



## Maryland Green Registry MEMBER

The Maryland Green Registry promotes and recognizes sustainable practices at organizations of all types and sizes. Members agree to share at least five environmental practices and one measurable result while striving to continually improve their environmental performance.

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Custom Home Builder

Member since October 2009

### Management and Leadership

#### Annual Environmental Goals

*As builders in the Deep Creek Lake area, our team is committed to preserving the pristine area in which we live. Our team meets once a week to discuss each project status which includes an onsite waste management plan. We have a goal on each project to reduce waste by 30% for 2009/2010. We are striving to increase the percentage to 50% by 2011.*

#### Environmentally Preferable Products and Services

*As a custom home builder, we have been building Energy Star quality homes for several years and are a member of the US Green Building Council. We use environmental building products and systems such as geothermal heat systems, radiant heat floors, windows that exceed the Energy Star standards, VOC paints, tankless water heaters, and Energy Star rated appliances.*

### Waste

#### Solid Waste/Material Use Reduction and Reuse

*We have currently reduced to almost zero the paper products used in our kitchen and bathroom areas. We use cloth hand towels in the bathroom and no disposable products in the kitchen area.*

**Recycling**

*We recycle cardboard on each project site. We recycle paper, magazines, and toner cartridges in the office. We e-mail as many documents as possible to reduce paper usage. We are set up with many vendors to receive our invoices via e-mail which reduces envelope usage and mail handling.*

**Transportation**

**Efficient Business Travel**

*We live in a remote area that sometimes requires long travel distances between job sites. We have currently equipped our field project manager with a portable laptop and printer to reduce travel from project site to office. The president of the company has recently been equipped with a phone that enables mobile access to Office 2007. This enables reduced travel miles by accessing calendar and e-mail on project site and reducing travel to and from the office.*

**Water**

**Stormwater Management and Site Design**

*Our office has no paved areas that would contaminate water runoff. We work with county officials and local landscapers to reduce water runoff at each project site.*



*Help build a greener, more sustainable Maryland through voluntary practices that reduce environmental impacts and save money.*

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