

Sustainable Buildings Checklist

The Sustainable Buildings Checklist evaluates sustainability in existing buildings. It was first developed for US federal building managers for compliance with the **Federal Guiding Principles for High Performance Sustainable Buildings**. It is also a valuable tool for evaluating the sustainability of non-government buildings.



Property Name: Administrative Building of America

Agency: Not Applicable

U.S. Federal Real Property Unique Identifier: Not Applicable

Target Date of Compliance: Actual Date of Compliance: Checklist Manager:

* Checklist completion percentage includes "Yes" and "Not Applicable" responses.

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	Employ Integrated Assessment, Operation, and Management Principles
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1. Employ Integrated Assessment, Operation, and Management Principles

~	Guiding Principle	Action	Supporting Documentation	Responsible Team Member
	1.1 Team Use an integrated team to develop and implement policy regarding sustainable operations and maintenance. Notes/Comments:	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A) Justification (if Not Applic	Team charter, roster or equivalent Completed "Responsible Team Member" fields Other:	
	1.2 Goals Establish operational performance goals for energy, water, material use and recycling, and indoor environmental quality, and ensure incorporation of these goals throughout the remaining lifecycle of the building. Incorporate sustainable operations and maintenance practices within the appropriate Environmental Management System (EMS). Notes/Comments:	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	EMS Manual that incorporates operational performance goals and sustainable operations and maintenance practices Other:	
	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Applie	cable):	
	1.3 Plan Incorporate a building management plan to ensure that operating decisions and tenant education are carried out with regard to integrated, sustainable building operations and maintenance.	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Training schedules Seminar Agendas/Flyers Newsletters Other:	
	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Applie	cable):	
	1.4 Occupant Feedback Augment building operations and maintenance as needed using occupant feedback on work space satisfaction.	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Post occupancy survey results Other:	
	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Applie	cable):	

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	Assess existing condition and operational procedures of the building and major building systems and identify areas for improvement. Employ recommissioning, tailored to the size and complexity of the building and its system components, in order to optimize and verify performance of fundamental building systems. Commissioning must be performed by an experienced	O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Commissioning report with summary of actions taken and recommissioning schedule Other:	
	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Appl	icable):	

2. Optimize Energy Performance

	Guiding F	Principle		Action	Supporting Documentation	Responsible Team Member
2.1. Energy Efficiency						
Use one or more of the following th	ree options to m	neasure energy e	efficiency performance.			
Option #1 - Option 1 Receive an ENERGY STAR® score			, ,	O Yes O No	Current ENERGY STAR Score demonstrates compliance if it is 75 or	
	Baseline	Current	Change	O In Process O Not Assessed	higher. ENERGY STAR Certification	
Year Ending	N/A	N/A	N/A	O Not Applicable (N/A)	demonstrates compliance	
ENERGY STAR Score	N/A	N/A	N/A	Not Applicable (N/A)	Othori	
Source Energy Use (kBtu)	N/A	N/A	N/A		Other:	
Source EUI (kBtu/ft²)	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Site Energy Use (kBtu)	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Site EUI (kBtu/ft²)	N/A	N/A	N/A			
ENERGY STAR Certification - La Notes/Comments:	st Approval Da	ite: Not Applical	ble	Justification (if Not App		
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Option #2 - Option 2 Reduce measured building energy thereafter with quality energy use d		mpared to buildin Current	g energy use in 2003 or a ye Change	O In Process O Not Assessed	The Change column for Site Energy Use or Site Energy Use - Adjusted to Current Year demonstrates compliance if it is a reduction of 20% or greater.	
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Reduce measured building energy thereafter with quality energy use d Year Ending	Baseline	Current N/A	Change N/A	O No In Process Not Assessed	Use or Site Energy Use - Adjusted to Current Year demonstrates compliance if it is a reduction of 20% or greater. Metered energy consumption reduction calculation	
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	Option #3 - Option 3 Reduce energy use by 20% compa design information is available.	red to the ASHI	RAE 90.1 2007 t	oaseline I	ouilding design if	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Results of design calculations and/or energy modeling	
	Notes/Comments:					Justification (if Not Appli	cable):	
	2.2 Efficient Products Use ENERGY STAR and FEMP-de	esignated Energ	y Efficient Produ	ucts, whe	re available.	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Purchasing policy Construction specifications Affirmative procurement reports Other:	
	Notes/Comments:					Justification (if Not Appli		
	2.3 Onsite Renewable Energy Implement renewable energy general lifecycle cost effective.	ration projects c		rty for ag		O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed	The Change column for Electricity Use -Generated from Onsite Renewable Systems and Used Onsite demonstrates compliance if it is greater	
		Baseline	Current		Change	O Not Applicable (N/A)	than zero.	
		N/A N/A	N/A	N/A		, ,	Design specs and photos	
	, , ,	N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A			Statement of work Justification that not lifecycle cost effective	
	Percent of Total Electricity Generated from Onsite Renewable Systems	N/A	N/A	N/A			Other:	
	Notes/Comments:					Justification (if Not Appli	cable):	
	2.4 Measurement Per the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (to track and continuously optimize p (EISA) 2007, the utility meters must steam are used. ENERGY STAR Certification - Las	t also include na	atural gas and st	team, wh	nce and Security Act	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	ENERGY STAR Certification demonstrates compliance Statement of work Billing records Other:	

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	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Appli	cable):	
	2.5 Benchmarking Compare annual performance data with previous years' performance data, preferably by entering annual performance data into the ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager and/or Labs 21 for laboratories.	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Portfolio Manager's Performance Highlights Report for two comparative periods. Current Portfolio Manager Statement of Energy Performance (SEP) Labs 21 Analysis Other:	
	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Appli	cable):	

3. Protect and Conserve Water

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	Reduce potable water use by 20% compared to a water baseline calculated for the building. The water baseline, for buildings with plumbing fixtures installed in 1994 or later, is 120% of the Uniform Plumbing Codes (UPC) 2006 or the International Plumbing Codes (IPC) 2006 fixture performance requirements. The water baseline for plumbing fixtures older than 1994 is 160% of the UPC 2006 or the IPC 2006 fixture performance requirements.					O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A) Justification (if Not Appl	Watergy or other analysis LEED water calculator analysis Other: icable):	
	Option #2 - Option 2 Reduce building measured potabl or a year thereafter with quality was water use (indoor and outdoor cor or a year thereafter. The metrics because information. Year Ending Total Water Use (all Water Sources) (kgal) Indoor Water Use (All Water Sources) (kgal) Indoor Water Intensity (All Water Sources) (gal/ft²)	ater data. If only ombined) by at least below could include the sources of not be a seline N/A N/A N/A	one meter is instant st 20% compare de non-potable v	called for the site, ed to building wat vater. See EPA's	, reduce the ter use in 2003 s <u>water meter</u> FEMP for more	O Not Assessed	The Change column for Indoor Water Use (All Water Sources) demonstrates compliance. The Change column for Total Water Use (All Water Sources) demonstrates compliance. Portfolio Manager Water Performance Report Metered water consumption reduction calculation Other:	
	Notes/Comments:					Justification (if Not Appl	icable):	
	3.2. Outdoor Water Use one or more of the following to performance. Option #1 - Option 1 Reduce potable irrigation water us	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Watergy or other analysis LEED water calculator analysis Other:		

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	Notes/Comments:					Justification (if Not Applicable):			
	Option #2 - Option 2 Reduce building related potable irrigation water use by 50% compared to measured irrigation water use in 2003 or a year thereafter with quality water data. If only one meter is installed for the site, reduce the potable water use (indoor and outdoor combined) by at least 20% compared to building water use in 2003 or a year thereafter. The metrics below could include non-potable water. See EPA's water meter FAQ. US federal users with metered sources of non-potable water should contact FEMP for more information.				eter is installed for least 20% compared nclude non-potable	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	The Change column for Outdoor Water Use (All Water Sources) demonstrates compliance. The Change column for Total Water Use (All Water Sources) demonstrates compliance. Portfolio Manager Water Performance		
	Year Ending Total Water Use (all Water Sources) (kgal) Outdoor Water Use (All Water Sources) (kgal)	N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A	Change		Report Metered water consumption reduction calculation Other:		
	Notes/Comments:					Justification (if Not Applicable):			
	Option #3 - Option 3 Use no potable irrigation water.					O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Site plan Landscape plan Other:		
	Notes/Comments:					Justification (if Not Appl	icable):		
	3.3 Storm Water Employ strategies that reduce st EISA Section 438, where redeve construction, and maintenance s to restore hydrologic conditions f feasible.	elopment affects sit strategies to mainta	te hydrology, use ain hydrologic co	e site plai inditions o	nning, design, during development, o	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan Proof of implementation of EISA Section 438 technical guidance Other:		
	Notes/Comments:					Justification (if Not Appl	icable):		

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	3.4 Water Efficient Products Where available, use EPA's WaterSense ® labeled products or other water conserving products. Choose irrigation contractors who are certified through a WaterSense-labeled program.	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Purchasing policy Construction specifications Affirmative procurement reports Other:	
	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Appl	icable):	

4. Enhance Indoor Environmental Quality

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	4.1 Ventilation and Thermal Comfort Meet ASHRAE Standard 55-2004 Thermal Environmental Conditions for Human Occupancy and ASHRAE Standard 62.1-2007: Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality. ENERGY STAR Certification - Last Approval Date: Not Applicable	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	ENERGY STAR Certification demonstrates compliance Stamped Portfolio Manager Statement of Energy Performance (SEP) Documentation from licensed architect or engineer Other:	
	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Applie	cable):	
	4.2 Moisture Control Provide policy and illustrate the use of an appropriate moisture control strategy to prevent building damage, minimize mold contamination, and reduce health risks related to moisture. For facade renovations, Dew Point analysis and a plan for cleanup or infiltration of moisture into building materials are required.	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Policy for preventing moisture accumulation and mold in the building Commissioning / Recommissioning / Retro-commissioning report that includes inspection driven moisture prevention Other:	
	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Appli	cable):	
	4.3 Automated Lighting Controls Provide automated lighting controls (occupancy/vacancy sensors with manual-off capability) for appropriate spaces including restrooms, conference and meeting rooms, employee lunch and break rooms, training classrooms, and offices.	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Schematic of floor layout showing automated lighting controls Other:	
	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Appli	cable):	
	4.4. Daylighting and Occupant Controls Use one or both of the following two options to meet additional daylighting and lighting controls performance expectations.			
	Option #1 - Daylighting Achieve a minimum daylight factor of 2 percent (excluding all direct sunlight penetration) in 50 percent of all space occupied for critical visual tasks.	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	☐ Indoor daylight measurements ☐ Glazing factor calculations ☐ Computer simulations ☐ Other:	

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	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Applie	cable):	
	Option #2 - Occupant Controls Provide occupant controlled lighting, allowing adjustments to suit individual task needs, for 50% of regularly occupied spaces.	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Schematic of floor layout showing occupant controlled lighting Other:	
	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Applie	cable):	
		O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Purchasing policy Construction specifications Affirmative procurement reports Other:	
	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Applie	cable):	
	4.6 Integrated Pest Management Use integrated pest management techniques as appropriate to minimize pesticide usage. Use EPA-registered pesticides only when needed.	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Integrated pest management plan Purchasing policy Construction specifications Affirmative procurement reports Other:	
	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Applic	cable):	
		O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Environmental tobacco smoke control policy Other:	

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	Notes/Comments:		Justification (if Not Applicab	le):	

5. Reduce Environmental Impact of Materials

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	Per section 6002 of RCRA, for EPA-designated products, meet or exceed EPA's recycled content recommendations for building modifications, maintenance, and cleaning. For other products, use materials with recycled content such that the sum of postconsumer recycled content plus one-half of the pre-consumer content constitutes at least 10% (based on cost or weight) of the total value of the materials in the project. If EPA-designated products meet performance requirements and are available at a reasonable cost, a preference for purchasing them shall be included in all solicitation relevant to construction, operation, maintenance of or use in the building. EPA's recycled content products designations and recycled content recommendations are available on EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guideline web site at www.epa.gov/cpg .	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Purchasing policy Construction specifications Affirmative procurement reports Other:	
	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Appli	cable):	
	5.2 Biobased Content Per section 9002 of FSRIA, for USDA-designated products, use products with the highest content level per USDA's biobased content recommendations. For other products, use biobased products made from rapidly renewable resources and certified sustainable wood products. If these designated products meet performance requirements and are available at a reasonable cost, a preference for purchasing them should be included in all solicitations relevant to construction, operation, maintenance of or use in building. USDA's biobased product designations and biobased content recommendations are available on USDA's BioPreferred web site at www.biopreferred.gov .	O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Purchasing policy Construction specifications Affirmative procurement reports Other:	
	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Applicable):		
	5.3 Environmentally Preferable Products Use products that have a lesser or reduced effect on human health and the environment over their lifecycle when compared with competing products or services that serve the same purpose. A number of standards and ecolabels are available in the marketplace to assist specifiers in making environmentally preferable decisions. For recommendations, consult the Federal Green Construction Guide for Specifiers at www.wbdg.org/design/greenspec.php	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Purchasing policy Construction specifications Affirmative procurement reports Other:	
	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Appli	cable):	
	This could include such things as beverage containers and paper from building occupants,	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Program and education plan for paper, cardboard, plastic, glass, metal Salvage/recycling agreements Contract specifications Other:	

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	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Appl	icable):	
	5.5 Ozone Eliminate the use of ozone depleting compounds where alternative environmentally preferable products are available, consistent with either the Montreal Protocol and Title VI of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990, or equivalent overall air quality benefits that take into account lifecycle impacts.	O Yes O No O In Process O Not Assessed O Not Applicable (N/A)	Purchasing policy Construction specifications Affirmative procurement reports Other:	
	Notes/Comments:	Justification (if Not Appl	icable):	

Supplemental Property & Checklist Information

Property Details & IDs

Portfolio Manager Property ID

Portfolio Manager Property ID 4053460
Portfolio Manager Parent Property ID (if applicable) Not Applicable

Custom ID's

No Custom IDs have been created for this property

Standard ID's

No Standard IDs have been created for this property

Third Party Certification(s)

None

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Checklist/Certification Target Compliance Date Actual Compliance Date

Sustainable Buildings Checklist Not Entered

Notes for this Checklist

None

Supporting Documentation on File for Administrative Building of America Checklist

The following documents have been uploaded to Portfolio Manager in support of the Federal Guiding Principles checklist for this property: