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for
environmental sciences

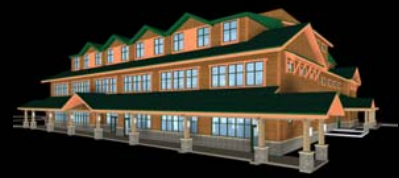


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the pennsylvania state university
architectural engineering
lighting/electrical

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background



location: Incline Village, NV
owners: UC Davis, SNC, DRI
architect: Lundahl & Associates
electrical: Integrated Design Associates
lighting: David Nelson & Associates
mechanical: Rumsey Engineers
size: 45,000sf
stories: 3 floors + basement
consideration: LEED Platinum Rating



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outline



- **Lighting Depth**

- Lobby

- Daylighting

- Case Study Classroom

- Chemistry Lab

- Exterior

- **Electrical Depth**

- Cogeneration

- Photovoltaics

- System Design

- **Mechanical Breadth**

- Solar Hot Water

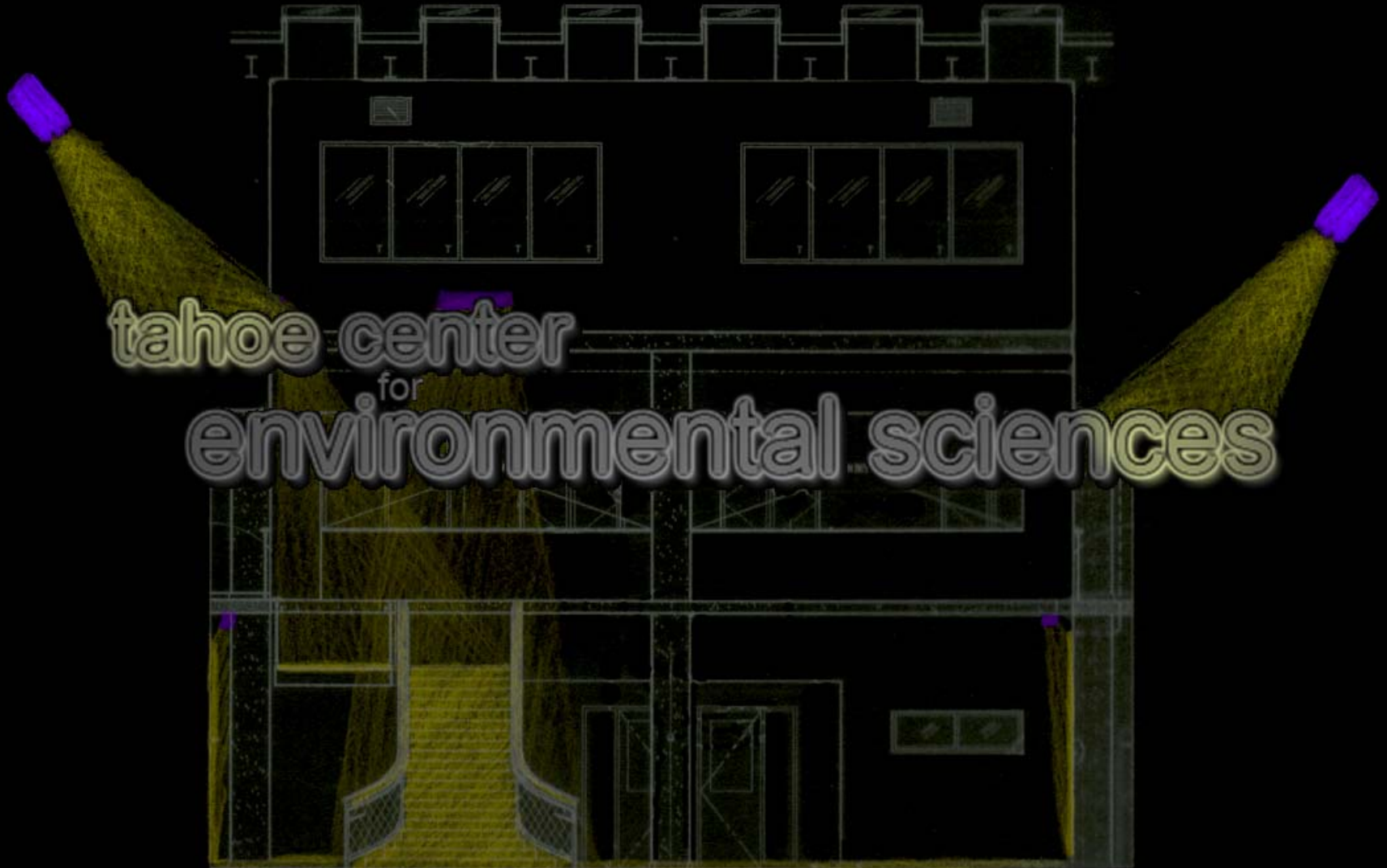
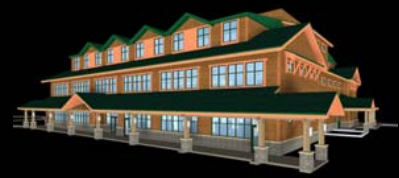
- **LEED Breadth**

- LEED points analysis



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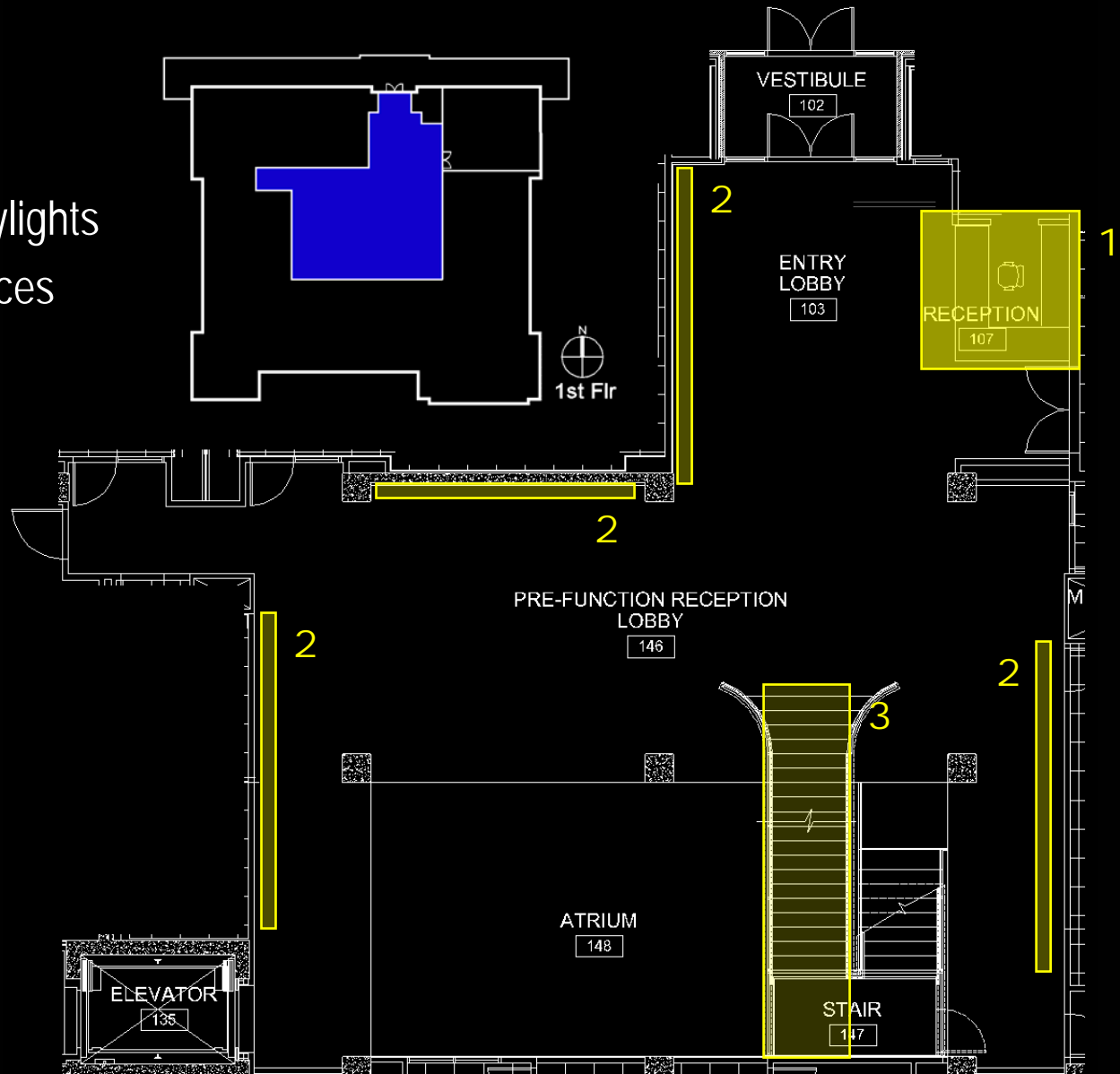
lighting - lobby

- Architecture

- 3 story atrium w/ skylights
- Bare concrete surfaces
- Gyp. bd. art walls
- Central stair case

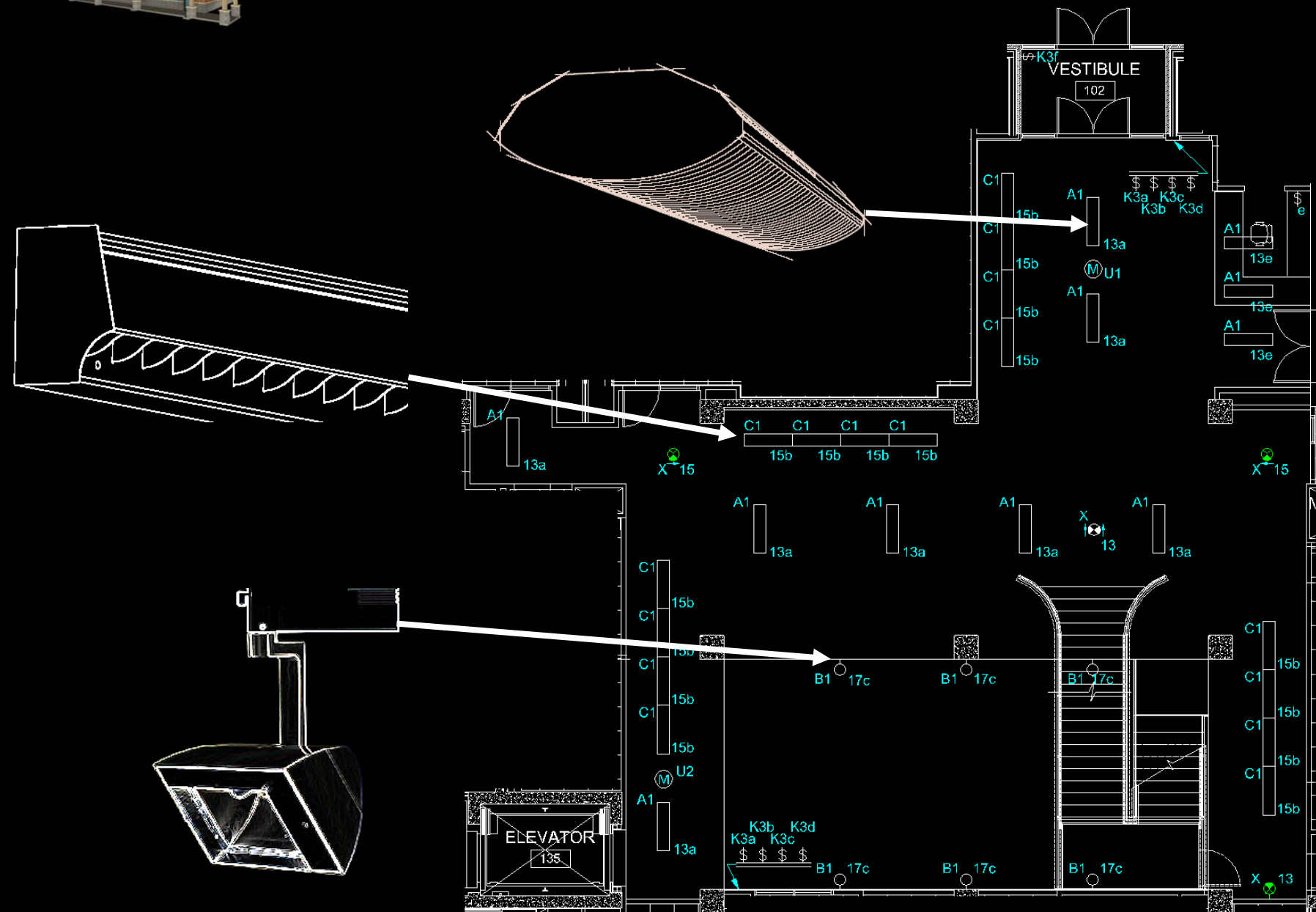
- Design Goals

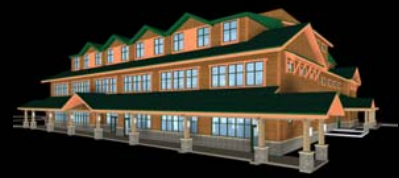
- Green design
- Fixture appearance
- Visual hierarchy



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lighting - lobby



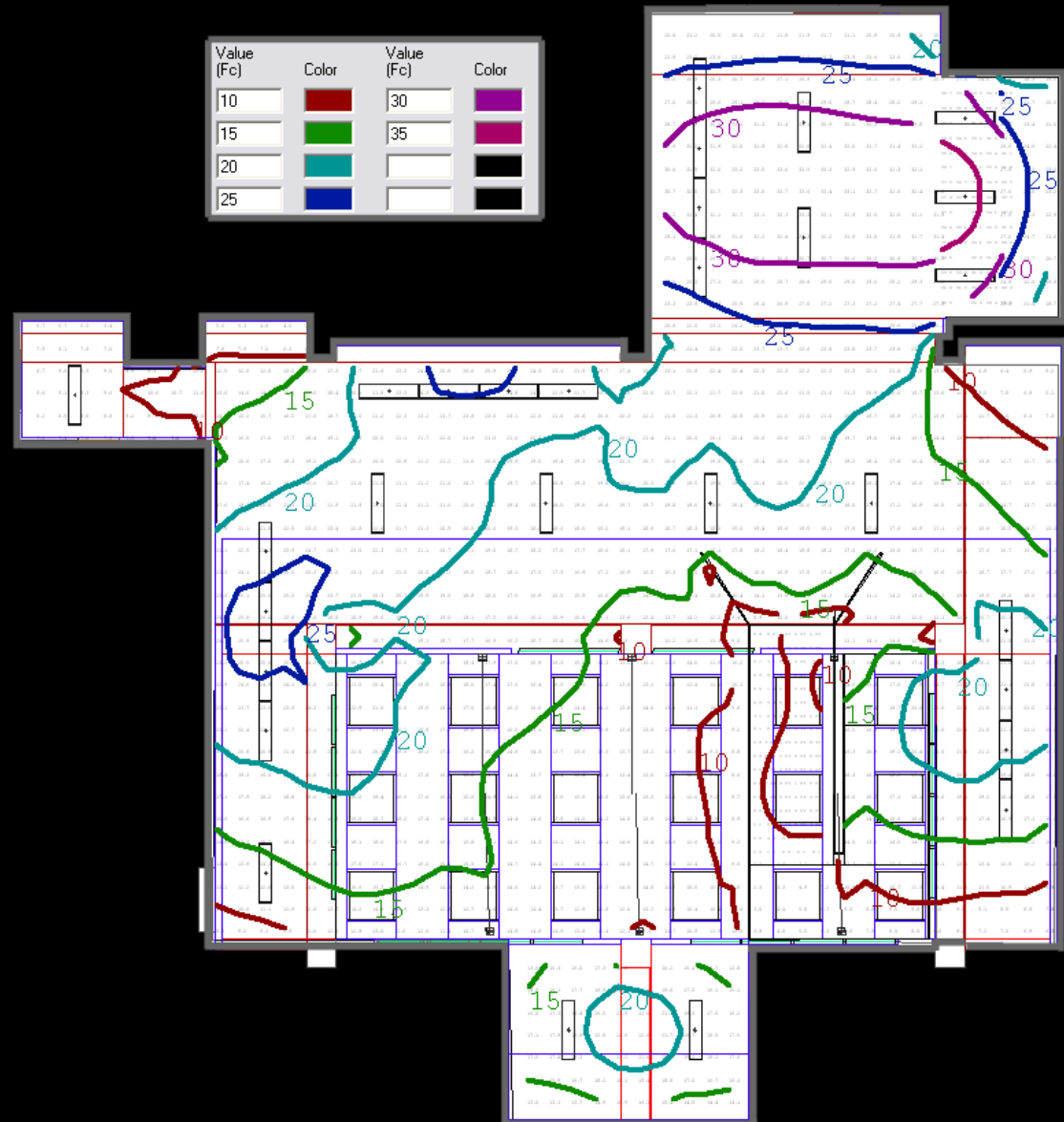


- Light Levels

- 32 fc receptionist desk
- 18 fc lobby floor
- 25 fc wall
- 10 fc stairs

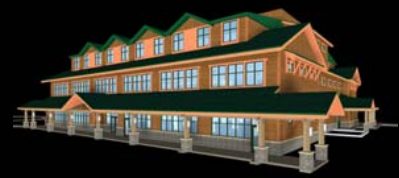
- Power Density

- 0.55 W/sf



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lighting - lobby



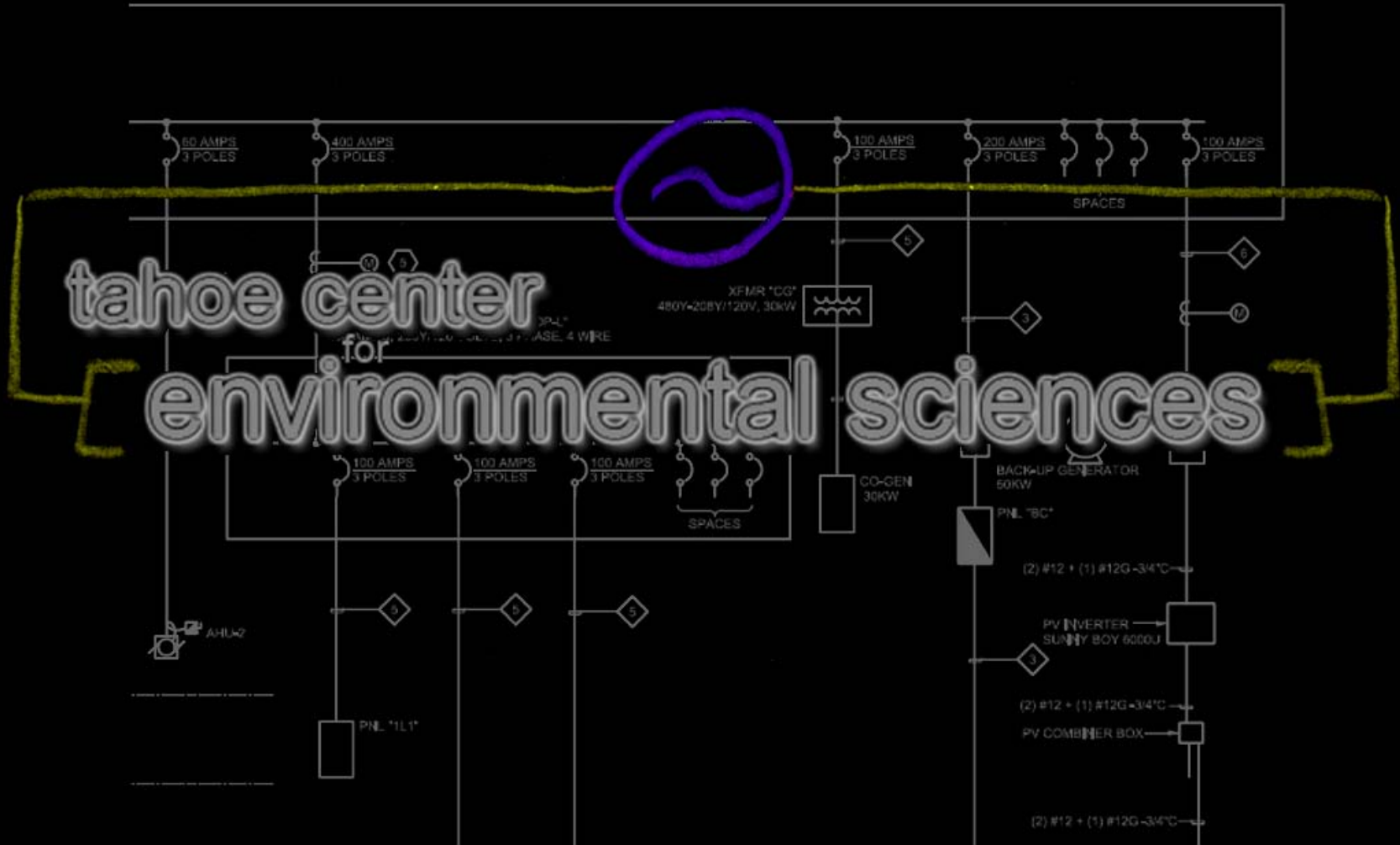
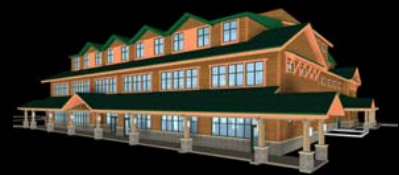
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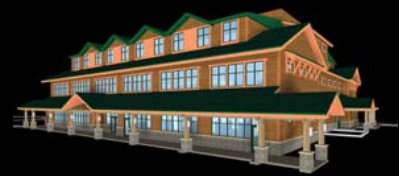
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electrical





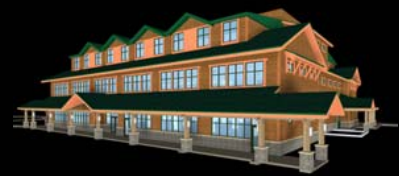
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- Power generation makes sense with load
- Generate less emissions than grid
- Payback < 10 years

- Load Characteristics

- Found using eQuest
- < 30kW at night
- 190kW < Load < 300kW during the day

| <i>Abbreviated eQuest output</i> | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| Month | Load (kW) |
| January | 193.2 |
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| March | 220.0 |
| April | 268.7 |
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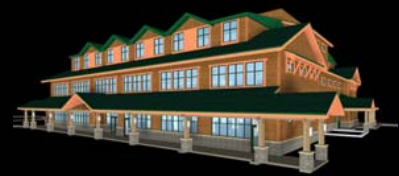
- Design Solution

- (2) 30kW Microturbines
- Both on during the day
- One on at night

- Load

- 60kW of generation during day
- Constant generation ~30kW at night
- **Makes sense with Load**

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- Emissions

- Based on Electric Power Annual
- **SAVES**: 340 lbm particulates per year
- **SAVES**: 3,900 lbm SO_x per year
- **SAVES**: 2,200 lbm NO_x per year
- **SAVES**: 660,000 lbm CO₂ per year

- Payback

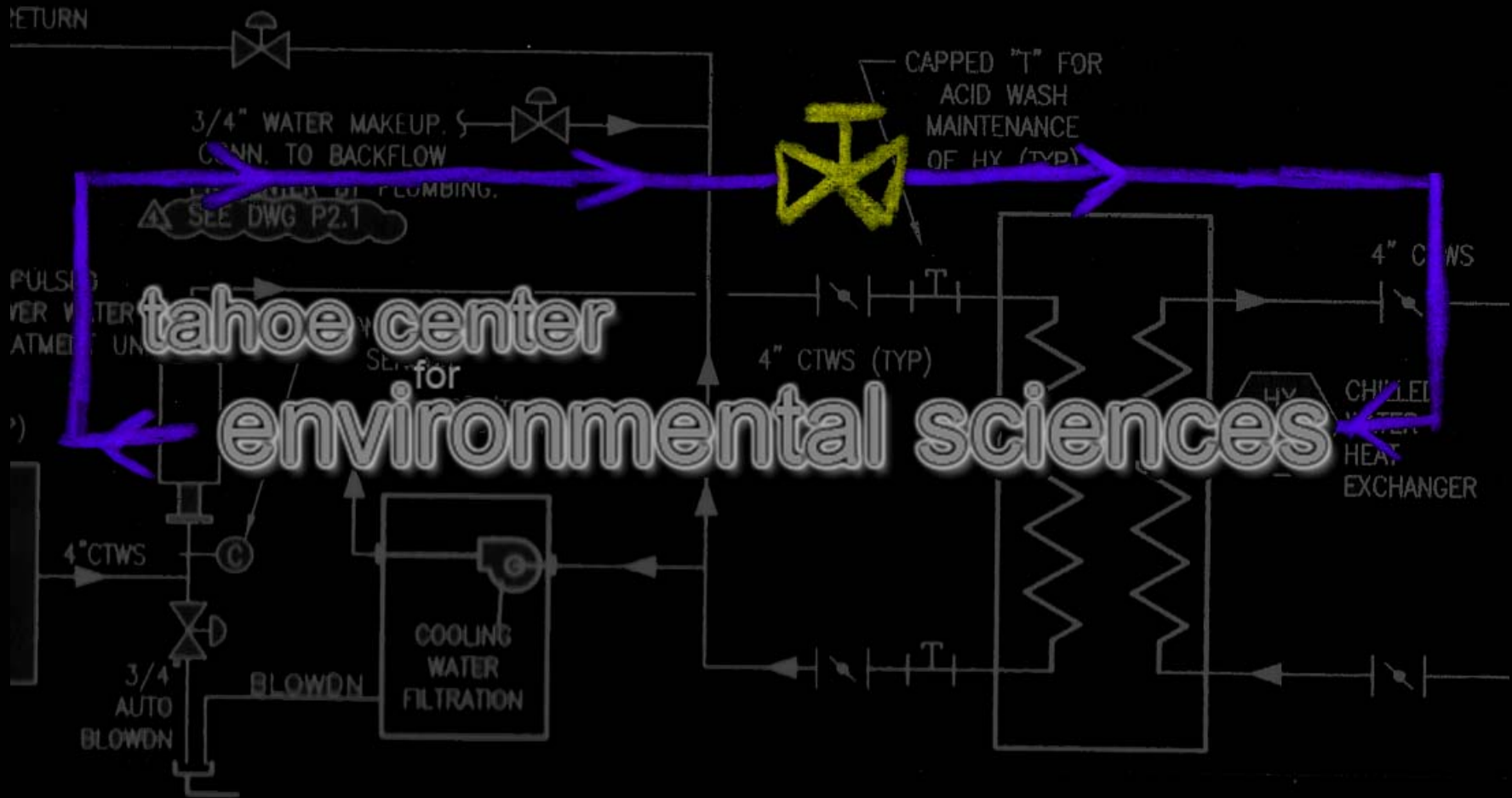
- \$1,500 per installed kW
- \$40,000 for BOS, contingencies, etc.
- Elec. and Gas prices obtained from Nevada Power
- **8 year payback**

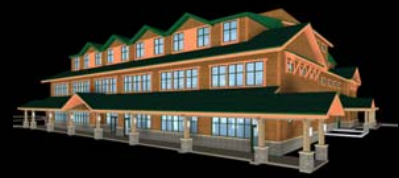


I WOULD Recommend

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mechanical





- Design Goals

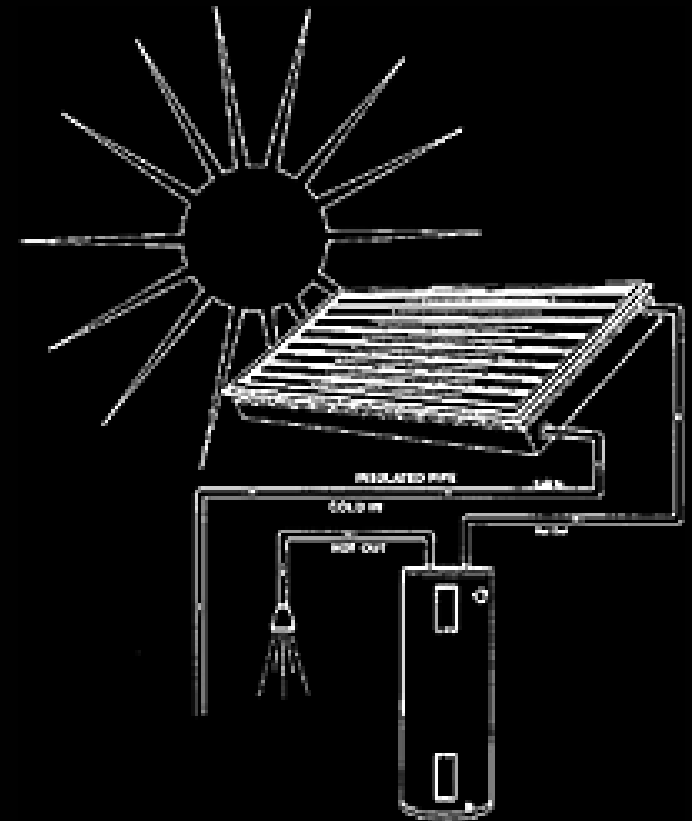
- Reasonable with building hot water load
- Fits onto roof area
- Payback < 10 years
- Emissions < using nat. gas boiler

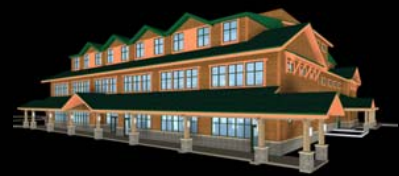
- Hot Water Load

- Obtained from eQuest and RETScreen
- 2.2 million BTUs per hour total
- Cogen units produce 0.3 million BTUs per hour

- Roof Area

- 360sf useable, continuous roof area





- Design Solution

- (6) 4' x 10' flat plate collectors

- Hot Water Load

- Gain of 0.049 million BTUs per hour
- 2.2% of Load

- Roof Area

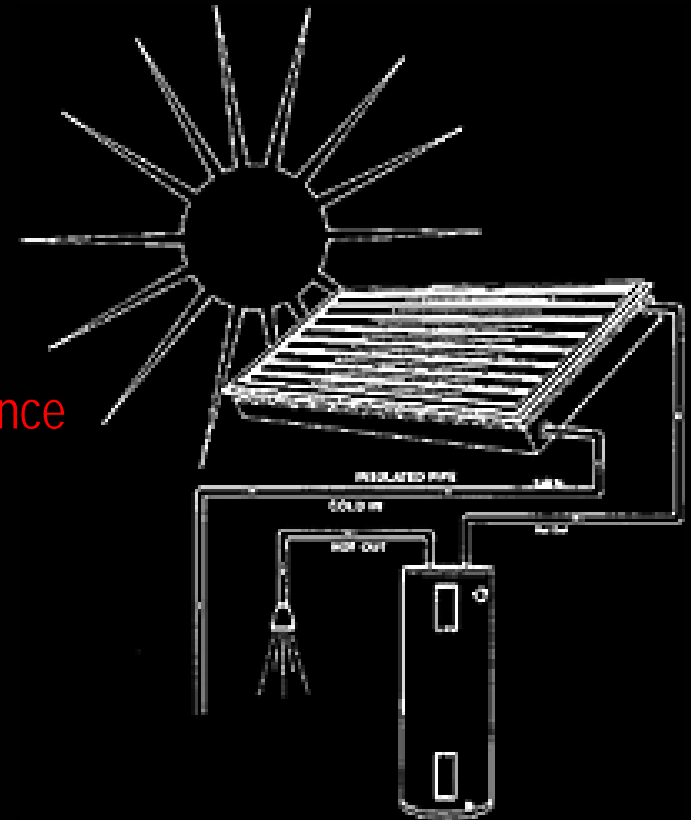
- Fits into area available, but little room for maintenance

- Emissions

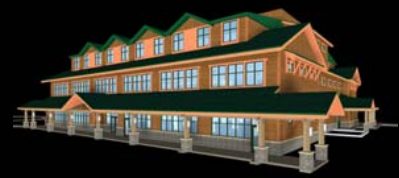
- RETScreen & EPA data used
- SAVES: 2,200 lbm CO₂ per year

- Payback

- RETScreen cost database used
- 16 year payback



I Would NOT Recommend



• Lighting

- Fixtures fit with architecture and are efficient
- Light levels adequate for space use
- Visual hierarchy achieved



• Cogeneration

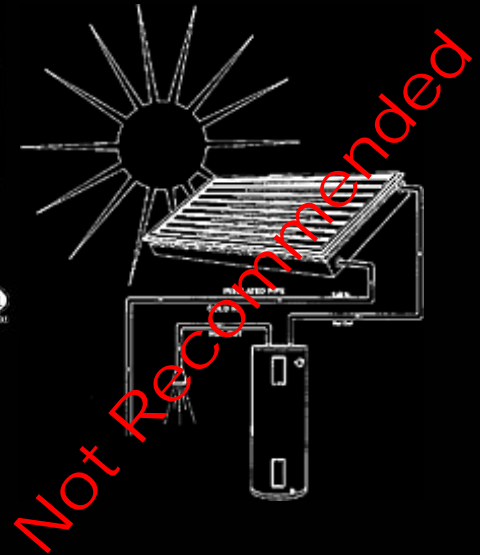
- (2) 30kW microturbines fit with building load
- Hot water is usable
- Large emissions savings
- 8 year payback

• Solar Hot Water

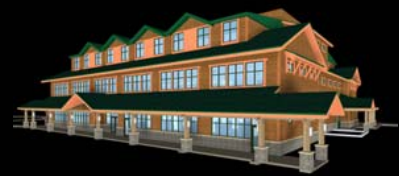
- (6) 4' x 10' collectors provide little load
- Collectors fit, but no other room
- Small emissions savings
- 16 year payback



Recommended



Not Recommended



- Professional

- Ryan Stromquist
- Dave Kaneda
- Todd Lankenau

- Family

- Mom, Dad, Sis
- Amanda Gerstenberg

- Faculty

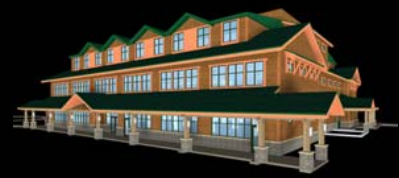
- Dr. Mistrick
- Dr. Moeck
- Dr. Freihaut
- Prof. Lau
- Prof. Parfitt

- Peers

- All AEs who helped me over the years

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questions



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