



# Villanova University: School of Law

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Architectural Engineering  
Lighting/Electrical Option  
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Name: Villanova University: School of Law

Location: Villanova, PA

Owner: Villanova University

Size: 170,000 SF

Cost: \$56,566,661

### Project Team

- GC: Gilbane
- CM: SmithGroup
- Architect: SmithGroup
- MEP: SmithGroup
- Landscape Arch: ML Baird &Co.
- Civil Engineer: Yerkes Associates, Inc.
- Structural Engineer: O'Donnell & Naccarato, Inc

### Building Uses

- Law library
- Classrooms
- Student services
- Faculty/Administrative Offices
- Chapel
- Dining facility



## Lighting Depth

- Entry/Courtyard
- Atrium
- Atrium Daylight Study

## Electrical Depth

- Distribution System Redesign

## Mechanical Breadth

- Replacement of atrium glazing and the mechanical loading effects

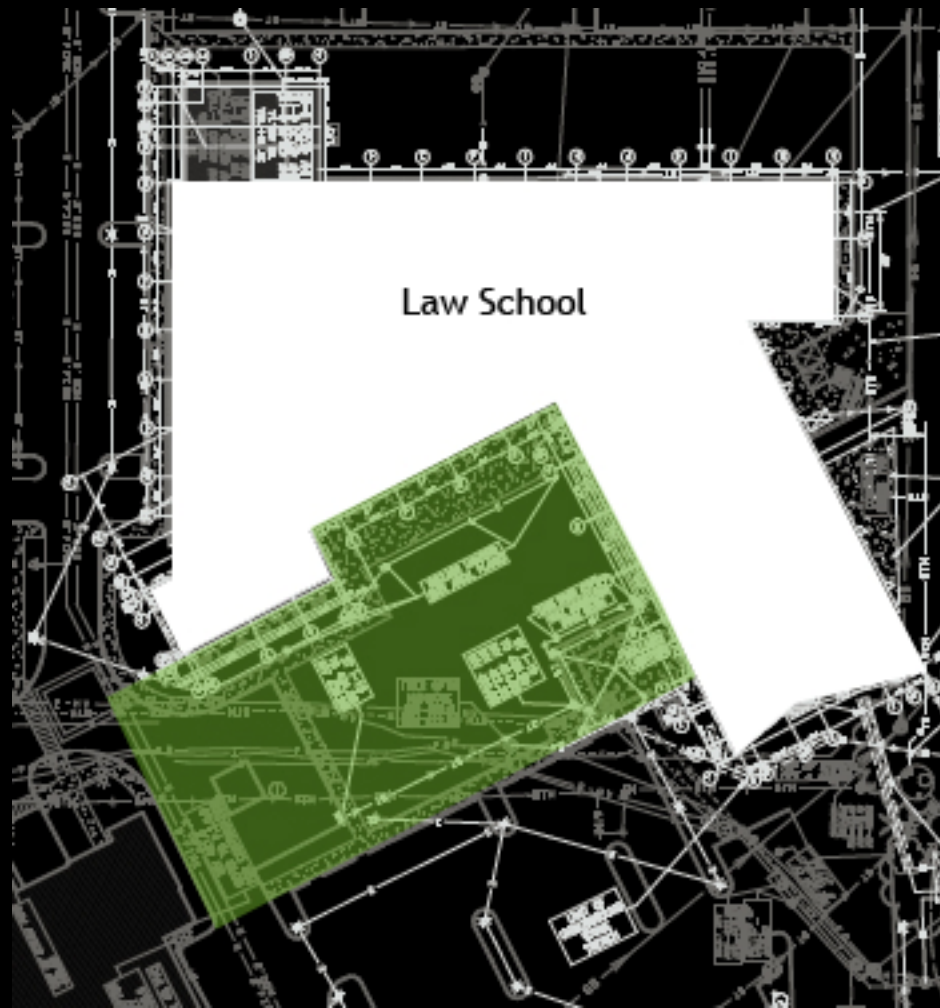
## Conclusions



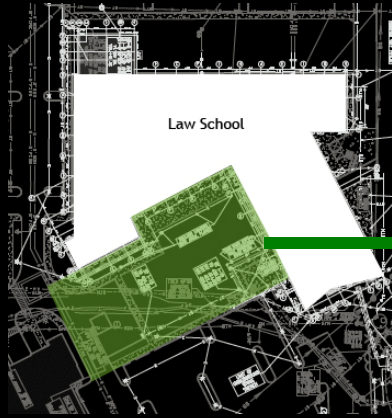
# Lighting Depth

## Entry/Courtyard









Site Plan



## Key Architectural Features

- Open grass area
- Patio against building
- Stone walkway surrounding vegetation
- Great view from parking lot

## Space Functions

- Draw attention
- Safe pedestrian passage
- Entry to law school



## Design Goals

- Provide adequate security lighting
- Illustrate law school's entrance
- Allow the atrium to dominate
- Meet ASHRAE 90.1 power density requirements

## Target Illuminance

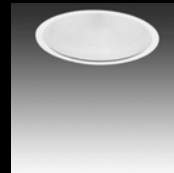
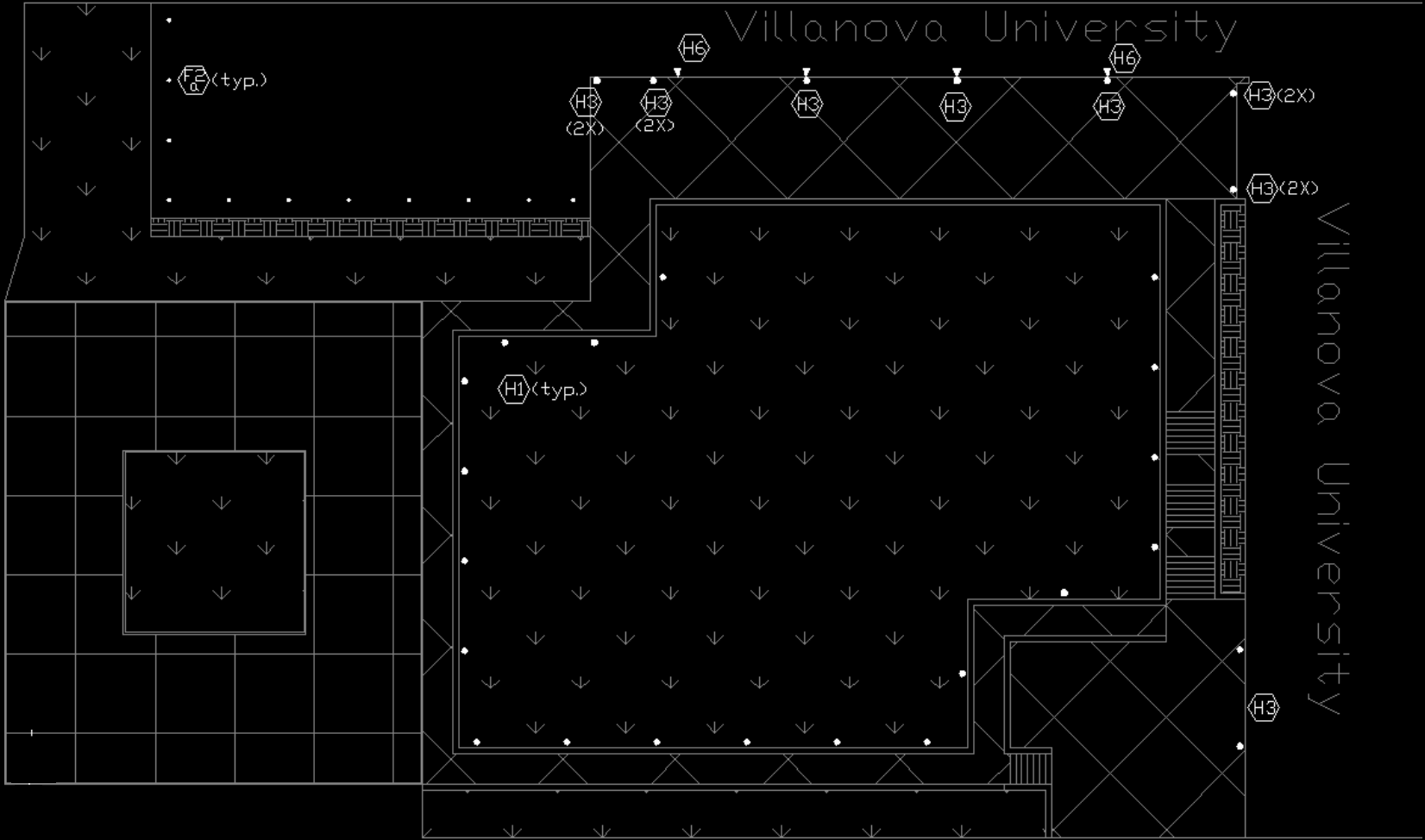
- 5fc horizontal at entrance
- 1-5fc for walkways

## Controls

- Time clock
- Connected to existing control panel



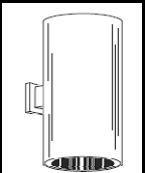




**F2a**  
(2) 26W  
CFL



**H1**  
(1) 70W  
MH



**H3**  
(1) 100W  
MH



**H4**  
(1) 20W  
MH



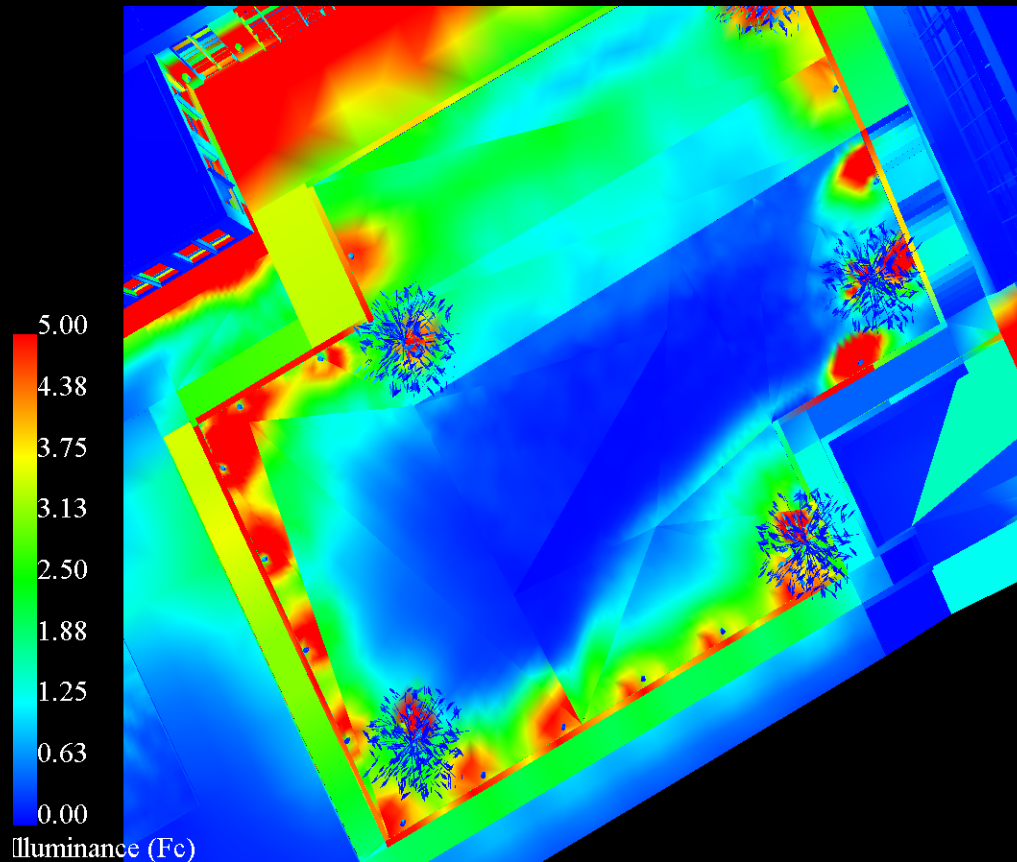
**H6**  
(1) 20W  
MH



## Design Performance

Horizontal Illuminance – Patio: 6.01fc (avg)

Walkways: 2-4fc (avg)



## Design Power Density

Area: 24,014SF

Allowable PD: 0.2W/SF

Total Watts: 3857W

Design PD: 0.16W/SF





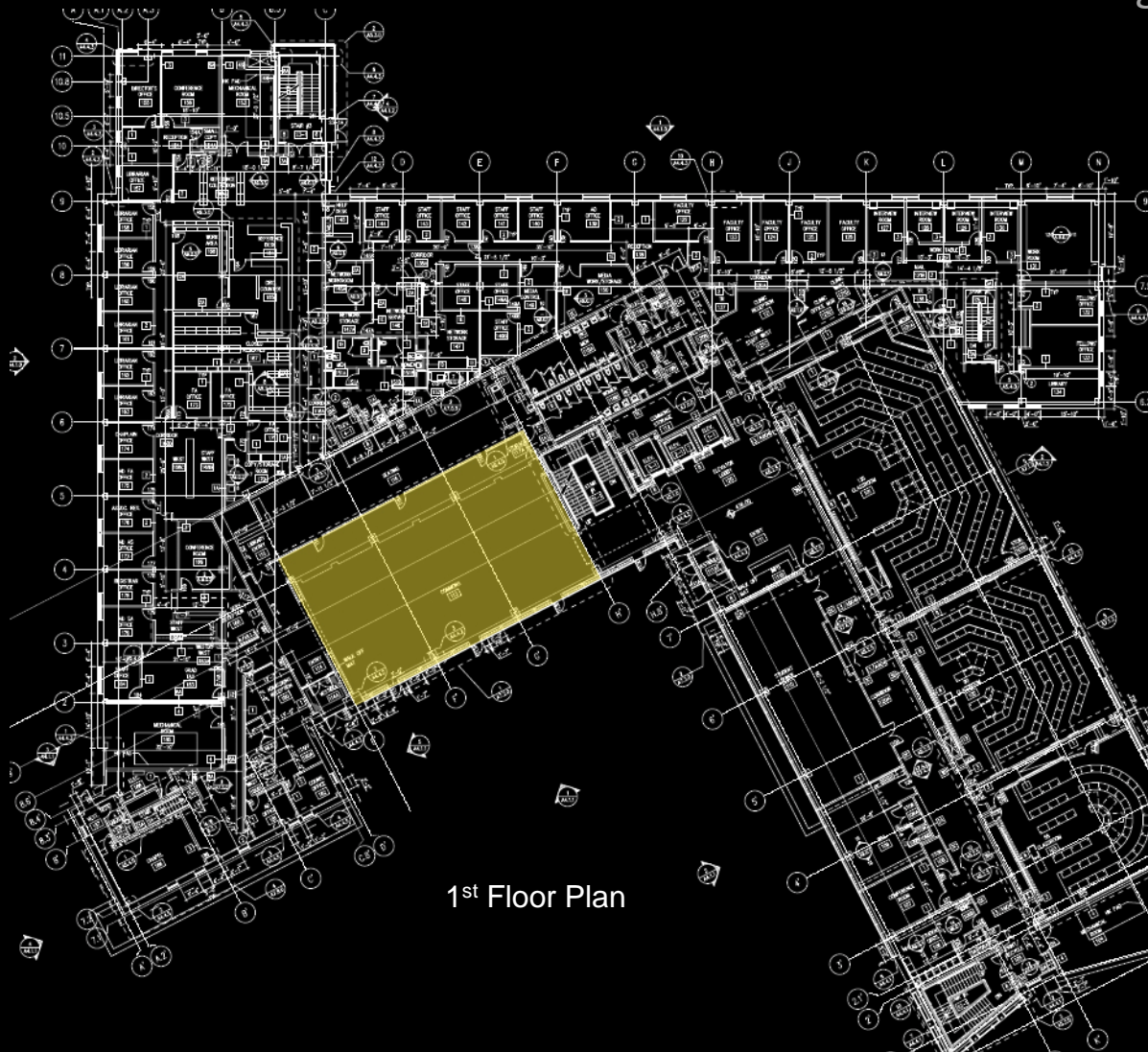




# Lighting Depth

## Atrium



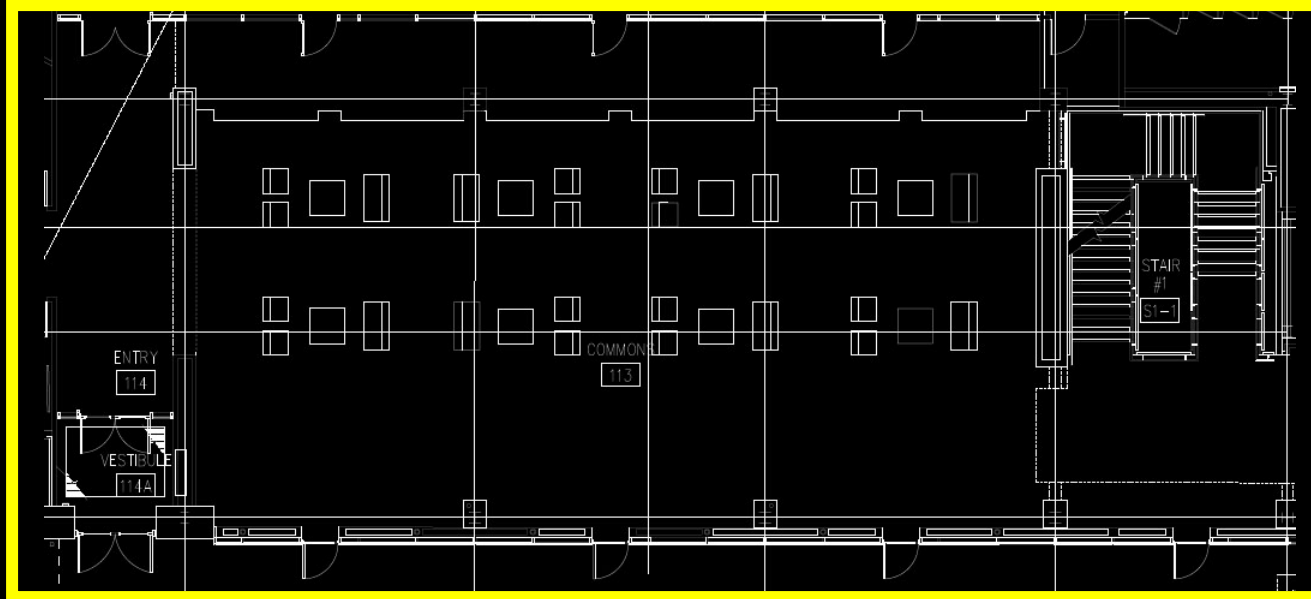


1<sup>st</sup> Floor Plan





1st Floor Plan

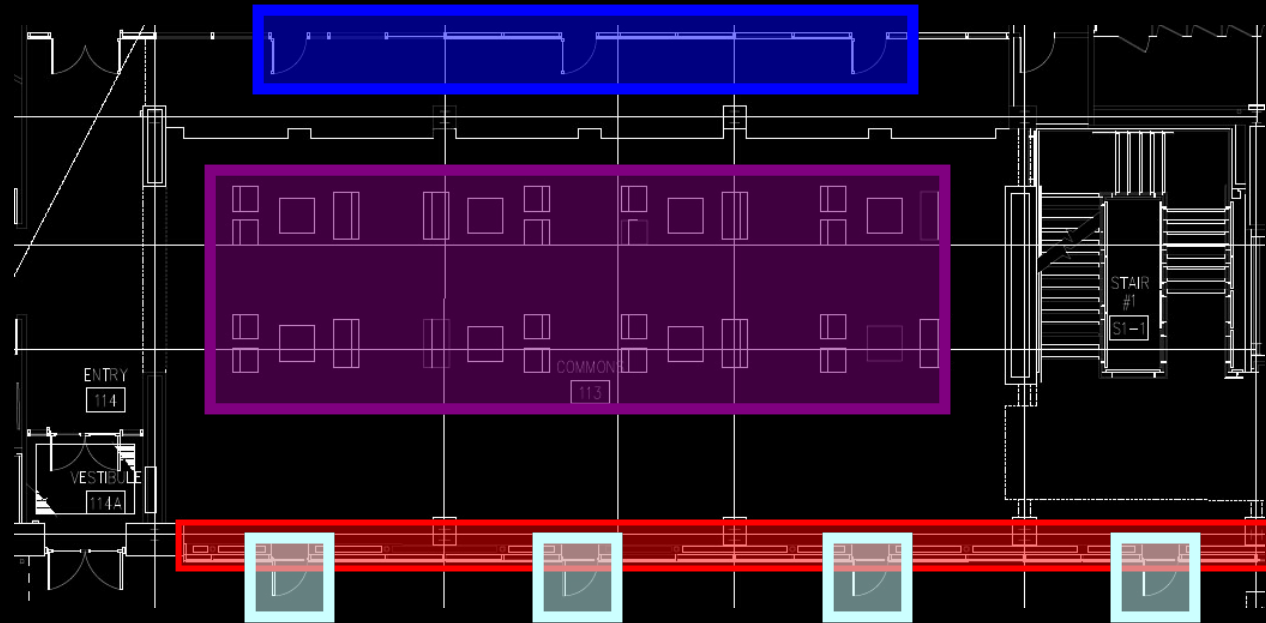


## Key Architectural Features

- Glass Façade
- Seating Area
- Entrance to Coffee Bar
- Exits to Courtyard Patio

## Space Functions

- Glow from exterior
- Sitting/Gathering
- Passing Through





## Design Goals

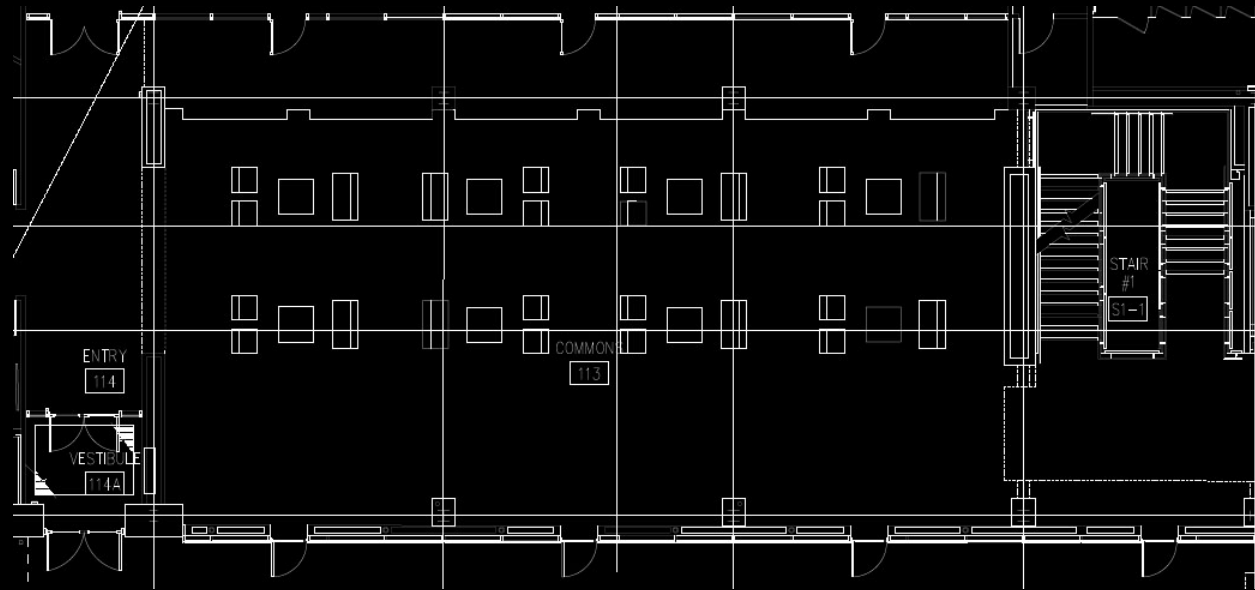
- Attract attention from outside
- Allow smooth transition from wing to wing
- Meet ASHRAE 90.1 power density requirements

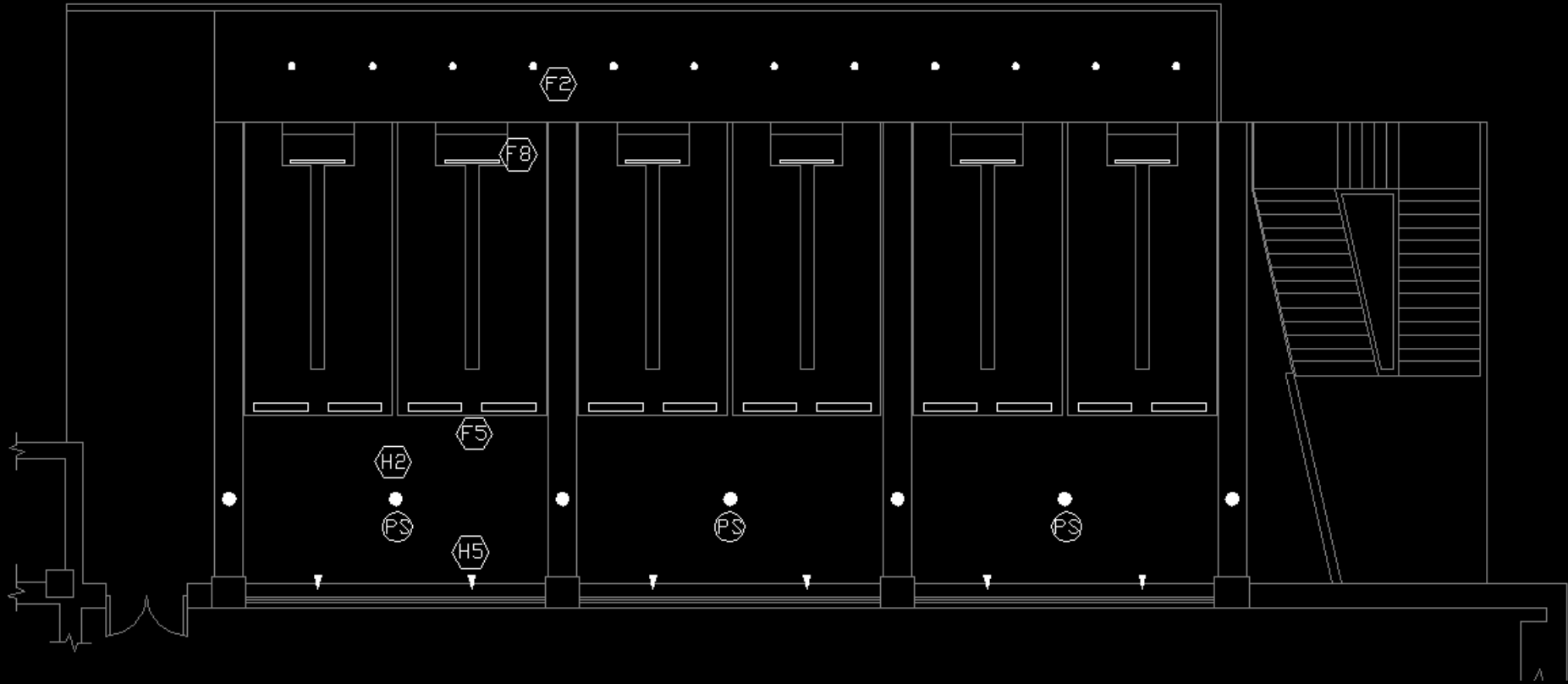
## Target Illuminance

- 10fc on floor

## Controls

- Dimming controller
- Photo sensors
- Fluorescent dimmed
- HID switched

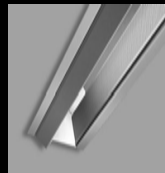




**F2**  
(1) 32W  
CFL



**F5**  
(1) 28W  
T5



**F8**  
(1) 28W  
T5



**H2**  
(1) 100W  
MH

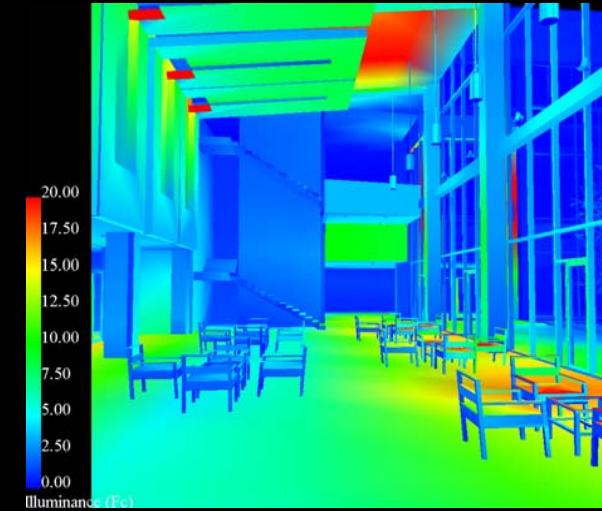
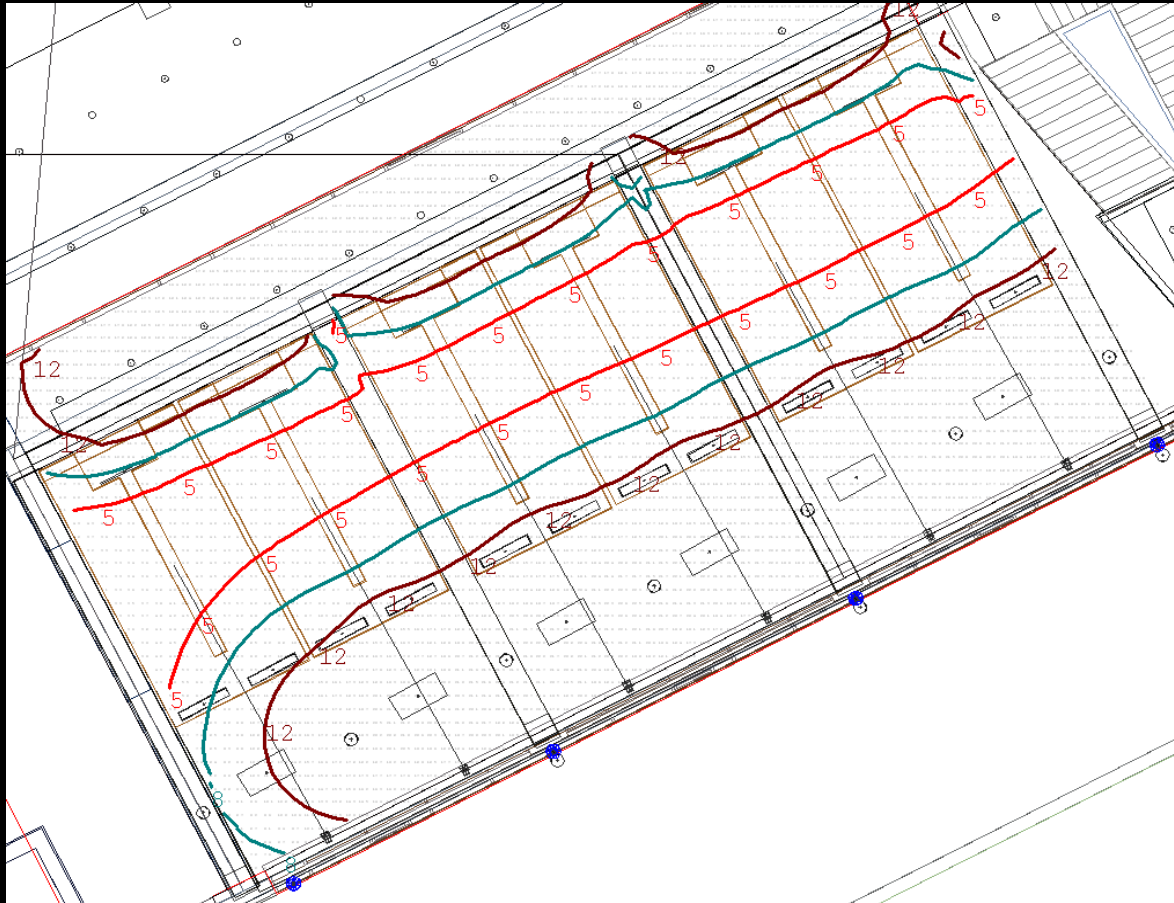


**H5**  
(1) 70W  
MH



## Design Performance

Horizontal Illuminance – Floor: 12.07fc (avg)  
4.02 (Avg/Min)



## Design Power Density

Area: 3274SF  
Allowable PD: 1.2W/SF  
Total Watts: 2529W  
Design PD: 0.77W/SF







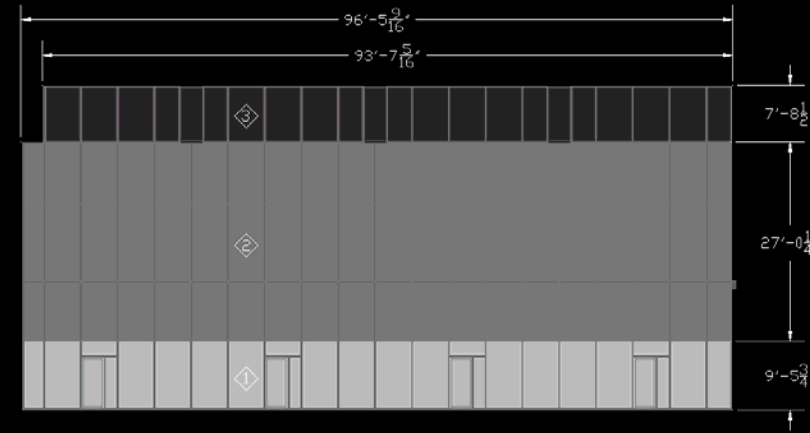
# Lighting Depth

## Atrium Daylight Study

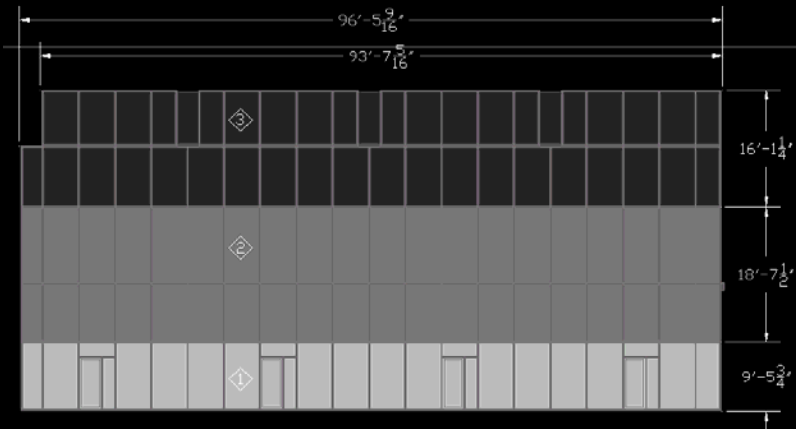


## Goals

- Compare existing daylight conditions with resulting conditions from change in glazing
- Determine which is preferable (illuminance, glare, penetration)



Original Glazing System



Redesigned Glazing System

Original Atrium Glazing												
Viracon No.	Description	Transmittance			Reflectance			ASHRAE U-Value		Shading Coeff.	Relative Heat Gain	Area (SF)
		Vis. Light	Solar Energy	Ultra-Violet	Vis. Light-Ext.	Vis. Light-Int.	Solar Energy	Winter Night	Summer Day			
VRE 1-38	Solarscreen (clear)	36%	19%	12%	44%	21%	46%	0.25	0.21	0.26	55	880
VRE 1-38 Frit	Silkscreen (dots)	25%	13%	7%	40%	25%	13%	0.30	0.26	0.21	46	2592
VE 1-2M w/ Metallic Opac	Spandrel	0%	Not Avail.	Not Avail.	Not Avail.	Not Avail.	Not Avail.	0.07	0.07	N/A	Not Avail.	674
New Atrium Glazing												
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March 20<sup>th</sup>

Lighting Depth – Atrium Daylight Study

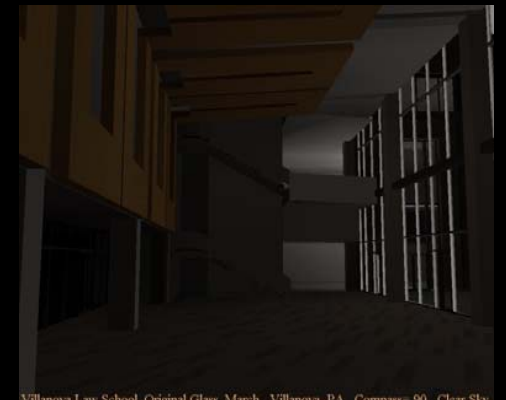
Original Glazing



9:00 AM



12:00 PM



Villanova Law School. Original Glass. March. Villanova, PA. Compass= 90. Clear Sky. 3

3:00 PM

Redesign Glazing



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Villanova Law School. New Glass. March. Villanova, PA. Compass= 90. Clear Sky. 3

Original Glazing - March 20th Illuminance Data					
	0900		1200		1500
Average	663.73	Average	788.96	Average	36.92
Maximum	1952.00	Maximum	2845.00	Maximum	4639.00
Minimum	8.70	Minimum	8.20	Minimum	0.20
Avg/Min	76.29	Avg/Min	96.21	Avg/Min	184.60
Max/Min	224.32	Max/Min	346.93	Max/Min	23194.00

New Glazing - March 20th Illuminance Data					
	0900		1200		1500
Average	456.24	Average	506.98	Average	26.40
Maximum	1491.00	Maximum	2179.00	Maximum	4625.00
Minimum	6.50	Minimum	3.90	Minimum	0.10
Avg/Min	70.22	Avg/Min	129.99	Avg/Min	264.00
Max/Min	229.38	Max/Min	558.72	Max/Min	46248.00



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June 21<sup>st</sup>

Lighting Depth – Atrium Daylight Study

Original Glazing



9:00 AM

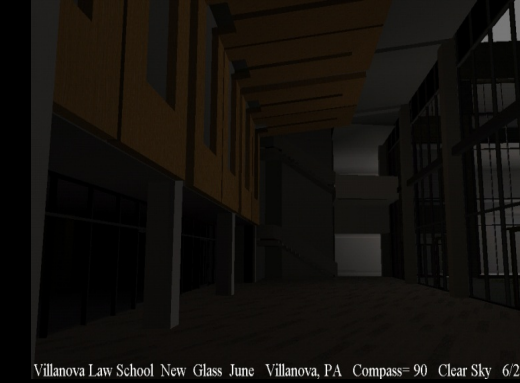


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Redesign Glazing



Original Glazing - June 21st					
Illuminance Data					
0900		1200		1500	
Average	296.00	Average	182.25	Average	30.29
Maximum	2432.00	Maximum	8884.00	Maximum	88.70
Minimum	0.60	Minimum	0.10	Minimum	0.10
Avg/Min	493.33	Avg/Min	1823.00	Avg/Min	302.90
Max/Min	4053.00	Max/Min	88839.00	Max/Min	887.00

New Glazing - June 21st					
Illuminance Data					
0900		1200		1500	
Average	190.68	Average	105.35	Average	21.61
Maximum	1871.00	Maximum	8871.00	Maximum	68.20
Minimum	0.50	Minimum	0.10	Minimum	0.10
Avg/Min	381.36	Avg/Min	1054.00	Avg/Min	216.10
Max/Min	3743.00	Max/Min	88711.00	Max/Min	682.00





September 21<sup>st</sup>

Lighting Depth – Atrium Daylight Study

Original Glazing



9:00 AM

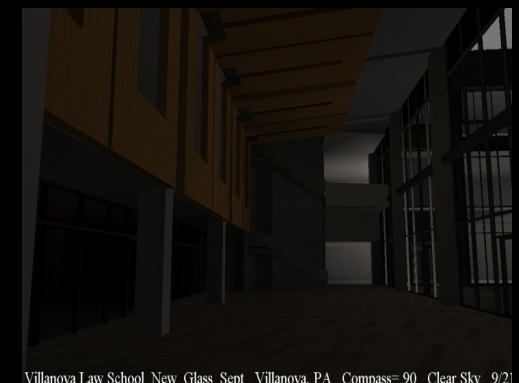
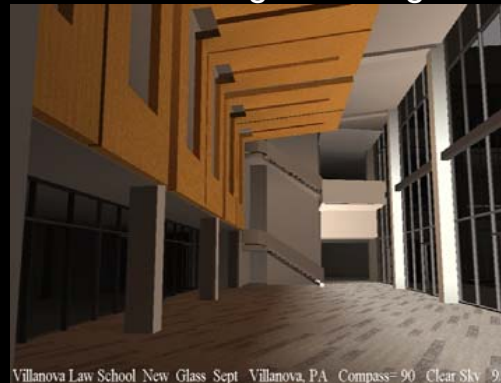


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3:00 PM

Redesign Glazing



Original Glazing - September 21st Illuminance Data					
0900		1200		1500	
Average	794.90	Average	682.48	Average	33.54
Maximum	2052.00	Maximum	2856.00	Maximum	4209.00
Minimum	24.70	Minimum	6.60	Minimum	0.10
Avg/Min	32.18	Avg/Min	103.41	Avg/Min	335.40
Max/Min	83.06	Max/Min	432.67	Max/Min	42085.00

New Glazing - September 21st Illuminance Data					
0900		1200		1500	
Average	526.58	Average	442.46	Average	24.41
Maximum	1562.00	Maximum	2193.00	Maximum	4202.00
Minimum	3.20	Minimum	3.80	Minimum	0.10
Avg/Min	164.56	Avg/Min	116.44	Avg/Min	244.10
Max/Min	488.09	Max/Min	577.05	Max/Min	42022.00



December 21<sup>st</sup>

Lighting Depth – Atrium Daylight Study



9:00 AM



12:00 PM



3:00 PM

Redesign Glazing



Villanova Law School New Glass Dec Villanova, PA Compass= 90 Clear Sky 122



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Villanova Law School New Glass Dec Villanova, PA Compass= 90 Clear Sky 122

Original Glazing - December 21st			
Illuminance Data			
	0900	1200	1500
Average	382.62	Average 766.31	Average 38.70
Maximum	818.00	Maximum 1725.00	Maximum 506.00
Minimum	10.00	Minimum 25.20	Minimum 0.20
Avg/Min	38.26	Avg/Min 30.41	Avg/Min 193.50
Max/Min	81.76	Max/Min 68.47	Max/Min 2530.00

New Glazing - December 21st			
Illuminance Data			
	0900	1200	1500
Average	286.23	Average 550.30	Average 27.27
Maximum	618.00	Maximum 1320.00	Maximum 387.00
Minimum	7.50	Minimum 16.00	Minimum 0.20
Avg/Min	38.16	Avg/Min 34.39	Avg/Min 136.20
Max/Min	82.35	Max/Min 82.53	Max/Min 1937.00



# Electrical Depth

## Distribution Panels vs. Standard Lighting Panels

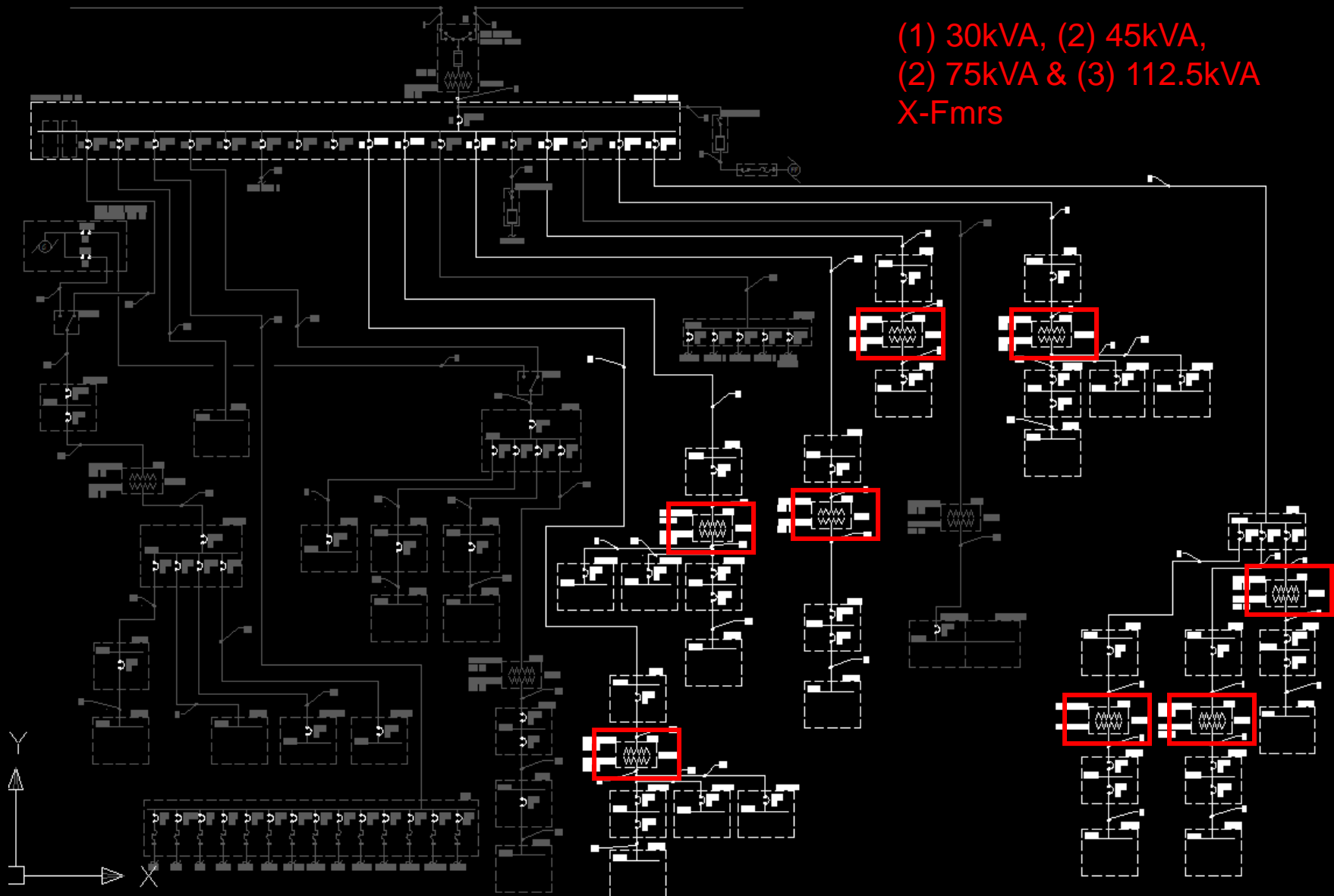


## Design Goals

- Use distribution panels instead of standard lighting panels
- Reduce number of transformers
- Reduce size of long run feeders
- Reduce costs

ORIGINAL TRANSFORMER SCHEDULE								
TAG	PRIMARY VOLTAGE	SECONDARY VOLTAGE	SIZE	TYPE	TEMP. RISE	TAPS	MOUNTING	REMARKS
XD-1	13.2kV, 3P, 3W	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	1500kVA	Silicone-based dielectric filled	55°C	(4) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (2) Dn	Concrete Pad Mount (outside)	
XS-1	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	208Y/120V, 3P, 4W	75kVA	Dry Type	115°C	(6) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (4) Dn	Pad mounted, vibration isolated	
XS-2	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	208Y/120V, 3P, 4W	45kVA	Dry Type	115°C	(6) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (4) Dn	Pad mounted, vibration isolated	
XS-3	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	208Y/120V, 3P, 4W	45kVA	Dry Type	115°C	(6) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (4) Dn	Pad mounted, vibration isolated	
XS-4	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	208Y/120V, 3P, 4W	112.5kVA	Dry Type	115°C	(6) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (4) Dn	Pad mounted, vibration isolated	
XS-5	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	208Y/120V, 3P, 4W	75kVA	Dry Type	115°C	(6) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (4) Dn	Pad mounted, vibration isolated	
XS-6	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	208Y/120V, 3P, 4W	30kVA	Dry Type	115°C	(6) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (4) Dn	Pad mounted, vibration isolated	
XS-7	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	208Y/120V, 3P, 4W	75kVA	Dry Type	115°C	(6) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (4) Dn	Pad mounted, vibration isolated	
XS-8	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	208Y/120V, 3P, 4W	112.5kVA	Dry Type	115°C	(6) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (4) Dn	Pad mounted, vibration isolated	
XS-9	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	208Y/120V, 3P, 4W	112.5kVA	Dry Type	115°C	(6) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (4) Dn	Pad mounted, vibration isolated	
XS-10	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	208Y/120V, 3P, 4W	45kVA	Dry Type	115°C	(6) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (4) Dn	Pad mounted, vibration isolated	
XS-11	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	208Y/120V, 3P, 4W	112.5kVA	Dry Type	115°C	(6) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (4) Dn	Pad mounted, vibration isolated	





(1) 30kVA, (2) 45kVA,  
(2) 75kVA & (3) 112.5kVA  
X-Fmrs

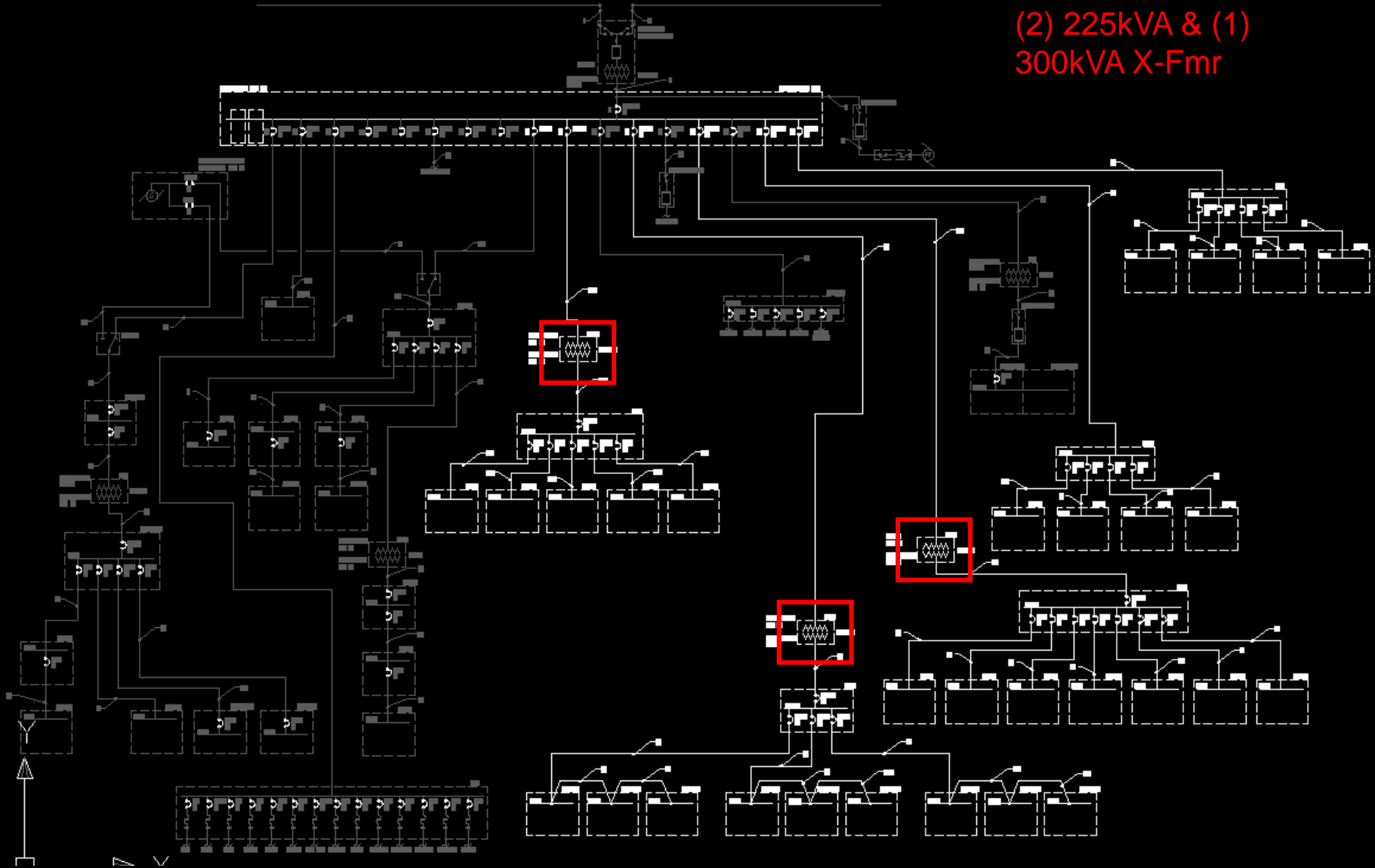




REDESIGN TRANSFORMER SCHEDULE							
TAG	PRIMARY VOLTAGE	SECONDARY VOLTAGE	SIZE	TYPE	TEMP. RISE	TAPS	MOUNTING
XD-1	13.2kV, 3P, 3W	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	1500kVA	Silicone-based dielectric filled	55°C	(4) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (2) Dn	Concrete Pad Mount (outside)
XS-5	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	208Y/120V, 3P, 4W	75kVA	Dry Type	115°C	(6) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (4) Dn	Pad mounted, vibration isolated
XS-10	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	208Y/120V, 3P, 4W	45kVA	Dry Type	115°C	(6) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (4) Dn	Pad mounted, vibration isolated
XS-11	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	208Y/120V, 3P, 4W	112.5kVA	Dry Type	115°C	(6) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (4) Dn	Pad mounted, vibration isolated
XS-12	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	208Y/120V, 3P, 4W	225kVA	Dry Type	115°C	<b>(6) 2.5% Taps (2) Up &amp; (4) Dn</b>	<b>Pad mounted, vibration isolated</b>
XS-13	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	208Y/120V, 3P, 4W	300kVA	Dry Type	115°C	(6) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (4) Dn	Pad mounted, vibration isolated
XS-14	480Y/277V, 3P, 4W	208Y/120V, 3P, 4W	225kVA	Dry Type	115°C	(6) 2.5% Taps (2) Up & (4) Dn	Pad mounted, vibration isolated



(2) 225kVA & (1)  
300kVA X-Fmr



## Goals Met

- Use distribution panels instead of standard lighting panels
- Reduce number of transformers
- Reduce size of long run feeders
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Distribution System Redesign Cost Analysis			
Original System		Redesigned System	
Panel	Cost	Panel	Cost
LP-1N	\$60,079.75	DL-1	\$18,549.00
LP-1S	\$44,390.00	DL-2	\$20,125.00
LP-BN	\$16,183.50	DR-1	\$66,037.00
LP-BS	\$21,650.00	DR-2	\$106,168.00
LP-2S	\$38,185.00	DR-3	\$52,909.25
LP-3S	\$39,793.00		
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>\$220,281.25</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>\$263,788.25</b>

**System Not Recommended**



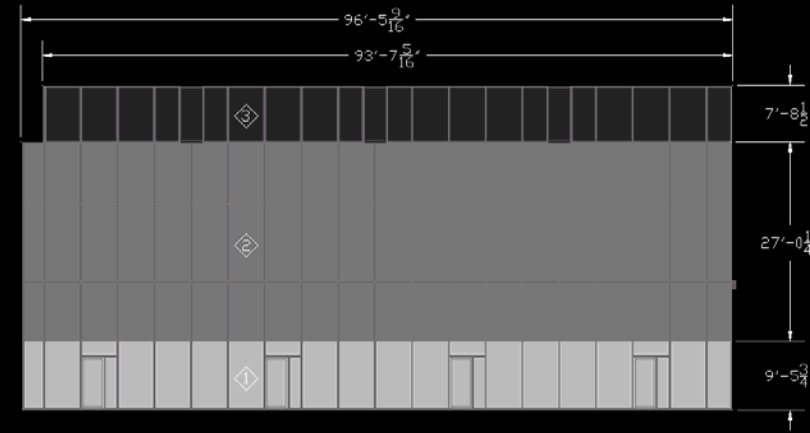
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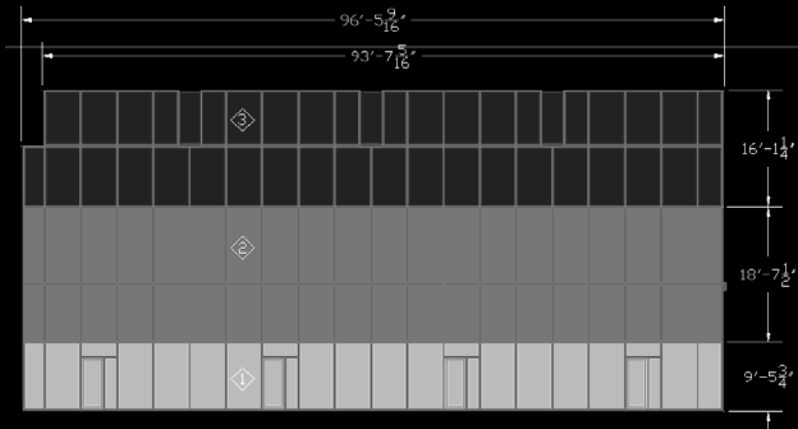


## Goals

- Reduce mechanical loading through use of more efficient glazing
- Reduce energy costs



Original Glazing System



Redesigned Glazing System

Original Atrium Glazing												
Viracon No.	Description	Transmittance			Reflectance			ASHRAE U-Value		Shading Coeff.	Relative Heat Gain	Area (SF)
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AHU-1-R1		
	Original Glazing	Redesigned Glazing
Peak Design Cooling Load	22.7 ton	16.2 ton
Peak Design Heating Load	147 MBh	108 MBh
Outside Airflow	1316 cfm	894 cfm
Cooling Airflow	8873 cfm	6059 cfm
Heating Airflow	8873 cfm	6059 cfm
Return Airflow	8873 cfm	6059 cfm
Exhaust Airflow	8873 cfm	6059 cfm
AHU Fan Size	15 hp	7.5 hp
% of Total Building Energy: Heating	37.20%	37.10%
% of Total Building Energy: Cooling	13.30%	13.40%
Total Building Energy	15172882 kBtu/yr	15058292 kBtu/yr
Total Energy Savings	114590 kBtu/yr	
Total Electricity Cost	\$44,064	\$43,690
Total Electricity Cost Savings	\$374 per year	

VU Atrium Mechanical Cost Analysis												
Class	Tag	Description	Viracon No.			Area (SF)		Unit Cost (\$/SF)		Initial Cost		Cost Diff.
			Original	Redesign	Add-ons	Original	Redesign	Original	Redesign	Original	Redesign	
Glass	GL-2	Silkscreen (dots)	VRE 1-38	VRE 7-38	Dots	2539	1742	\$18.50	\$21.00	\$46,971.50	\$36,582.00	10,389.50
	GL-3	Spandrel	VE 1-2M	VE 1-2M	Metallic Opac	674	1471	\$24.00	\$24.00	\$16,176.00	\$35,304.00	-19,128.00
	GL-4	Solarscreen(clear)	VRE 1-38	VRE 7-38	N/A	880	880	\$12.50	\$15.00	\$11,000.00	\$13,200.00	-2,200.00
										<b>Total Glass Cost</b>	<b>\$74,147.50</b>	<b>\$85,086.00</b>
AHU			Trane Series			Initial Cost						
	Tag	Description	Original	Redesign	Add-ons	Original	Redesign	Cost Diff.				
	AHU-R-1	Rooftop AHU	Trane T-25 (15hp)	Trane T-12 (7.5 hp)	N/A	\$25,990.00	\$22,190.00	\$3,800.00				
<b>Construction Cost Difference -\$7,138.50</b>												

Note: Glazing and AHU pricing was provide by Viracon and Trane representative respectively.



## Lighting Depth – Entry/Courtyard

- Meets design goals
- Meets target illuminance levels
- Meets power density requirements

## Lighting Depth - Atrium

- Meets design goals
- Meets target illuminance levels
- Meets power density requirements

## Lighting Depth – Atrium Daylight Study

- New glazing reduced illuminance levels
- Penetration is less deep due to spandrel glazing
- Glare should be less as a result

## Electrical Depth – Distribution System Redesign

- Number of transformers reduced from 8 to 3
- Feeder sizing for long runs reduced
- Cost INCREASED
- System was not recommended

## Mechanical Breadth – Reduction in Loading Due to Glazing Change

- Initial construction cost increased by more than \$7,000
- Electricity cost savings was less than \$400 per year
- System could be recommended based on daylighting improvements



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Questions?

