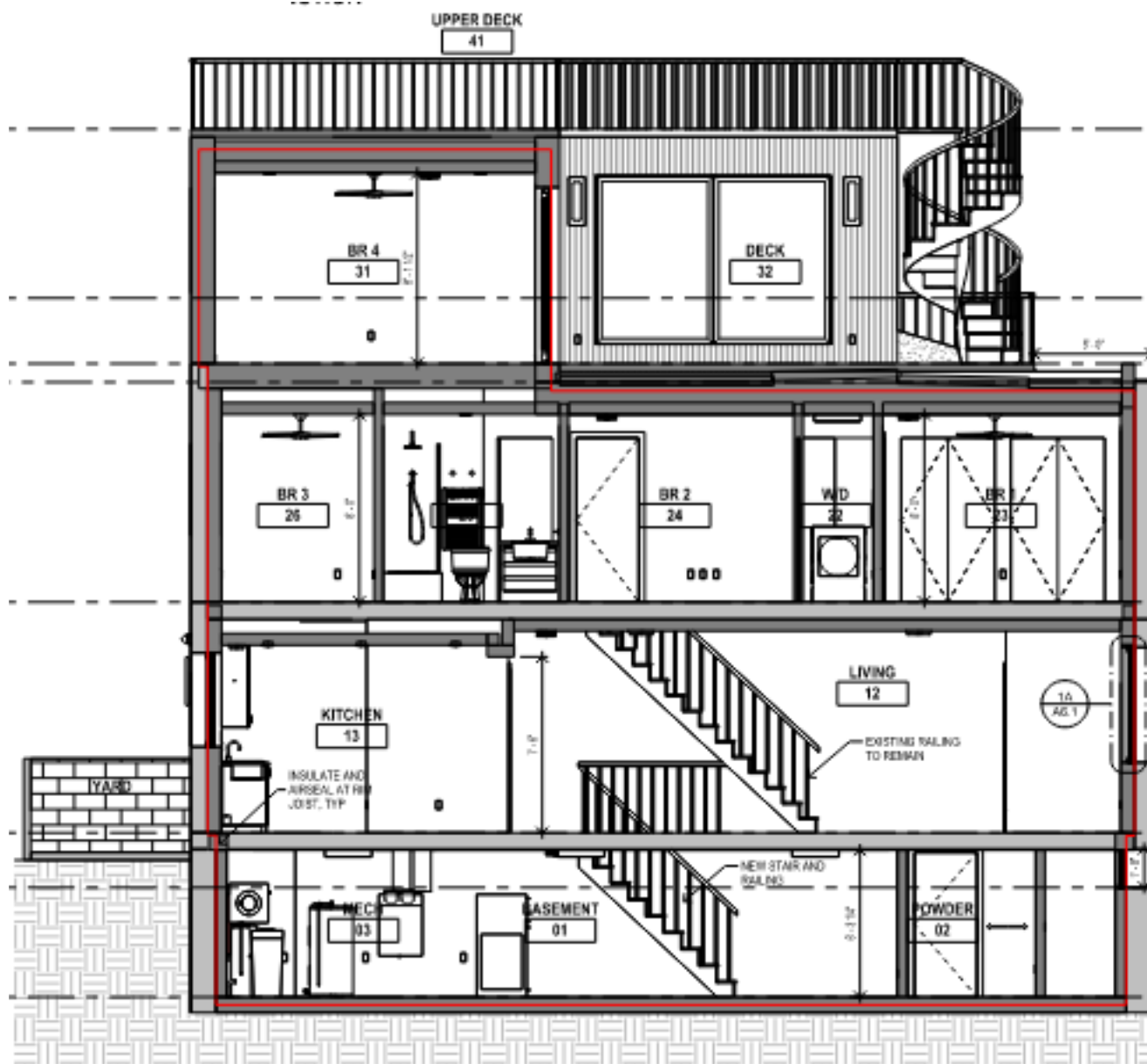
Front



Party Wall

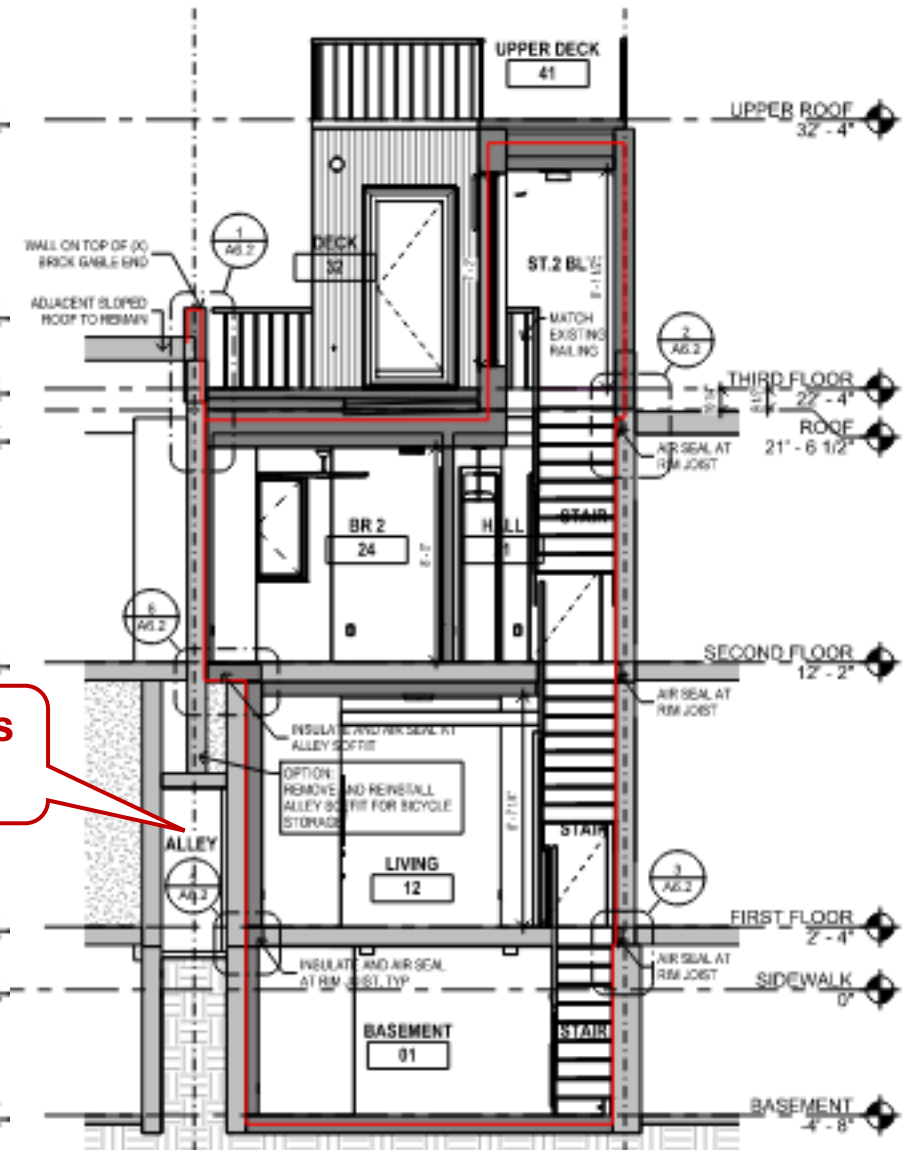
PROJECT GOALS

- **Foam-free** construction
- **All electric** equipment with no combustion appliances
- Continuous **HEPA filtered fresh air** through an ERV system
- **Fire-safe construction** in response to adjacent fire-damaged property
- **Existing brick** finish to remain
- **Outswing passive house windows** in existing masonry openings
- **Wood fiber insulation** where possible
- ~~Retain existing basement slab and stair~~ **New insulated slab**
- **Retain masonry and wood structure** where possible (reduce embodied carbon)
- **Add third floor with walk-out roof deck** to provide usable outdoor space.
- **Phius** certification
- **LEED** certification
- **Outreach and education**



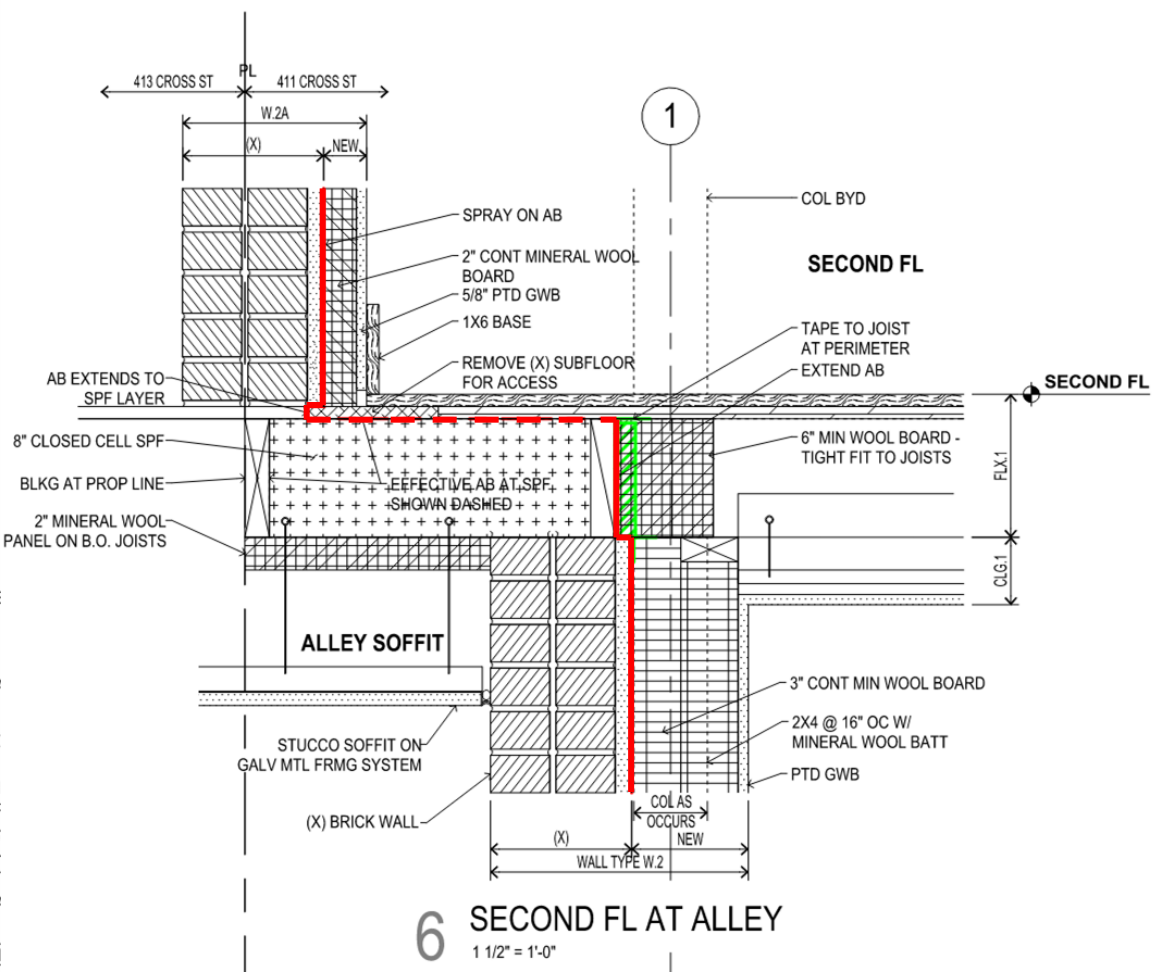
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1/4" = 1'-0"

**Butcher's
Alley**

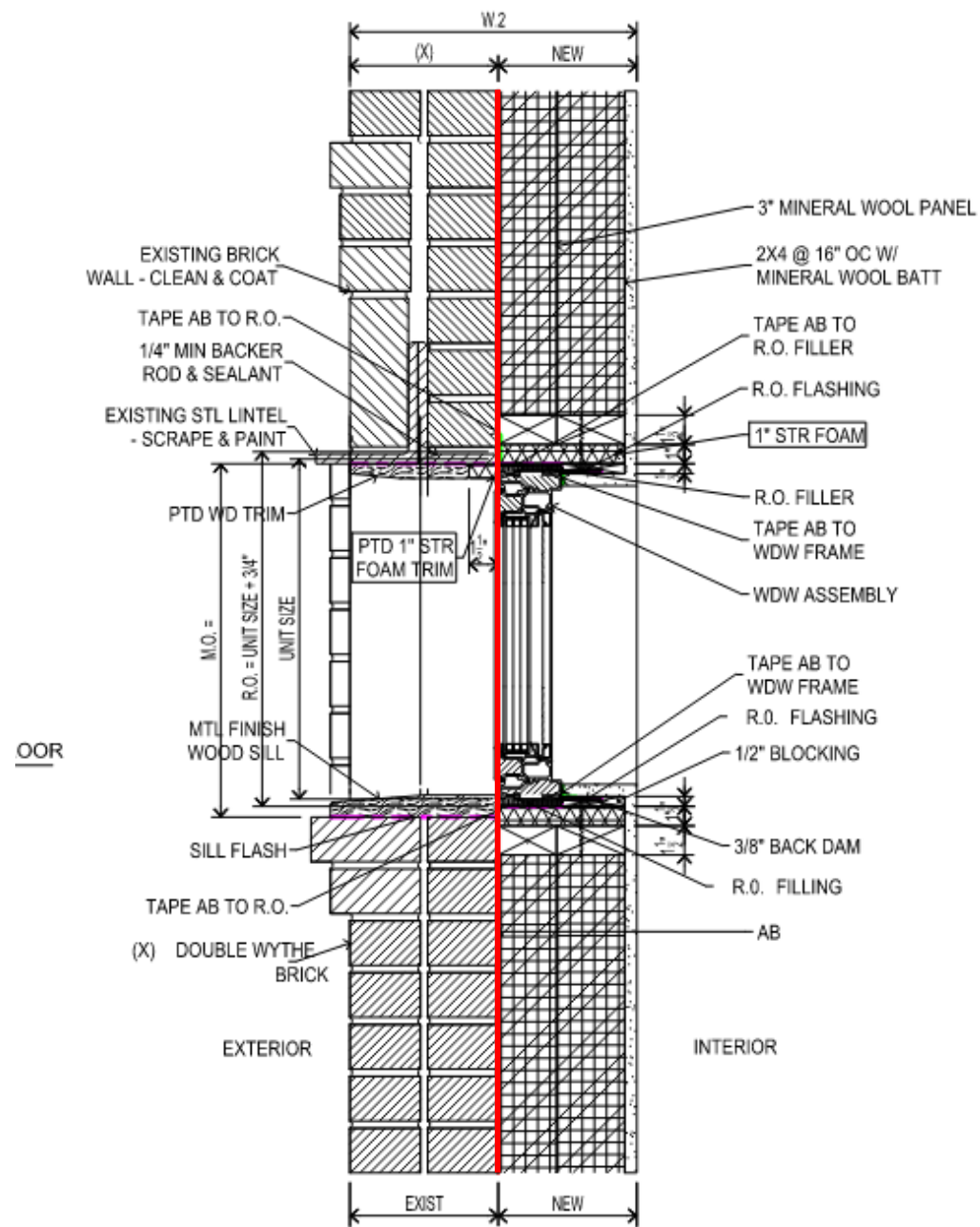


A CROSS SECTION AT STAIR
1/4" = 1'-0"

CONTINUOUS AIR BARRIER

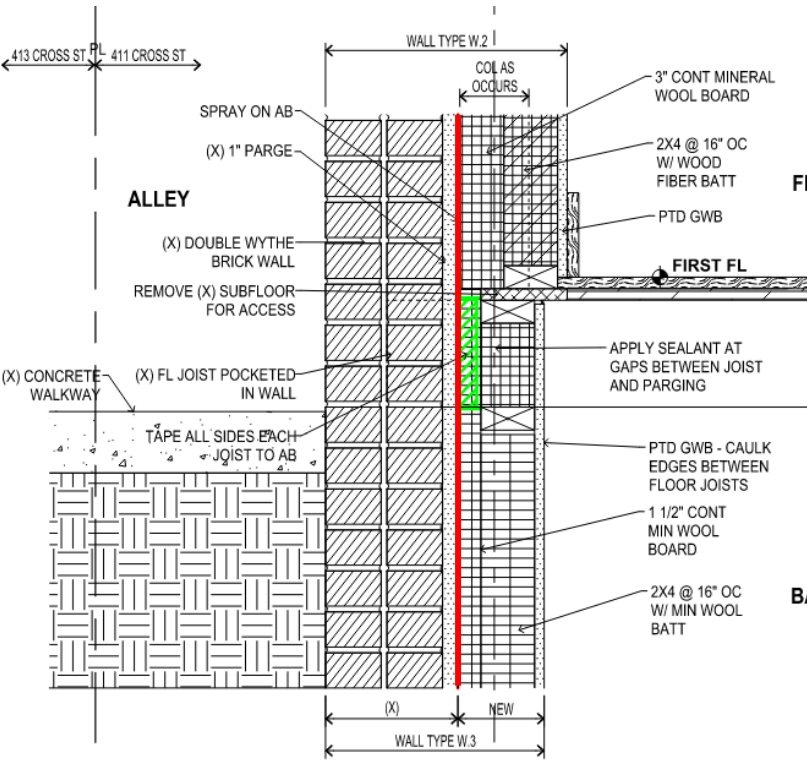


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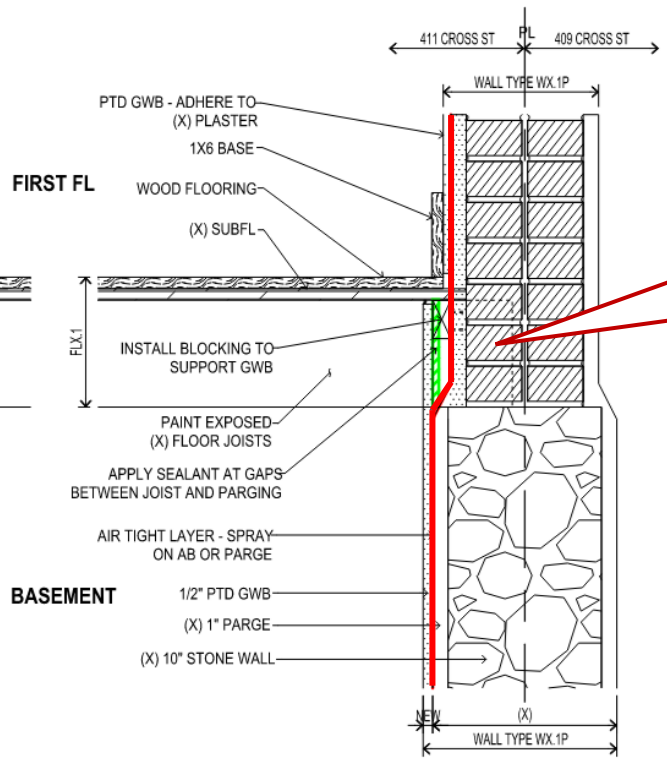


1A FRONT WINDOW SILL & HEAD
1/2" = 1'-0"





5 FIRST FL AT ALLEY
1 1/2" = 1'-0"



3 FIRST FL AT PARTY WALL
1 1/2" = 1'-0"

**Joist pockets
in party wall**



Phius REVIVE 2024 Certification

Phius REVIVE 2021 Feasibility Study 9-18-24

WUFI Passive energy model

Phius CORE 2021 Performance

Phius REVIVE 2024 Feasibility Study 1-22-25

REVIVEcalc energy model

2021 IECC Performance

Phius 2021 Standard

Performance Requirements

Passive Conservation Criteria (Climate Specific)

Annual Heating Demand kBTU/ft²yr

Annual Cooling Demand kBTU/ft²yr

Peak Heating Load BTU/ft²yr

Peak Cooling Load BTU/ft²yr

Airtightness Requirements (per sf of gross enclosure surface area)

.060 CMF₅₀/ft² + .110 CMF₇₅/ft²

Active Conservation Requirements

Net Source Energy Demand (renewable energy)

Lighting, Appliance & Equipment Efficiencies

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7 Key Requirements

1. **Quality assurance / commissioning**
2. **Existing building assessment**
3. **End direct emissions** (electrify ASAP)
4. **Summer and winter resilience**, with generation / storage
5. **Repair existing hazards** - IAQ (site hazards mostly elective)
6. **Life-cycle calculations for carbon and cost** (REVIVEcalc / ADORB)
ADORB = Annualized Decarbonization Of Retrofitted Buildings = PV / N
7. **Report project data** - cost and post-retrofit measure energy performance

Phius REVIVE 2024 FEASIBILITY STUDY

*ADORB = Annualized Decarbonization Of Retrofitted
Buildings = PV / N , $N=70$ years*

Retaining masonry walls is a major embodied carbon savings, although the embodied carbon savings are not directly measured in the ADORB model, UNLESS the REVIVEcalc analysis includes these cases:

- a. Rewild site
- b. Retrofit to building code compliance
- c. Retrofit to Phius REVIVE standard
- d. Demolish and rebuild with low-carbon construction



Decarbonization: ADORB

Annualized Decarbonization of Retrofitted Buildings

Cost Metric = Sum of these annualized costs:

- Direct energy cost. e.g. site kWh * \$ / kWh = \$
- Direct building retrofit measures cost (material & labor)
including building-level electrification cost. e.g. ft³ of stuff * \$ / ft³ = \$
- Cost of carbon -- upfront/embodied. CO₂e kg * \$0.25/kg = \$
- Cost of carbon – operating. CO₂e kg * \$0.25/kg = \$
- Energy system transition cost. Ex. new solar + storage. \$/W * W = \$

"FULL COST
ACCOUNTING"

**Criterion – Proposed cost is no greater than Baseline
(existing) cost**

Plus additional decarbonization effort

- Electrification, renewable sources
- Embodied carbon

| phius FS-182 Cross St Passive House 9/19/2024 | | | |
|---|---------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Building Information | | Units | |
| Building Address: | | 411 Cross Street Philadelphia, PA 19147 | |
| Phius Climate Data Set: | | Philadelphia International Airport PA | |
| Exterior Envelope Area: | | 5,264.95 | |
| Interior Conditioned Floor Area: (ICFA) | | 1,671.15 | |
| Window-to-Wall Ratio: | | 0.15 | |
| Number of Stories Above Grade: | | 3 | |
| Number of Dwelling Units: | | 1 | |
| Number of Bedrooms: | | 2 | |
| Building Information | | Units | |
| Fuel Type: | | Electricity | |
| Site-to-Source Energy Factor: | | 1.8* | |
| Envelope | 2021 IECC | Phius CORE 2021 | Units |
| Roof: | 48.5 / 0.02 | 48.5 / 0.02 | R-value / U-value (effective) |
| Uninsulated Party Walls: | 3.4 / 0.24 | 3.4 / 0.24 | |
| Existing Above-Grade Walls: | 23.2 / 0.041 | 33.0 / 0.029 | |
| New 3rd Flr Above Grade Walls: | 26.1 / 0.037 | 32.2 / 0.03 | |
| New 3rd Flr Party Wall: | 20.3 / 0.047 | 26.32 / 0.037 | |
| Basement Slab: | Uninsulated | Uninsulated | U-value / SHGC |
| Windows (Alpen Zenith): | 0.155 / 0.33 | 0.155 / 0.33 | |
| Fixed Windows (Alpen Zenith): | 0.149 / 0.33 | 0.149 / 0.33 | |
| Glazed doors (Alpen Zenith): | 0.179 / 0.333 | 0.179 / 0.333 | |
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| Airtightness | 2021 IECC | Phius CORE 2021 | Units |
| Envelope Airtightness: | 0.28 | 0.06 | cfm50/ft ² (envelope) |
| Lighting | 2021 IECC | Phius CORE 2021 | Units |
| Interior: | 597 | | kWh/yr |
| Exterior: | 36.7 | | kWh/yr |
| Appliances | 2021 IECC | Phius CORE 2021 | Units |
| Refrigerator: | 445 | 445 | kWh/yr |
| Dishwasher: | 270 | 270 | kWh/yr |
| Clothes Washer: | 120 / 0.27 | 120 / 2.7 | kWh/yr / MEF |
| Clothes Dryer: | 5.79 | 5.79 | kWh/yr / MEF |
| Electric Loads | 2021 IECC | Phius CORE 2021 | Units |
| Total MELs: | 1,657 | | kWh/yr |
| Ventilation | 2021 IECC | Phius CORE 2021 | Units |
| Continuous Ventilation: | 95 / 95 | 60 / 60 | Supply cfm / Exhaust cfm |
| Direct Exhaust: | 200 | 200 | Kitchen Exhaust Hood cfm |
| MECH Systems | 2021 IECC | Phius CORE 2021 | Units |
| Generic ERV: | 76% | 84% | Sensible Recovery Efficiency |
| | 40% | 40% | Latent Recovery Efficiency |
| | 0.50 | 0.50 | W/cfm |
| Generic Heat Pump: | 2.7 | 2.7 | COP at 17F |
| | 3.5 | 3.5 | COP at 47F |
| | 4 | 4 | Annual Cooling COP |
| Heat Pump Water Heater: | 3 | 3 | Annual COP |
| | 2.35 | 2.35 | HPWH EF |
| WUFI Passive Results | 2021 IECC | Phius CORE 2021 | Units |
| Site Energy Use Intensity (EUI) | 18.13 | 15.19 | kBtu/sf |
| Savings over Baseline EUI | - | 16% | |
| Source Energy | 5,329 | 4,463 | kWh/person.yr |
| Savings over Baseline Source Energy | - | 16% | |

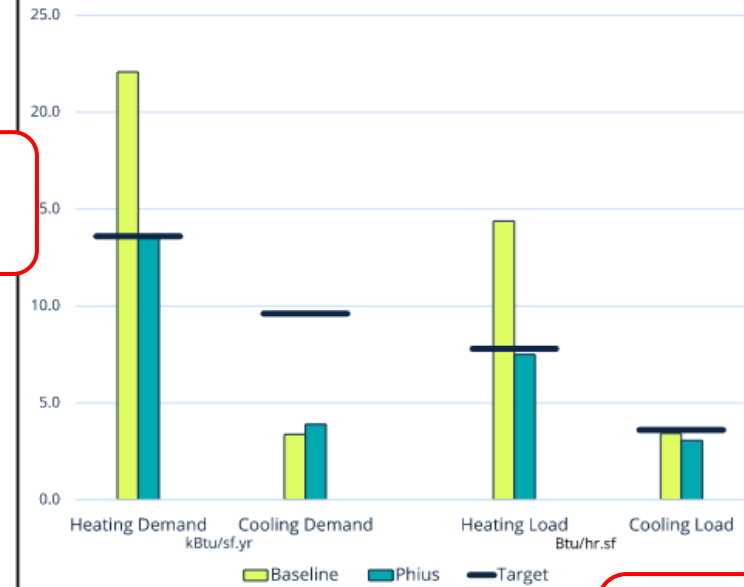
* The site-to-source energy factor of 1.8 is used per Phius' modeling protocol. Since the same factor is used between both cases, the savings over baseline percentage remains accurate as a relative calculation.

Air Tightness Reqmts
2021 IECC =
.28cfm50/sf

Air Tightness Reqmts
Phius =
.06cfm50/sf

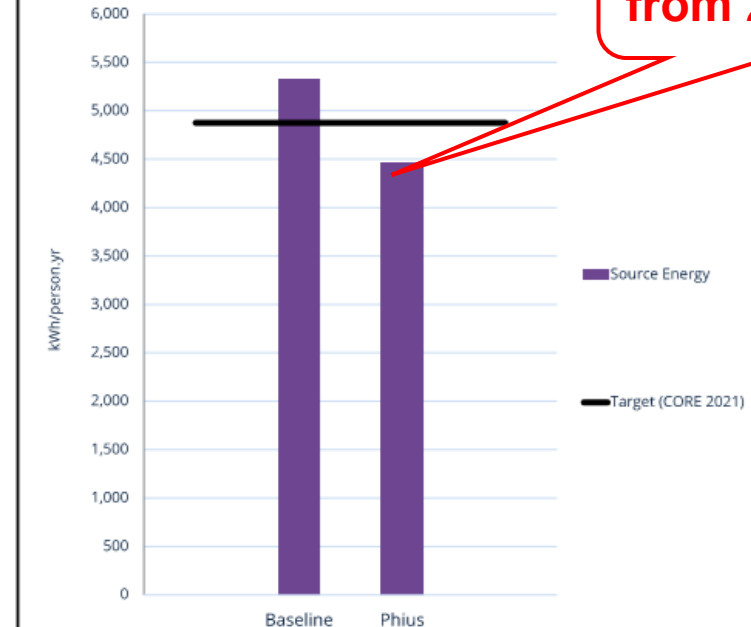
Additional Insulation Req'd

Space Conditioning Targets



16% Reduction from 2021 IECC

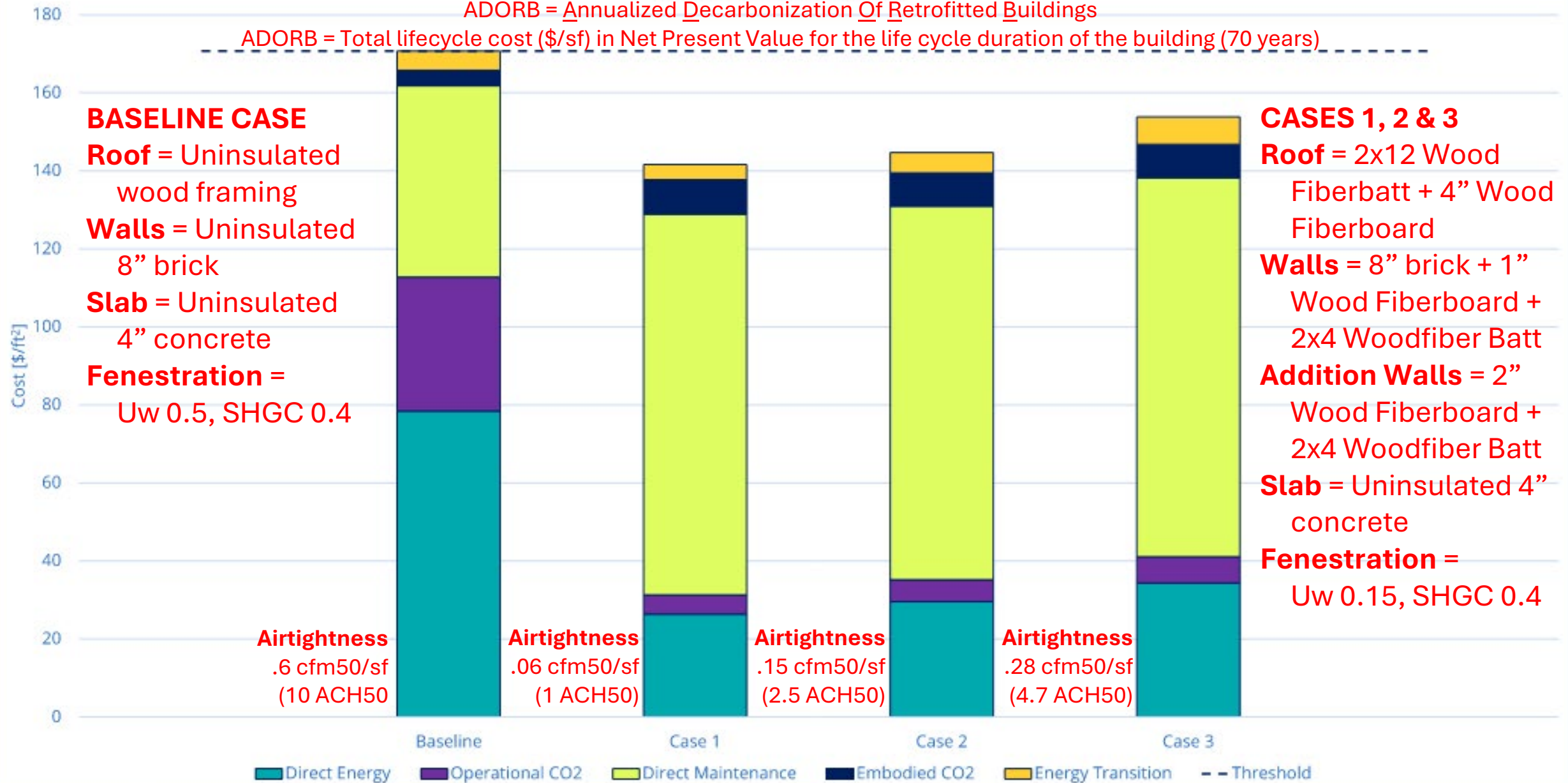
Source Energy



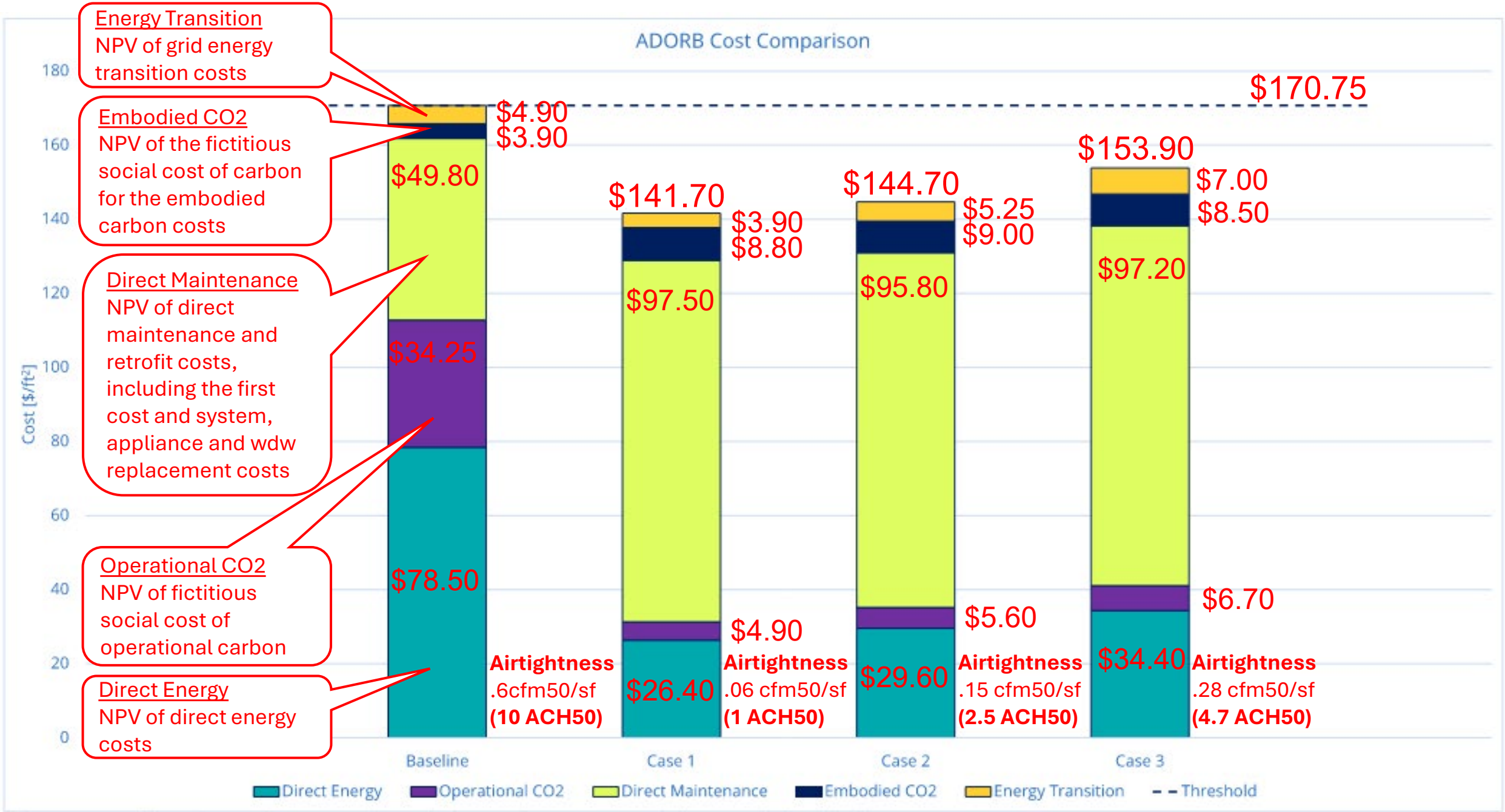
ADORB Cost Comparison

ADORB = Annualized Decarbonization Of Retrofitted Buildings

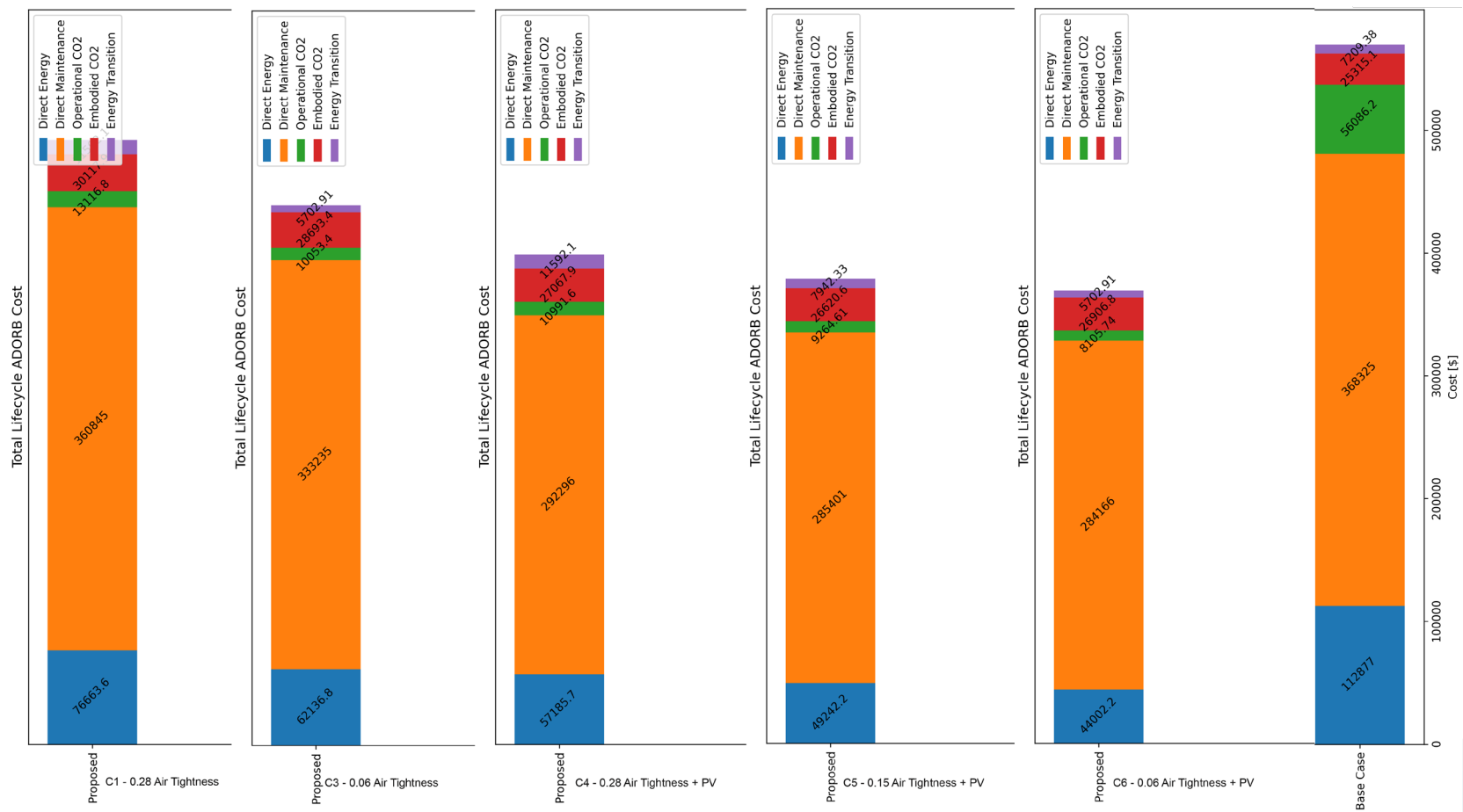
ADORB = Total lifecycle cost (\$/sf) in Net Present Value for the life cycle duration of the building (70 years)



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Why does energy modeling matter?

We are working towards a comfortable indoor environment which uses less carbon over a long period of time as compared to if we did not retrofit the building.

How do we model energy?

The proposed retrofits use healthy, low-embodied carbon materials, and operate on electrified systems.

To understand if we as designers are doing this, we need to:

Enclosure:

Quantify how well the materials we use resist thermal heat transfer through conduction, radiation and convection. We look at materials' conductivity values and specific heat to understand the thermal movement in the building.

Building Systems:

Quantify heat and cooling systems' efficiencies, and the latent and sensible heat recovery of the energy recovery ventilator.

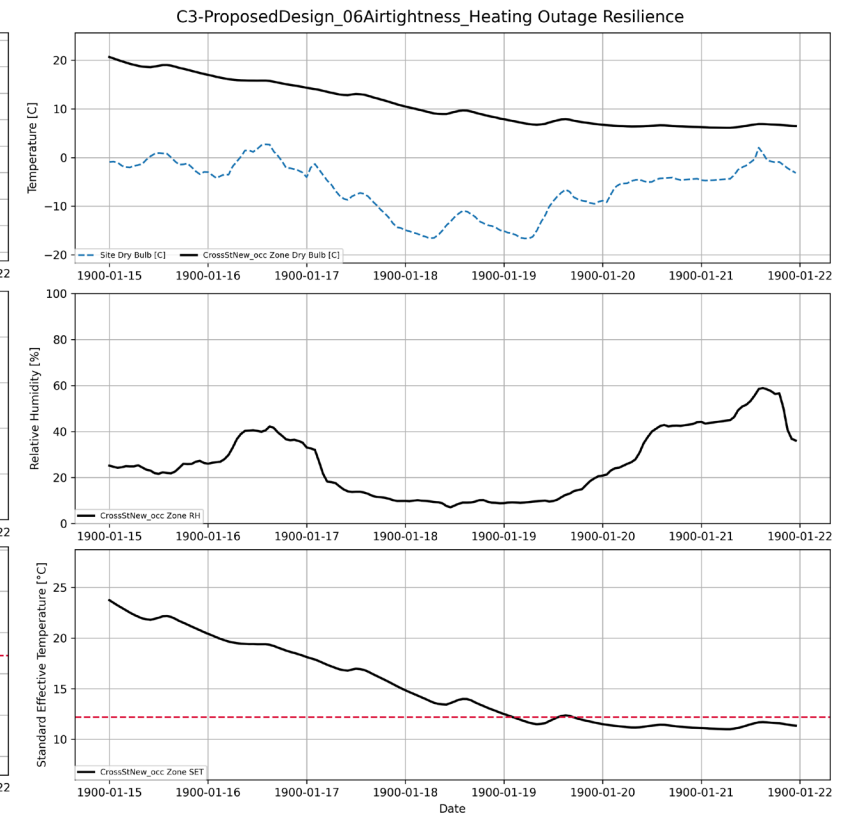
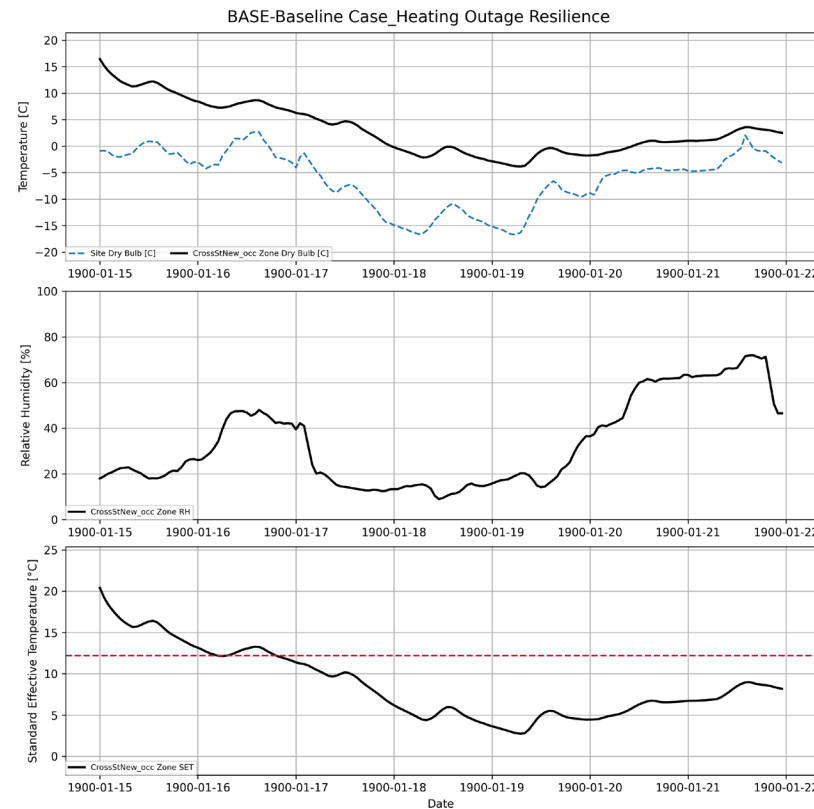
Loads:

Input occupancy, lighting and plug loads and set temperatures. Much of this in REVIVECalc is handled with the EnergyPlus base file that PHIUS has created.

How is it interesting?

Admittedly, looking at numbers can be inaccessible.

The energy model enables us to tweak our inputs on materials, building systems and air tightness and see how this affects the EUI (kBtu / sf*year), carbon emissions, and resiliency.



What's new about ReviveCalc?



Figure 1 – Direct GHG Emissions Factors for the U.S. and Canada

| Fuel Type | CO ₂ eq Emissions | | |
|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| | United States | Canada | |
| | (kg/MBtu) | (kg/MBtu) | (g/L) |
| Natural Gas | 53.11 | | By Province |
| Propane | 61.95 | 64.37 | 1,544 |
| Fuel Oil (No. 1) | 73.49 | 75.10 | 2,762 |
| Fuel Oil (No. 2) | 74.2 | 75.10 | 2,762 |
| Fuel Oil (No. 4) | 75.28 | 75.10 | 2,762 |
| Fuel Oil (No. 5,6) | 74.26 | 78.81 | 3,175 |
| Diesel Oil | 75.16 | 73.98 | 2,689 |
| Kerosene | 75.44 | 71.93 | 2,569 |
| Coal (anthracite) | 104.42 | 122.43 | - |
| Coal (bituminous) | 94.01 | 100.50 | - |
| Coke | 114.40 | 116.34 | - |



Carbon Quantification of Materials and Operation Over Time:

REVIVECalc quantifies the amount of carbon a building will use over 70 years. As designers, we need to come up with a construction cost, which includes labor. Currently, the model is using this number to extrapolate carbon costs, although there is an additional input of CO₂_per_area (kg/sm).

Energy Sources – Carbon Quantification:

The energy costs and supply are modeled, and the projected decarbonization of electricity is modeled over 70 years. This gives us an idea of how the building's consumption of energy over 70 years (operational carbon) stacks against other options, and takes into account the decarbonization of the electrical grid.

Dynamic Heat Load Calculation:

The calculation is a dynamic heat load calculation based on hourly data for a one year, captured in EPW or Energy Plus Weather data files and TMY files for Typical Meteorological Year based on location (NREL). (WUFI is a static calculation that considers average monthly temperatures.)

Extreme Weather Conditions and Resiliency, Survivability:

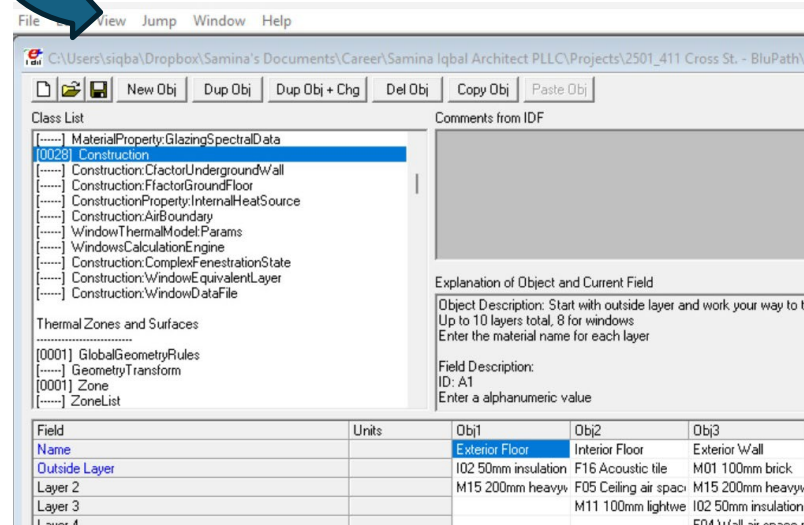
Weather data files are modified for extreme weather conditions. REVIVECalc considers the building performance during extreme conditions for one week in the summer and one week in the winter, and the building must be survivable.

Thermal Bridges:

Thermal bridges are added into one total value. Hygrothermal modeling is not part of the calculation.

How is REVIVECalc working?

Energy Plus
IDF Editor.
Useful in
debugging the
geometry file.



Uses EnergyPlus:

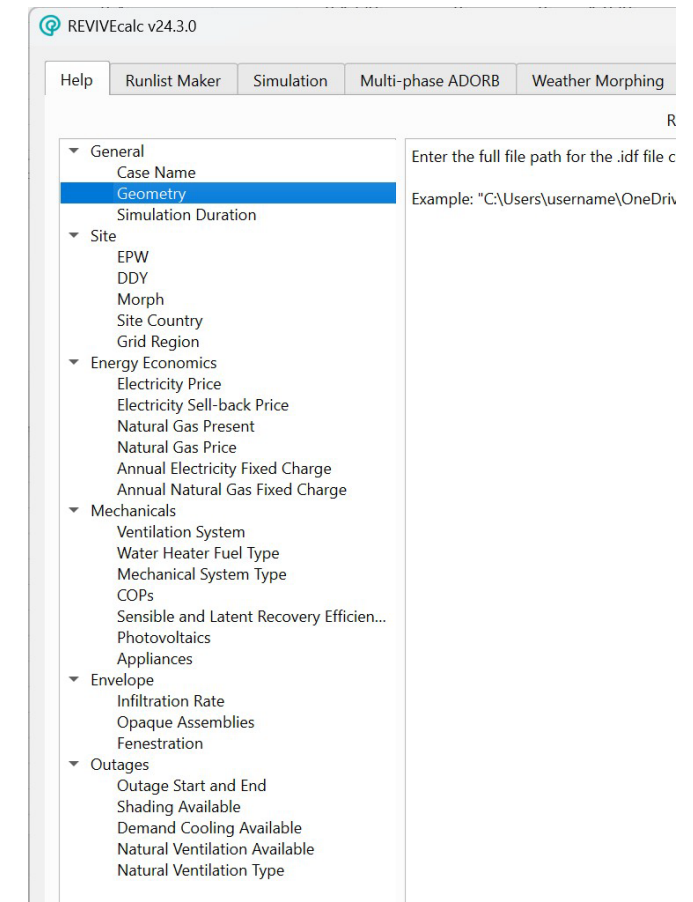
Phius REVIVE Standard uses the DOE EnergyPlus 9.5 software as the background engine for the heating and cooling load calculations.

Phius REVIVECalc is a new software layer on top the EnergyPlus engine:

REVIVECalc is new software written by Phius in Python and uses the Energy Plus results while doing more calculations and providing an interface to build the cases and understand results.

The help videos are essential!

<https://vimeo.com/user/129352609/folder/19374392?isPrivate=false>



Takeaways for the Philly rowhome:

Airtightness is Crucial:

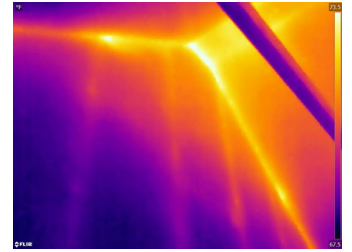
By making a tighter envelope, the resiliency, EUI and carbon costs are improved, and winter survivability is made possible.

Battery-Powered Demand Cooling is Required for Summer Survivability:

Relying only on natural ventilation is not enough to prevent deadly days, which must be 0.

Changes in Floor Area Must be Considered True Comparison:

Cost per unit of conditioned floor area - (based on GSF, this is $\$368,883.20 / 1587 \text{ sf} = 232.44 \text{ \$/sf}$ for .06 air infiltration with PV, and $\$569,812.67 / 1441 \text{ sf} = 395.43$ for the existing)



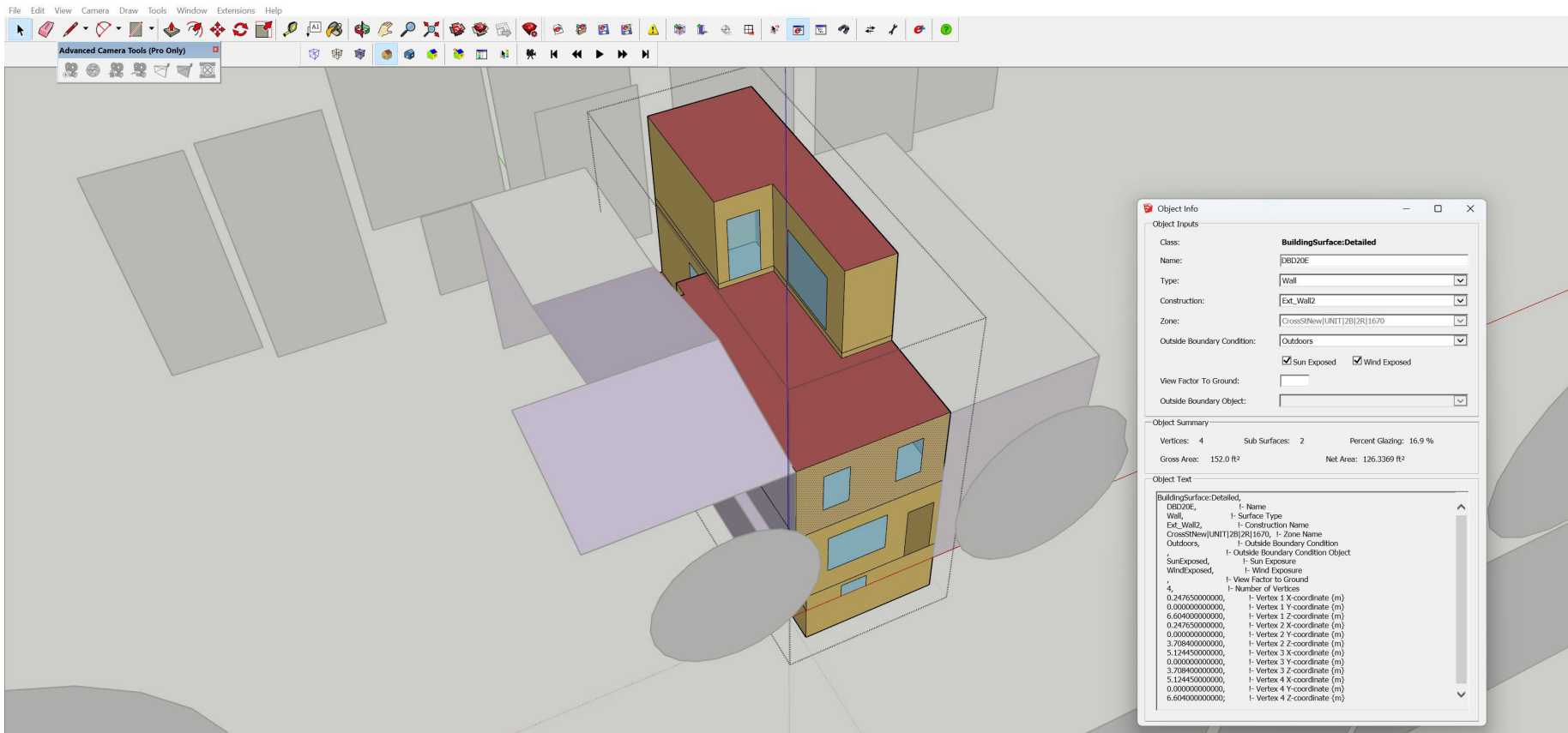
| Result Review | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------|------------|------------------|
| Top Cases from Runlist: | | | | | | |
| | Case Name | SET hours | Deadly Days | EUI | First Cost | Total ADORB Cost |
| 1 | C6-ProposedDesign_06Airtightness_PV | 49.66 | 0 | 16.74 | 110224.47 | 368883.20 |
| 2 | C5-ProposedDesign_15Airtightness_PV | 209.2 | 0 | 18.55 | 107827.11 | 378470.85 |
| 3 | C3-ProposedDesign_06Airtightness | 49.66 | 0 | 16.74 | 112904.63 | 439821.67 |
| 4 | C2-ProposedDesign_15Airtightness | 209.2 | 0 | 18.55 | 112117.67 | 458841.51 |
| 5 | C4-ProposedDesign_28Airtightness_PV | 404.33 | 0 | 21.2 | 109186.24 | 399133.38 |

Winter
Survivability –
SET Hours
must be less
than 216

Summer
Survivability –
No Deadly
Days
permitted

REVIVECalc: Order of Operations

1. Model the geometry in Sketchup using the OpenStudio Plug-in.
 - Associate types to each component (Ext_Wall1, etc.). These types are parameters for the model. This parameterization allows for quick changes of the actual assembly types to be made in the Run List later, before simulation.



REVIVECalc: Order of Operations

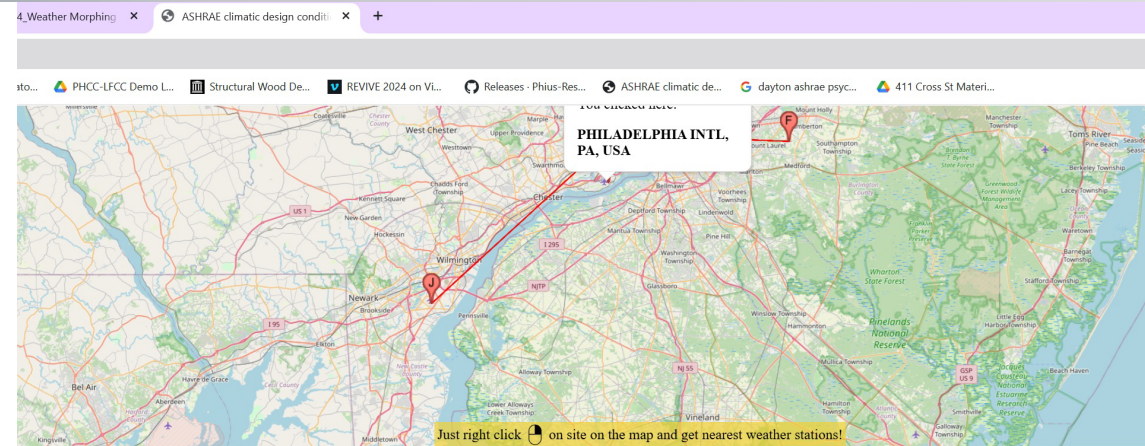
1. Model the geometry in Sketchup using the OpenStudio Plug-in.



REVIVECalc: Order of Operations

2. Set up the weather data.

- The Energy Plus Weather (EPW) file is a compilation of the most average months over 30 years. ReviveCalc takes into account the statistical extreme temperature weeks for summer and winter to check for resilience and survivability.
- This is done in the Weather Morphing Tab, and then the EPW file is modified.



2021 ASHRAE Handbook - Fundamentals (SI)

| PHILADELPHIA INTL, PA, USA (WMO: 724080) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|-------|--------------------|--------|--|---------------------|------------|---------------|-----------------------|-------|------------|-----------------------|----------------|-----|------------|--|-----------------|--|
| Lat:39.873N | | | Long:75.227W | | | Elev:3 | | StdP: 101.29 | | | Time zone:-5.00 (NAE) | | | Period:94-19 | | | WBAN:13739 | | Climate zone:4A | |
| Annual Heating, Humidification, and Ventilation Design Conditions | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Coldest Month | Heating DB | | Humidification DP/MCDB and HR | | | | | | | | Coldest month WS/MCDB | | | MCWS/PCWD to 99.6% DB | | WSF | | | | |
| | | | 99.6% | | | | 99% | | | | 0.4% | | 1% | | | | | | | |
| | 99.6% | 99% | DP | HR | MCDB | DP | HR | MCDB | WS | MCDB | WS | MCDB | MCWS | PCWD | | | | | | |
| 1 | -10.1 | -7.9 | -20.7 | 0.6 | -8.4 | -18.3 | 0.7 | -6.2 | 12.8 | 1.1 | 11.8 | 1.5 | 5.6 | 290 | 0.509 | | | | | |
| Annual Cooling, Dehumidification, and Enthalpy Design Conditions | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hottest Month | Hottest Month DB Range | Cooling DB/MCWB | | | | | | Evaporation WB/MCDB | | | | | | MCWS/PCWD to 0.4% DB | | | | | | |
| | | 0.4% | | 1% | | 2% | | 0.4% | | 1% | | 2% | | | | | | | | |
| | | DB | MCWB | DB | MCWB | DB | MCWB | WB | MCDB | WB | MCDB | WB | MCDB | MCWS | PCWD | | | | | |
| 7 | 9.0 | 34.1 | 23.9 | 32.7 | 23.3 | 31.3 | 22.5 | 25.6 | 31.3 | 24.8 | 29.9 | 24.2 | 28.7 | 5.3 | 220 | | | | | |
| Dehumidification DP/MCDB and HR | | | | | | | | | | Enthalpy/MCDB | | | | | Extreme Max WB | | | | | |
| 0.4% | | 1% | | 2% | | 0.4% | | 1% | | 2% | | | | | | | | | | |
| DP | HR | MCDB | DP | HR | MCDB | DP | HR | MCDB | Enth | MCDB | Enth | MCDB | Enth | MCDB | | | | | | |
| 24.0 | 18.9 | 28.1 | 23.3 | 18.1 | 27.3 | 22.7 | 17.4 | 26.8 | 78.5 | 31.4 | 75.2 | 29.8 | 72.5 | 28.9 | 30.2 | | | | | |
| Extreme Annual Design Conditions | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Extreme Annual WS | | | Extreme Annual Temperature | | | | n-Year Return Period Values of Extreme Temperature | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Mean | | Standard deviation | | n=5 years | | n=10 years | | n=20 years | | n=50 years | | | | | | | |
| | | | 1% | 2.5% | 5% | Min | Max | Min | Max | Min | Max | Min | Max | Min | Max | | | | | |
| 11.1 | 9.5 | 8.5 | DB | -13.0 | 36.4 | 3.0 | 1.6 | -15.1 | 37.5 | -16.8 | 38.5 | -18.5 | 39.4 | -20.7 | 40.6 | | | | | |
| | | | WB | -14.3 | 27.0 | 2.7 | 1.2 | -16.2 | 27.8 | -17.8 | 28.5 | -19.4 | 29.1 | -21.4 | 30.0 | | | | | |
| Monthly Climatic Design Conditions | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Temperatures, Degree-Days and Degree-Hours | | Annual | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | | | | | | |
| | | DBAvg | 13.8 | 1.0 | 2.3 | 6.7 | 12.8 | 18.1 | 23.2 | 26.1 | 25.1 | 21.4 | 14.9 | 8.8 | 4.0 | | | | | |
| | | DBStd | 9.70 | 5.53 | 5.07 | 4.96 | 4.54 | 4.07 | 3.42 | 2.71 | 2.68 | 3.49 | 4.25 | 4.51 | 4.78 | | | | | |
| | | HDD10.0 | 929 | 284 | 219 | 128 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 75 | 196 | | | | | |
| | | HDD18.3 | 2450 | 538 | 448 | 363 | 174 | 56 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 123 | 287 | 446 | | | | | |
| | | CDD10.0 | 2298 | 4 | 4 | 24 | 106 | 251 | 397 | 498 | 468 | 341 | 158 | 38 | 9 | | | | | |
| | | CDD18.3 | 779 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 9 | 48 | 151 | 239 | 210 | 103 | 17 | 1 | 0 | | | | | |
| | | CDH23.3 | 6787 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 98 | 423 | 1308 | 2360 | 1824 | 673 | 91 | 1 | 0 | | | | | |
| CDH26.7 | 2484 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 27 | 131 | 473 | 989 | 664 | 186 | 14 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | |

REVIVECalc: Order of Operations

3. Input materials using roughness, thickness (m), conductivity (W/mk), density (kg/m³), and specific heat capacity (J/kgK).
 - Be careful of units if using material specifications that have R values for total thicknesses!
 - Specific heat is often not published. Use ASHRAE tables, or Matweb.com.
 - Get a feel for the numbers! This will help you notice errors!

| 1 | NAME | ROUGHNESS | THICKNESS [m] | CONDUCTIVITY [W/mK] | DENSITY [kg/m ³] | SPECIFIC HEAT CAPACITY [J/kgK] |
|----|-------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 41 | 39 3in Wood Fiberboard | MediumRough | 0.0762 | 0.0481 | 320 | 1880 |
| 42 | 40 0.5in gypsum board | MediumSmooth | 0.0127 | 0.16 | 800 | 1090 |
| 43 | 41 FG 5.5in | MediumRough | 0.1397 | 0.0438 | 64 | 960 |
| 44 | 42 0.625in gypsum board | MediumSmooth | 0.0159 | 0.16 | 800 | 1090 |
| 45 | 43 FG 3.5in | MediumRough | 0.089 | 0.0438 | 64 | 960 |
| 46 | 44 MWBoard 1.5 in | MediumRough | 0.038 | 0.036 | 60 | 850 |
| 47 | 45 MWBatt 3.5in | MediumRough | 0.089 | 0.04 | 60 | 850 |
| 48 | 46 4in Wood Fiberboard | MediumRough | 0.102 | 0.0481 | 320 | 1880 |
| 49 | 47 11.25in Woodfibre batts | MediumRough | 0.286 | 0.04 | 300 | 1500 |
| 50 | 48 XPS 3in | MediumSmooth | 0.0762 | 0.0288 | 40 | 1500 |
| 51 | 49 2in Wood Fiberboard | MediumRough | 0.0508 | 0.0481 | 320 | 1880 |
| 52 | 50 1in Wood Fiberboard | MediumRough | 0.254 | 0.0481 | 320 | 1880 |
| 53 | 51 GreenFiber DP Cellulose 4in | MediumSmooth | 0.1016 | 0.038978703 | 32.04 | 900 |
| 54 | 52 TimberHP TimberBatt 11.25in | MediumRough | 0.28575 | 0.0360553 | 72.08325 | 2100 |
| 55 | 53 ACFoam II Polyiso 2in | MediumSmooth | 0.0508 | 0.024444271 | 32.04 | 900 |
| 56 | 54 ACFoam II Polyiso 1/2 in | MediumSmooth | 0.0127 | 0.024444271 | 32.04 | 900 |
| 57 | 54 ACFoam II Polyiso 4in | MediumSmooth | 0.1016 | 0.024444271 | 32.04 | 900 |
| 58 | 54 TimberHP TimberBatt 7.25in | MediumRough | 0.18415 | 0.0360553 | 72.08325 | 2100 |
| 59 | 55 Insultech R-Tech X EPS 15psi 3in | MediumSmooth | 0.0762 | 0.020603029 | 21.624975 | 1300 |
| 60 | 56 Low-GWP CC SPF 7.25in | Rough | 0.18415 | 0.021525552 | 32.037 | 920 |
| 61 | 57 Low-GWP CC SPF 2in | Rough | 0.0508 | 0.021525552 | 32.037 | 920 |
| 62 | 58 Mineral Wool Panel 3in | MediumRough | 0.0762 | 0.033539814 | 128 | 850 |

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4. Create construction assemblies referencing the materials.

- Create descriptive names! Carefully reference material names!
- Determine construction costs – contractor estimates, adding material costs, and <https://remdb.nrel.gov>
- Lifetime of the assembly must be estimated. This will affect the Present Value Direct Maintenance Cost in the ADORB calculation.
- Labor is included as a fraction of the total cost.

[illegible]

REVIVECalc: Order of Operations

5. Create the simulation cases in the Run List.

- Mechanical system information, PV information, and energy source is input here.
- Construction assemblies are associated to model parameters here. They can be different for every case.

The screenshot displays the REVIVECalc software interface for creating simulation cases. The left sidebar features a tree view with the following items: General (selected), Site, Energy Economics, Mechanicals, Envelope, and Outages. Below the tree view are two sections: 'Runlist Options Source' and 'Export'.

Runlist Options Source:

- ☒ Load Phius options
- ☐ Load custom options from database:
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Export:

- ☒ Create New Runlist
- ☐ Add to Existing Runlist:

Main Content Area:

General Tab:

- Case Name:
- Geometry File:
- Simulation Duration (Years): 50

Site Tab:

- EPW File:
- DDY File:
- Morph Factor 1 - Dry Bulb [°C]: 0.00
- Morph Factor 1 - Dewpoint [°C]: 0.00
- Morph Factor 2 - Dry Bulb [°C]: 0.00

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5. The Run List is also an csv file!

| A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J | K | L | M | N | O | P | Q | R | S | T | U | V | W | X | Y | Z | AA | AB | AC | AD | AE | AF | AG | AH | AI | AJ | AK |
|----------------------|---------------|------------|-------|------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|------------|----------|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-------------|----------|---------|----------|-----------|---------|---------|----------|----------|------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----|
| CASE_NAME | GEOMETR | ANALYSIS | EPW | DDY | MorphFac | MorphFac | MorphFac | MorphFac | ENVELOPE | GRID_REG | ENVELOPE | PERF_CAR | NON_PERI | ELEC_PRICE | SELLBACK | NATURAL_GAS_PRICE | ANNUAL_C | ANNUAL_E | MECH_SYS | WATER_HE | VENT_SYS | HEATING | COOLING | SENSIBLE | LATENT_RI | PV_SIZE | PV_TILT | PV_AZIMU | APPLIANC | INFILTRATI | CHI_VALU | Operable_ | Operable_ | Operable_ | Operable_ | |
| BASE-Base C:/Users/s | 70 C:/Users/s | C:/Users/s | -3.53 | 1.79 | 8.48 | 2.32 | USA | RFCEc | 0.4 | | | | | 0.1779 | 0 | 1 | 1.373 | 0 | 200 | GasFurnac | NaturalGa | Exhaust | 0.7 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | FRIDGE | 36 | 0.6 | 0 | 48 | 0 | 39 |
| C1-Propos C:/Users/s | 70 C:/Users/s | C:/Users/s | -3.53 | 1.79 | 8.48 | 2.32 | USA | RFCEc | 0.4 | | | | | 0.1779 | 0 | 0 | 1.373 | 0 | 200 | PTHP | Electricity | Balanced | 3.1 | 4 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 1 | 0 | 0 | FRIDGE | 36 | 0.22 | 0 | 85 | 0 | 92 |
| C2-Propos C:/Users/s | 70 C:/Users/s | C:/Users/s | -3.53 | 1.79 | 8.48 | 2.32 | USA | RFCEc | 0.4 | | | | | 0.1779 | 0 | 0 | 1.373 | 0 | 200 | PTHP | Electricity | Balanced | 3.1 | 4 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 1 | 0 | 0 | FRIDGE | 36 | 0.15 | 0 | 85 | 0 | 92 |
| C3-Propos C:/Users/s | 70 C:/Users/s | C:/Users/s | -3.53 | 1.79 | 8.48 | 2.32 | USA | RFCEc | 0.4 | | | | | 0.1779 | 0 | 0 | 1.373 | 0 | 200 | PTHP | Electricity | Balanced | 3.1 | 4 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 1 | 0 | 0 | FRIDGE | 36 | 0.06 | 0 | 85 | 0 | 92 |
| C4-Propos C:/Users/s | 70 C:/Users/s | C:/Users/s | -3.53 | 1.79 | 8.48 | 2.32 | USA | RFCEc | 0.4 | | | | | 0.1779 | 0 | 0 | 1.373 | 0 | 200 | PTHP | Electricity | Balanced | 3.1 | 4 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 3300 | 30 | 180 | FRIDGE | 36 | 0.22 | 0 | 85 | 0 | 92 |
| C5-Propos C:/Users/s | 70 C:/Users/s | C:/Users/s | -3.53 | 1.79 | 8.48 | 2.32 | USA | RFCEc | 0.4 | | | | | 0.1779 | 0 | 0 | 1.373 | 0 | 200 | PTHP | Electricity | Balanced | 3.1 | 4 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 3300 | 30 | 180 | FRIDGE | 36 | 0.15 | 0 | 85 | 0 | 92 |
| C6-Propos C:/Users/s | 70 C:/Users/s | C:/Users/s | -3.53 | 1.79 | 8.48 | 2.32 | USA | RFCEc | 0.4 | | | | | 0.1779 | 0 | 0 | 1.373 | 0 | 200 | PTHP | Electricity | Balanced | 3.1 | 4 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 3300 | 30 | 180 | FRIDGE | 36 | 0.06 | 0 | 85 | 0 | 92 |

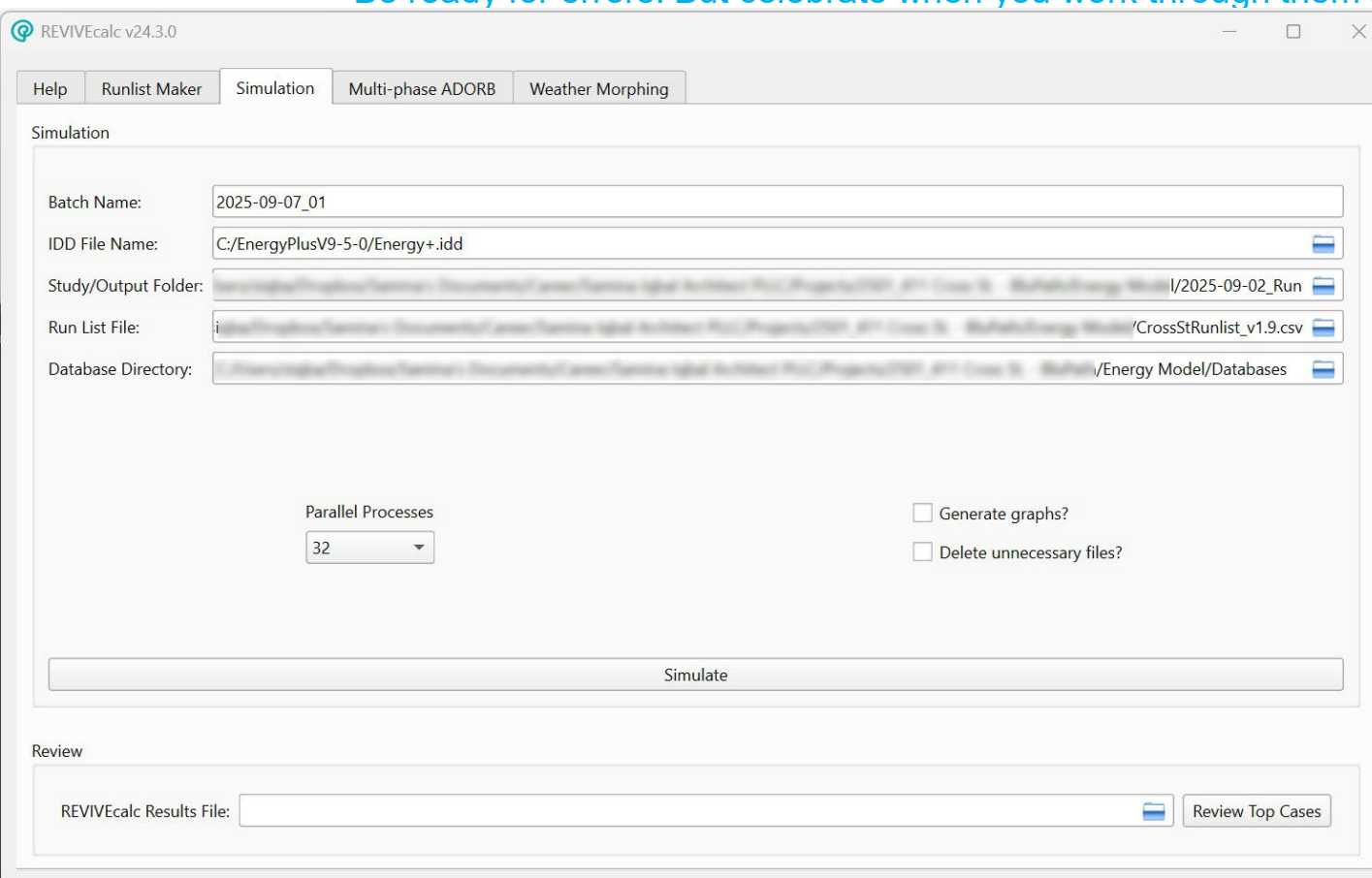
Wall types changed
for the base case and
the proposed cases

| AK | AL | AM | AN | AO | AP | AQ | AR | AS | AT | AU | AV | AW | AX | AY | AZ | BA | BB | BC | BD | BE | BF | BG | BH | BI | BJ | BK | BL | BM | BN | BO | BP | BQ | BR | |
|------------------------|---------|---------|------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------------------------|------------|-------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|------------------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Operable_ | FOUNDAT | FOUNDAT | FOUNDAT | FOUNDAT | EXT_WIND | EXT_WALL | EXT_ROOF | EXT_FLOOR | EXT_DOOF | INT_FLOOR | FOUNDAT | FOUNDAT | FOUNDAT | FOUNDAT | EXT_WIND | EXT_WALL | EXT_ROOF | EXT_FLOOR | EXT_DOOF | INT_FLOOR | FOUNDAT | FOUNDAT | FOUNDAT | FOUNDAT | EXT_WIND | EXT_WALL | EXT_ROOF | EXT_FLOOR | EXT_DOOF | INT_FLOOR | 1ST_OUTA | OUTAGE_1 | OUTAGE_1 | OUTAGE_1 |
| 8 Basement 0.5in gypsi | 0 | 0.01 | WINDOW_CS_Ext_wa | CS_Ext_Ro | CS_Ext_flo | CS_Ext_Dc | CS_Int_Floor_FLX.1 | | | | | | | | WINDOW_CS_Ext_wall6 | CS_Ext_flo | Exterior Door | | | | | | | WINDOW_CS_Ext_wall6 | | | | | | HEATING | 14-Jan | 21-Jan | | |
| 8 Basement 0.5in gypsi | 72 | 0.01 | WINDOW_CS_Ext_Wi | CS_Ext_Ro | CS_Ext_Flc | AlpenDoor | CS_Int_Floor_FLX.1 | | | | | | | | WINDOW_CS_Ext_Wall_W.2 | CS_Ext_Flc | AlpenDoor_HeritageGlass | | | | | | | WINDOW_CS_Ext_Wall_W.3 | | | | | | HEATING | 14-Jan | 21-Jan | | |
| 8 Basement 0.5in gypsi | 72 | 0.01 | WINDOW_CS_Ext_Wi | CS_Ext_Ro | CS_Ext_Flc | AlpenDoor | CS_Int_Floor_FLX.1 | | | | | | | | WINDOW_CS_Ext_Wall_W.2 | CS_Ext_Flc | AlpenDoor_HeritageGlass | | | | | | | WINDOW_CS_Ext_Wall_W.3 | | | | | | HEATING | 14-Jan | 21-Jan | | |
| 8 Basement 0.5in gypsi | 72 | 0.01 | WINDOW_CS_Ext_Wi | CS_Ext_Ro | CS_Ext_Flc | AlpenDoor | CS_Int_Floor_FLX.1 | | | | | | | | WINDOW_CS_Ext_Wall_W.2 | CS_Ext_Flc | AlpenDoor_HeritageGlass | | | | | | | WINDOW_CS_Ext_Wall_W.3 | | | | | | HEATING | 14-Jan | 21-Jan | | |
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6. Run the using the simulation tab in REVIVECalc.

- This is where all the parts and pieces are assembled!
- Be ready for errors. But celebrate when you work through them all and it runs!



The screenshot shows the REVIVECalc v24.3.0 application window with the 'Simulation' tab selected. The interface includes a menu bar with 'Help', 'Runlist Maker', 'Simulation', 'Multi-phase ADORB', and 'Weather Morphing'. The 'Simulation' section contains several input fields: 'Batch Name' (2025-09-07_01), 'IDD File Name' (C:/EnergyPlusV9-5-0/Energy+.idd), 'Study/Output Folder' (I/2025-09-02_Run), 'Run List File' (CrossStRunlist_v1.9.csv), and 'Database Directory' (I:/Energy Model/Databases). Below these fields, there is a 'Parallel Processes' dropdown menu set to '32', and two checkboxes: 'Generate graphs?' and 'Delete unnecessary files?'. A large 'Simulate' button is positioned at the bottom of the simulation section. The 'Review' section at the bottom includes a 'REVIVECalc Results File' input field and a 'Review Top Cases' button.

REVIVECalc v24.3.0

Help Runlist Maker Simulation Multi-phase ADORB Weather Morphing

Simulation

Batch Name: 2025-09-07_01

IDD File Name: C:/EnergyPlusV9-5-0/Energy+.idd

Study/Output Folder: I/2025-09-02_Run

Run List File: CrossStRunlist_v1.9.csv

Database Directory: I:/Energy Model/Databases

Parallel Processes: 32

☐ Generate graphs?

☐ Delete unnecessary files?

Simulate

Review

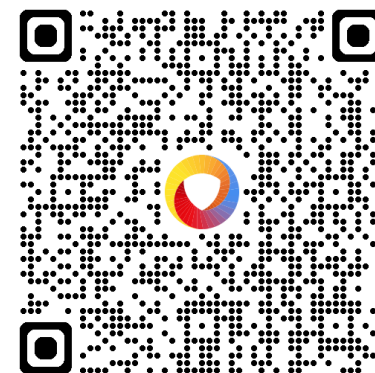
REVIVECalc Results File: Review Top Cases



Passive House + Living Future Communities
Phius REVIVE / Living Future Core

Demonstration Learning Series

<https://greenbuildingunited.org/news/alignment-through-the-language-of-carbon-a-crosswalk-exploration-of-phius-revive-and-living-future-core/>





**** Wood Fiber ****



Wool



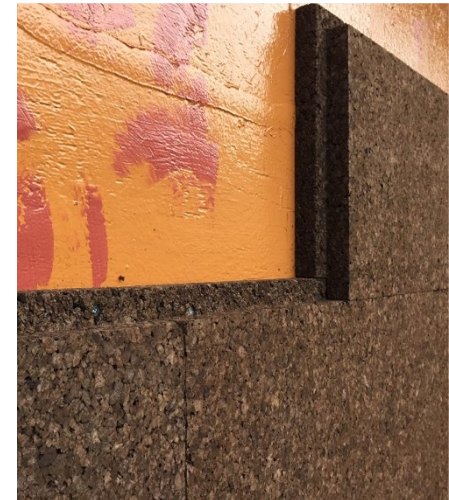
Fiberglass



Mineral Wool

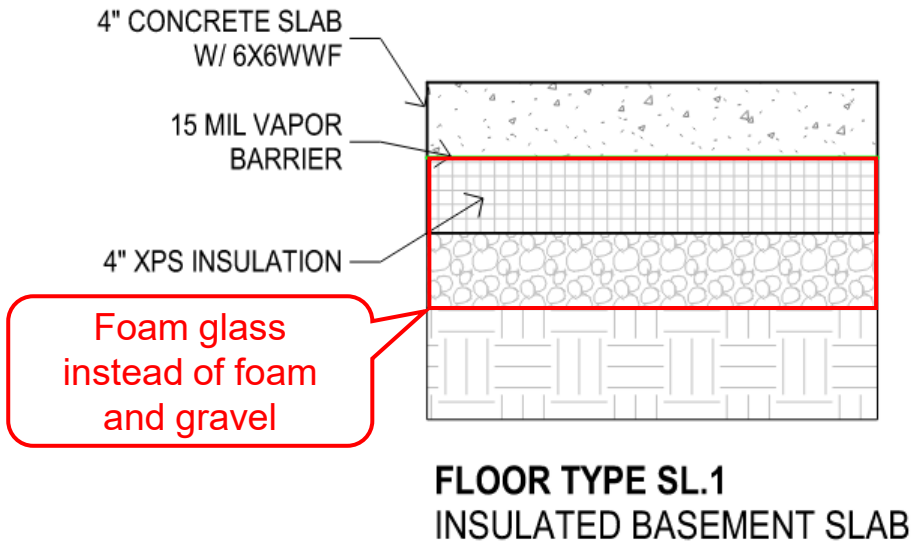


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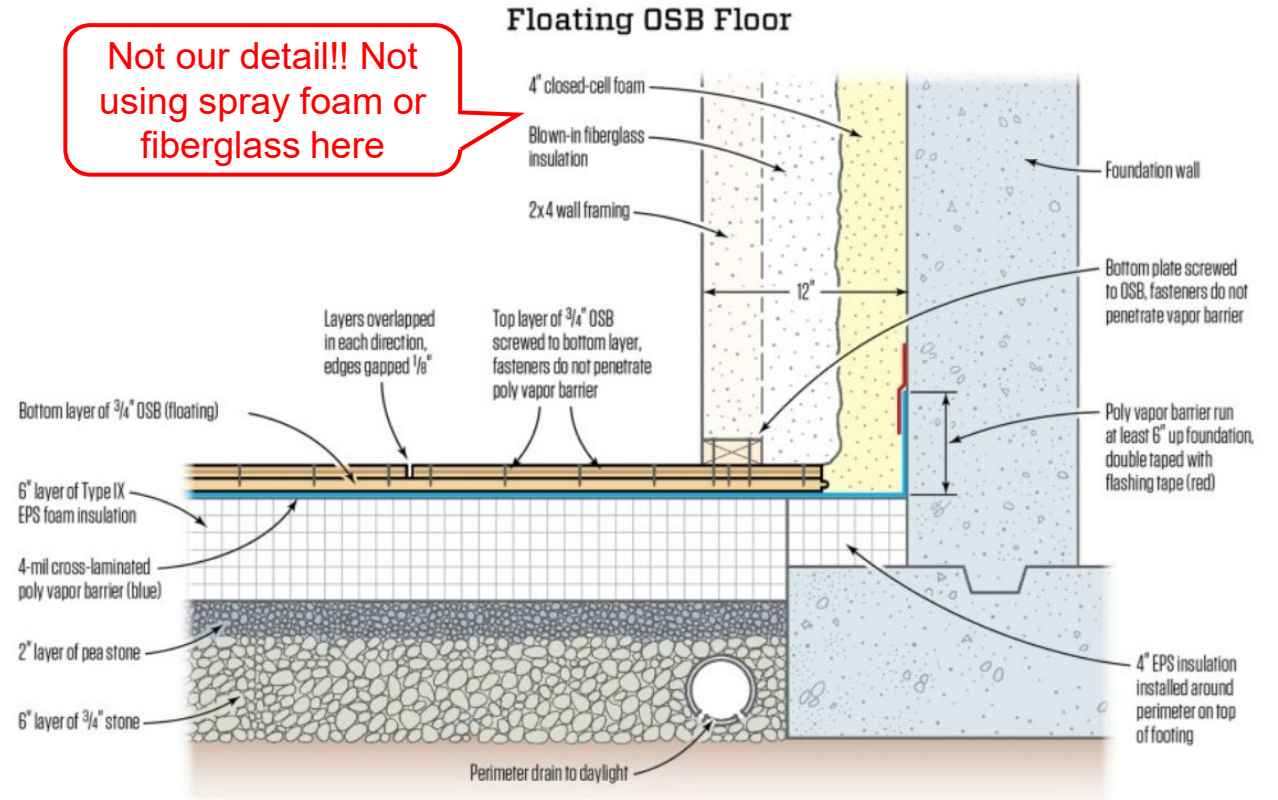


**** Cork ****

**** AGRI-BASED INSULATION****

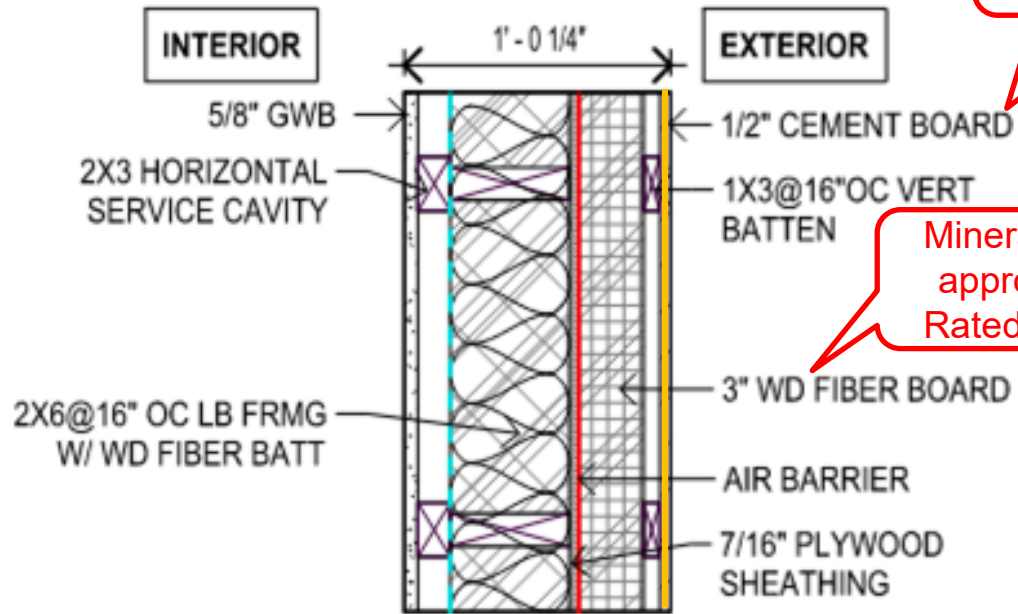


Basement Slab
Replaces Uninsulated Slab
= 529sf



Basement Wood Slab
Replaces 529sf
Concrete

INSULATED WOOD INSTEAD OF CONCRETE SLAB??



WALL TYPE W.1
THIRD FLOOR PH WALL
R-VALUE = R28.0



Wood Wall Framing

Vented Rainscreen at Addition = 386sf
1 hr Fire Separation at Prop Line = 313sf

Wood Wall Framing

Unvented Cork Facade at Addition = 386sf
Class B Fire Separation at Prop Line = 313sf

CORK INSTEAD OF CEMENT BOARD ??



DW.1
GE GDT650SYV_SMV



FRZ.1
Samsung RZ11M7074SA



MW.1
GE JVM7195SK



RANGE.1
GE PB965YP_BP



RANGE.1ALT
GE PHS93EYPFS

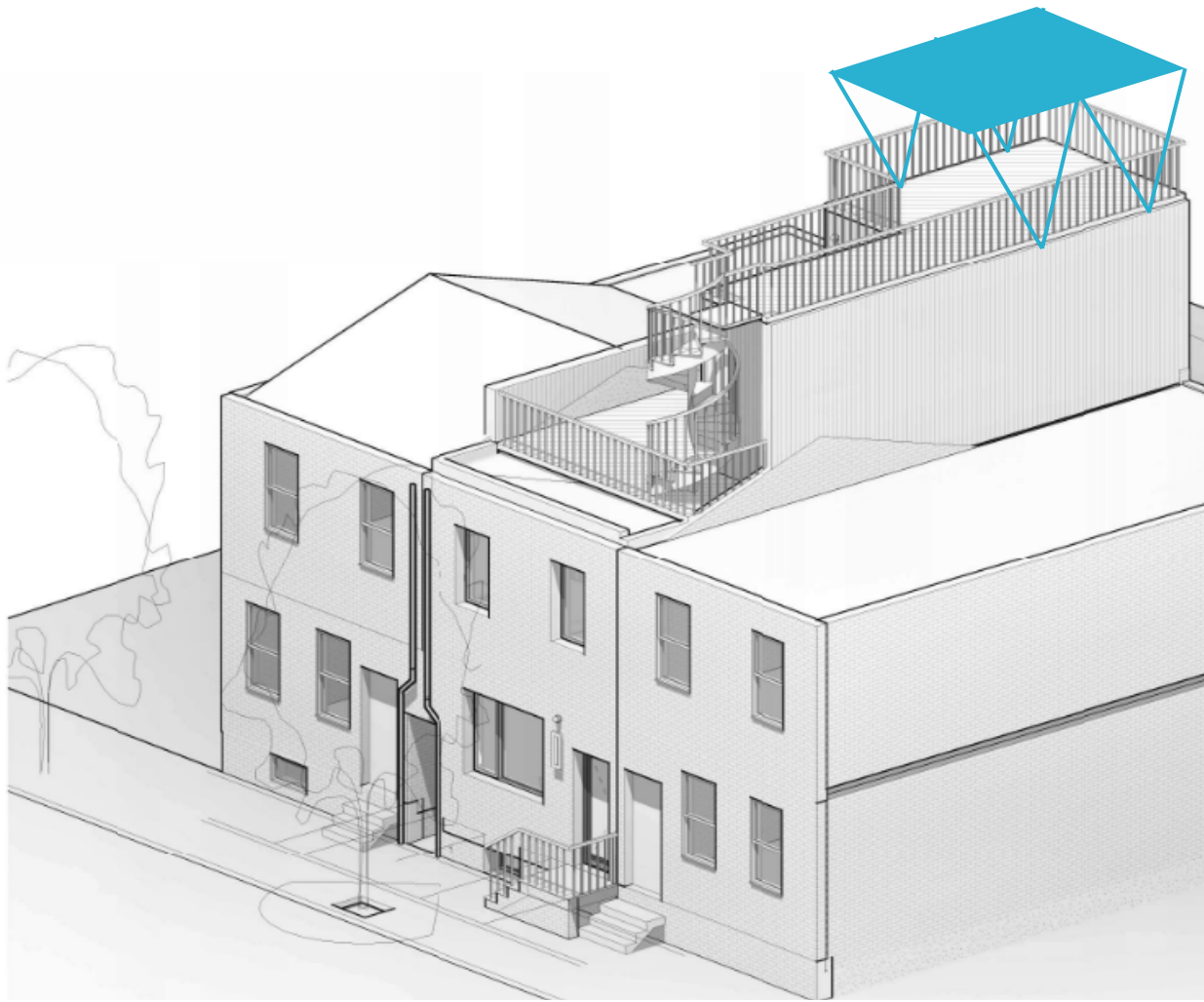


WD.1
GE PFQ97HSPVDS

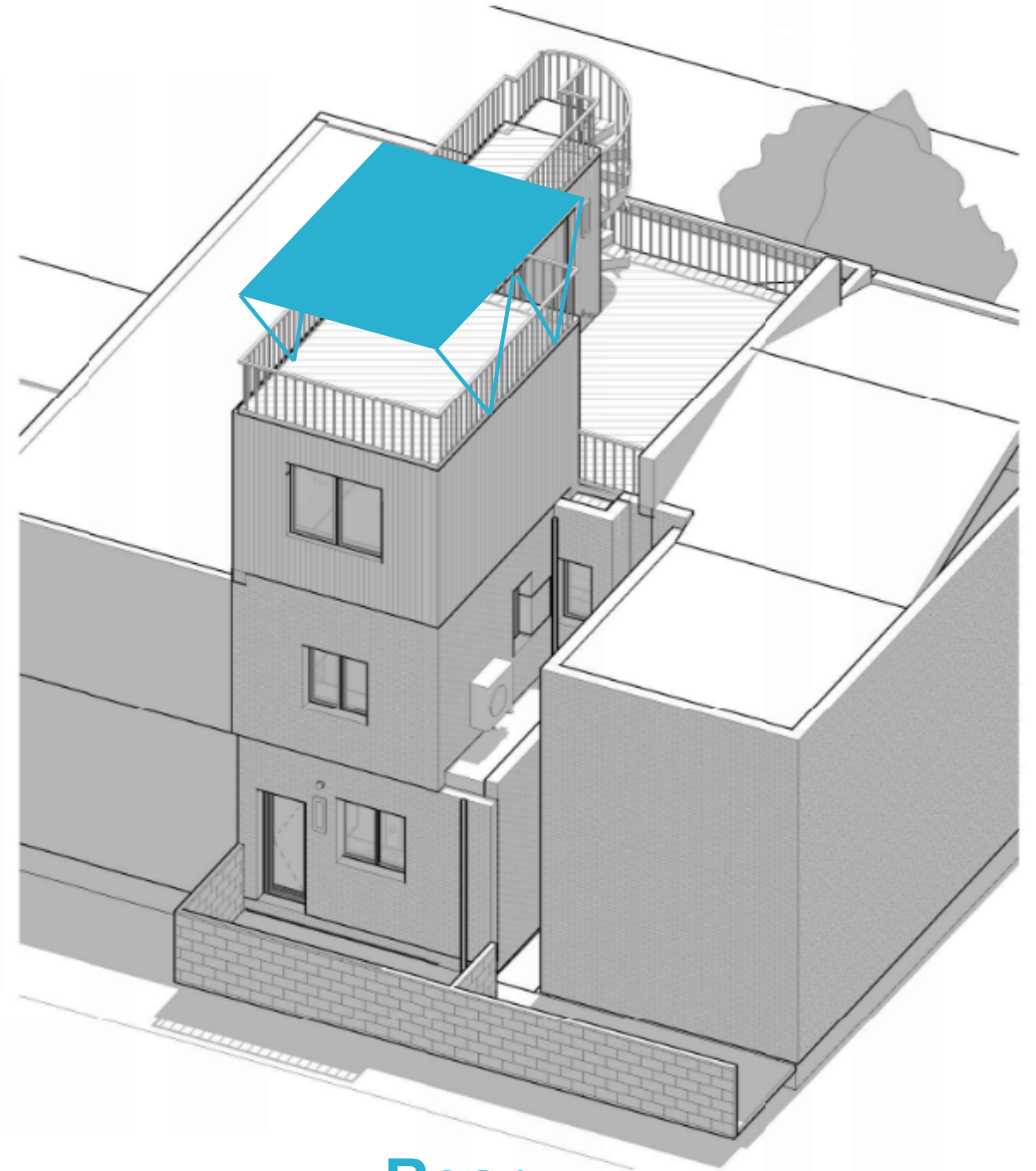


REF.1
GE GFE28GBL





Front



Rear

SOLAR CANOPY DESIGN

SOLAR STATES

6 Modules

545 Watts - transparent backsheet

Brooklyn Solar Canopy

\$25k-\$30k - Total Cost

30% ITC tax credit

~3600 kWh/year in utility energy avoided

~\$650/year in utility bill savings

~\$126/year in PA SRECs

SOLAR CANOPY DESIGN



ENERGY BUDGET from CRITICAL LOADS

Estimated Daily Consumption 56 kWh

Estimated Daily Solar Production

Summer 14 kWh

Winter 4 kWh

Need from Battery

Summer 42 kWh

Winter 52 kWh

Total Batteries 2-3 units

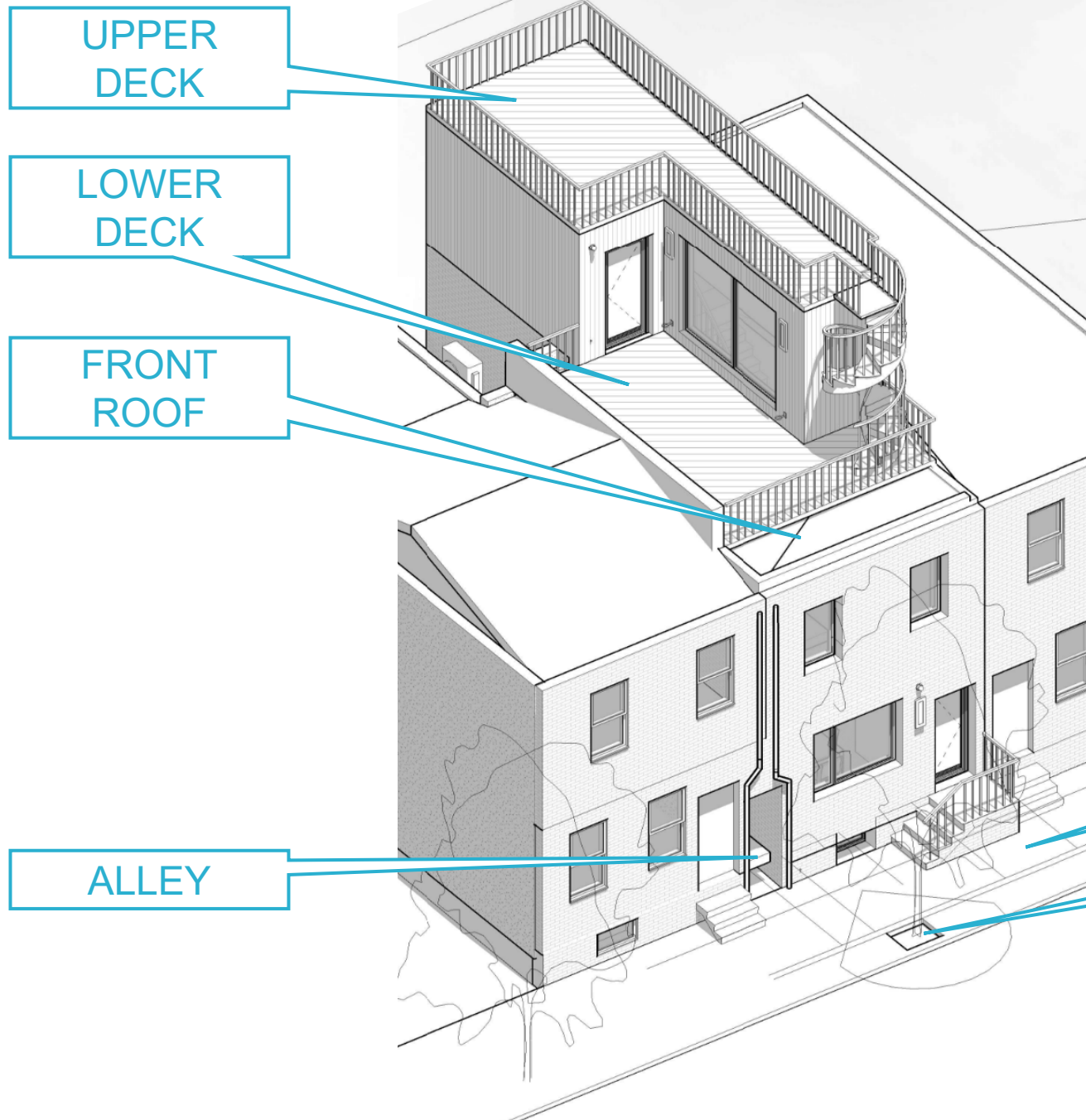
Battery Cost (\$11k each) = \$22k - \$33k

How can this project contribute to
'Community Resilience'?



'SMART' ELECTRIC PANEL WITH BATTERY BACKUP





SURFACE AREAS

| | |
|------------|----------|
| UPPER DECK | = 262 SF |
| LOWER DECK | = 237 SF |
| FRONT ROOF | = 80 SF |
| REAR ROOF | = 9SF |
| LOWER ROOF | = 29 SF |

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| ALLEY | = 48 SF |
| REAR YARD | = 111 SF |
| LOT SIZE | = 776 SF |

| | |
|----------|----------|
| SIDEWALK | = 144 SF |
| TREE PIT | = 9 SF |

SIDEWALK

TREE PIT

DAILY WATER USE ESTIMATOR

| Use | Number per Day | Number of Minutes | Gallons per Minute | Gallons per Use | Gallons per Day |
|--|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Bath | 0.5 | | | 36 | 18 |
| Shower | 1 | 10 | 1 | | 10 |
| Teeth Brushing | 2 | | | 1 | 2 |
| Hand Washing | 10 | 1 | 1 | | 10 |
| Dishwasher | 0.5 | | | 6 | 3 |
| Hand Dishwashing | 1 | 5 | | 9 | 9 |
| Laundry | 0.25 | | | 25 | 6.25 |
| Drinking Potable per Glass (8 oz) | 8 | | | 0.06 | 0.48 |
| | | | | | |
| Toilets (could be non-potable) | 10 | | | 1.6 | 16 |
| TOTAL WATER NEED | | | | | 74.73 |
| Percent reduction if toilets use non-potable | | | | | 21.41% |

RAINFALL CALCULATOR

| | | |
|-----------|----------------|--------------|
| Roof Area | Rainfall Depth | |
| 614 sf | 3 in | 1148 gallons |
| Site Area | Rainfall Depth | |
| 806 sf | 3 in | 1507 gallons |

PRE-DESIGN WATER USE ESTIMATOR



STRATEGIES

Store and slowly release

Store and reuse

Internal

External

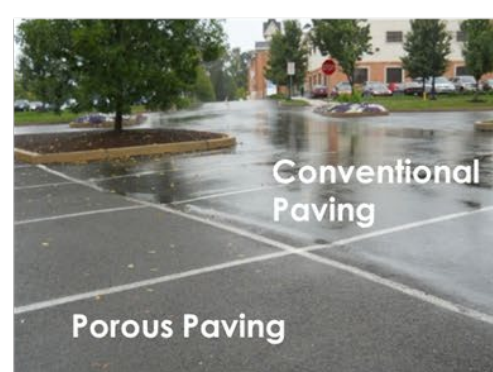
Infiltrate

Green or Purple roof

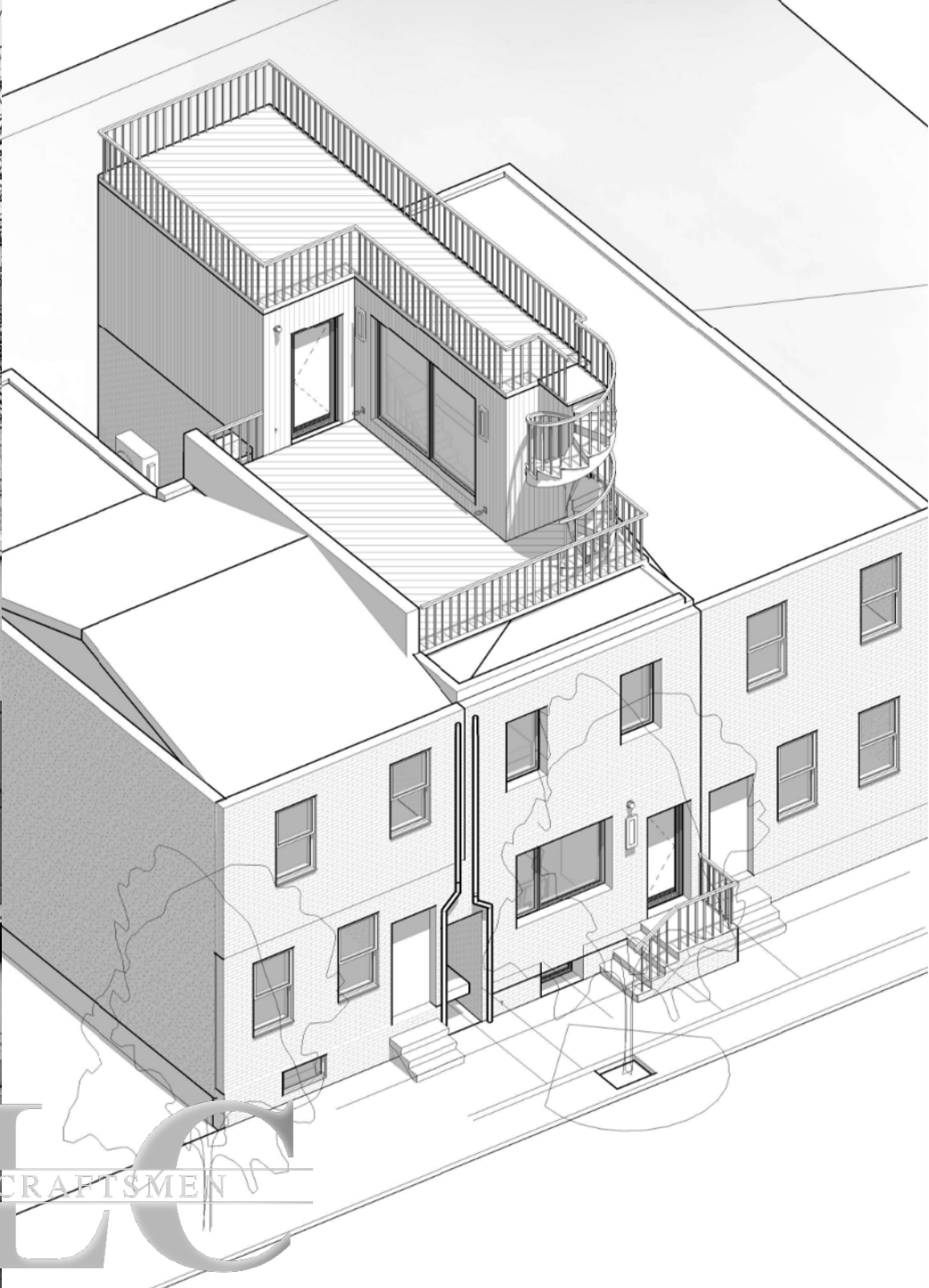
Tree trench

Right-of-way belongs
to City

Utility conflicts



GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE



MLC
MAIN LINE CRAFTSMEN



Preliminary Cost
\$765,000 / 2,222sf = \$344/sf



Thank You - Paul, Laura, and Samina



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