# OFFSITE CONSTRUTION: THE FUTURE?

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### WHY OFF-SITE CONSTRUCTION?







over the next 30 years **75%** of the built environment will be new or renovated

#### **DEMOGRAPHIC & COSTS**



**Enviro Emma** 

#### **Background & Demographics**

Gender: M/F Approach: Emotional

Age: 35-60 Income: Comfortable, Whole Foods

**AND Trader Joes** Role: Varies - broad

demographic Actives – 19%

#### **Background & Demographics**

Gender: Primarily male Approach: Pragmatic

Age: 40-60 Income: Comfortable, but doesn't

spend frivolously

Role: Scientist, engineer, Actives and seekers - 52%

educator

#### **Background & Demographics**

Gender: Couples/families, single or divorced

Approach: Pragmatic and emotional

Income: Comfortable, but fixed Age: 55+

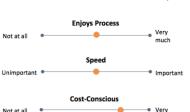
Sceptics and actives - 45%

Role: Professional nearing

retirement

### "Green"

**Typical Tendencies** 



#### **Challenges/Pain Points**

Getting modern conveniences but with minimal environmental impact

Comps, appraisals, cost

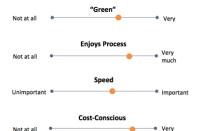
#### **Typical Tendencies Challenges/Pain Points**

Can't find what they want in the existing home inventory

Wants to "do things right"

#### "Green" Very Not at all **Enjoys Process** Unimportant . Important Cost-Conscious

#### **Typical Tendencies**



#### **Challenges/Pain Points**

Current homeowner with a large house that requires a lot of cleaning and maintenance

Concerned about multi-story house and aging in place



**Downsizer Dana** 

Techie Todd

\$170 - \$200 / SF, ABOUT 10% LESS THAN STICK-BUILT...SOMETIMES



### WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD?



### **BUILDING DATA**









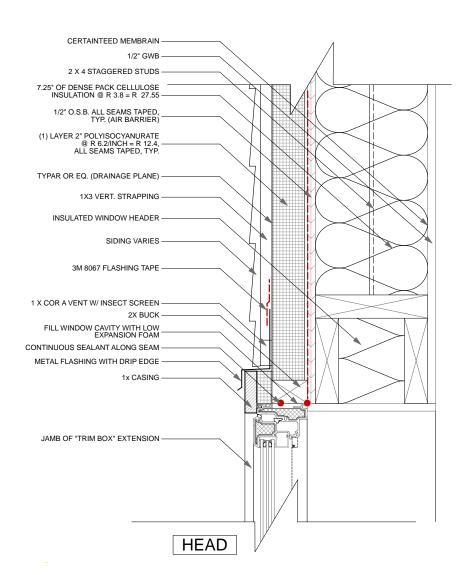








4000-6000 kWh/year R-20/20/40/60 1.5 ACH50



# LAKE|FLATO ARCHITECTS SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Porch House is founded on the idea that dwellings shelter us, adapt and respond to the environment, and connect us to our surroundings. Our dwellings are realized using sound principals that have guided Lake|Flato for over 30 years; principals of design, sustainability, quality, and efficient fabrication and construction.

We've identified the consistently successful attributes of our Lake|Flato residences and applied them to a library of pre-designed living and sleeping rooms. Working closely with the clients and the opportunities of the site, we determine the optimal combination, arrangement, and construction of Rooms and Porches. The result is a site-specific Lake|Flato house connected to the landscape, and delivered with an efficient and predictable process.

### WHY OFF-SITE CONSTRUCTION?

## IDEALS vs. PRACTICE

The Lake|Flato Porch House studio was developed to streamline the design process through the timely, economic, environmental, and structural benefits of modular construction techniques.

We focus on executing the most appropriate and efficient methods of construction and fabrication on a project-by-project basis, whether elements should be fabricated for site assembly or site-built.

### **DEMOGRAPHIC & COSTS**

## WHO

Porch Houses are not designed for a particular demographic, but rather designed toward flexibility and simplicity. The modular design of our Porch House Rooms allows for easy customization, arrangement, and connection.

## **HOW**

We arrange Rooms on the site to take advantage of sun, breeze, and views. We connect these Rooms on the site with custom Porches, which serve to link the events of our daily lives, draw us into the landscape, and connect us to the outdoors. Together they provide the shade, light, circulation, and living spaces that make each Porch House particular to its place.

## **COST**

Every Porch House is unique to its site and homeowner, but a typical completed Porch House will require roughly one year and will cost about \$250-\$300 per square foot.

### **PROJECTS COMPLETED**

#### MILLER RANCH









BLUFFVIEW









PROW









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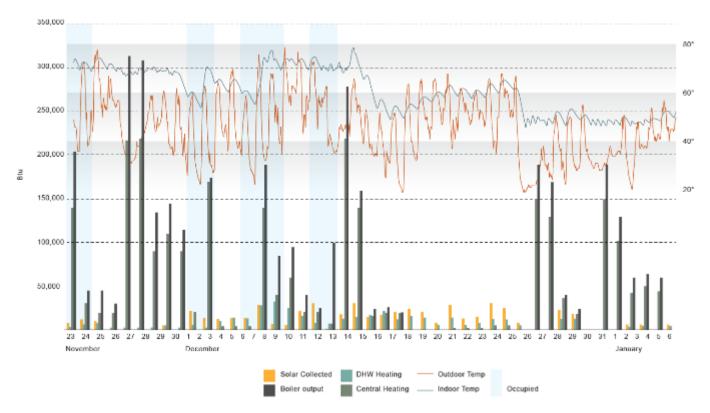


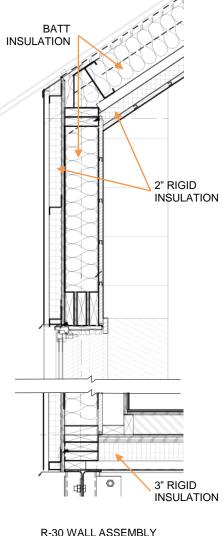
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## **BUILDING DATA | PROW**

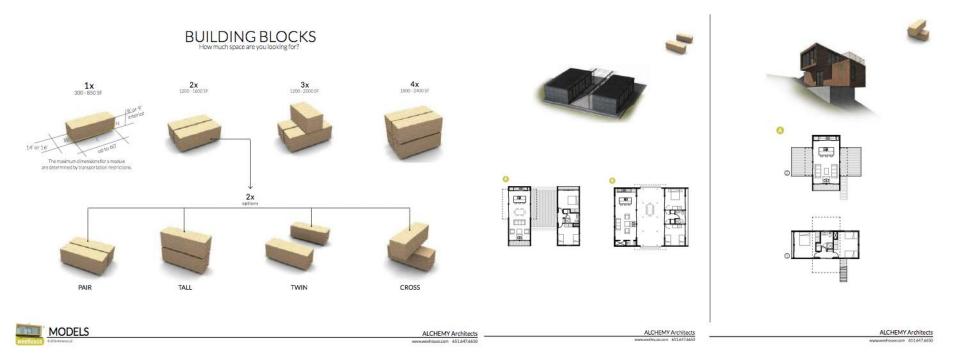
#### DATA COLLECTED AT THE PROW USED FOR ANALYSIS AND TROUBLESHOOTING:

Energy end uses at a per second level, energy sources, Indoor temperature, outdoor temperature,  $CO_2$  concentrations, Relative Humidity, solar thermal collected, boiler thermal output, water heating and central heating thermal flux.





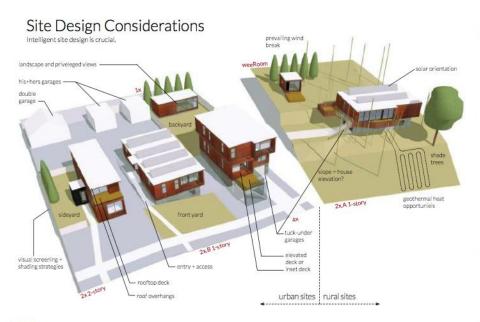
## ALCHEMY ST. PAUL, MN







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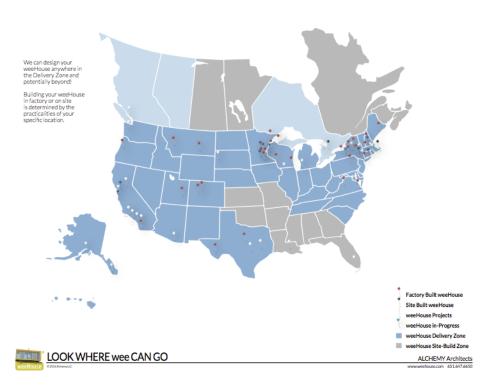
SITE DESIGN

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## **PROJECTS COMPLETED**





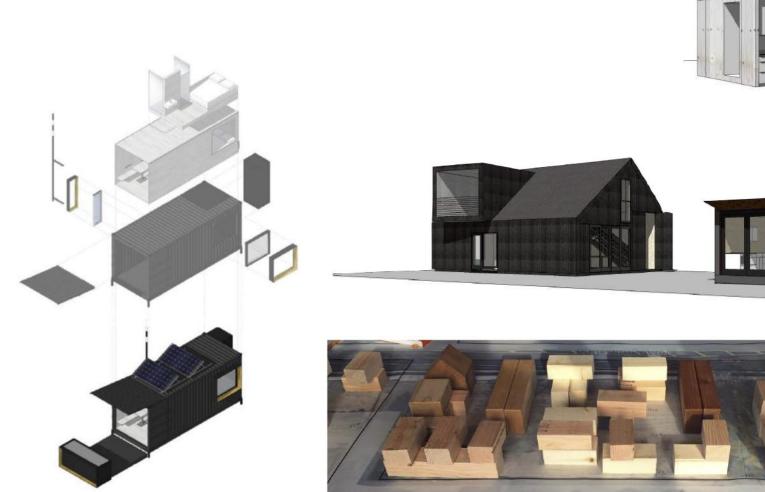








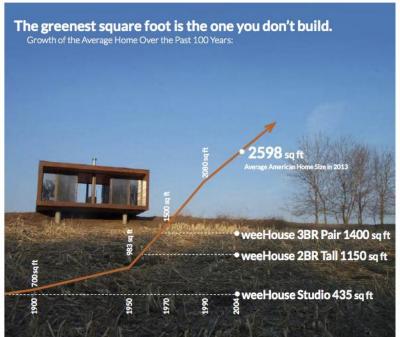
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### **BUILDING DATA**



#### LARGE SPACE, smaller package

The weef-louse achieves a 'big house feel' in a smaller package by judicious use of floor-to-ceilling glass, open kitchens, reduced circulation space, and built-in cabinetry.

#### MORE QUALITY, LESS CONSUMPTION

With less stuff, your money and our Earth's resources go further. Simply, less is more.

#### PASSIVE SOLAR DESIGN

The combination of a well insulated building envelope, solar or lentation, shading, and natural ventilation allow the weel-louse to be heated by the sun and cooled with the wind. Fold-down overhangs protect your glazing and walls from summer sun and rain.

#### REFLECTIVE ROOF

White rubber roofs reflect the sun's heat. Vented roof spaces allow additional heat separation.

#### RENEWABLE ENERGY

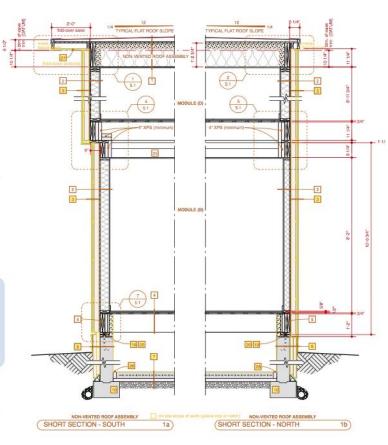
Our homes are easily integrated with Solar PV (electricity) and Solar Thermal Collectors which collect the suns energy.

#### GEOTHERMAL HEATING

Ground source heat pumps which use the Earth's 55° year-round ground temperature as latent energy to heat or cool fluids running your house. Urban or rural sites can be served by tubing buried in deep wells or in large fields.

#### UPGRADE TO weeZERO

How fair is far enough? The weetZERO balos is tall the way. By combining low-tech possive solar principals with the most high tech renewable energy technologies, the weetZERO is able to produce as much energy as it consumes. Talk to us about the costs and energy reductions you can expect. It's good for you and good for our Earth.



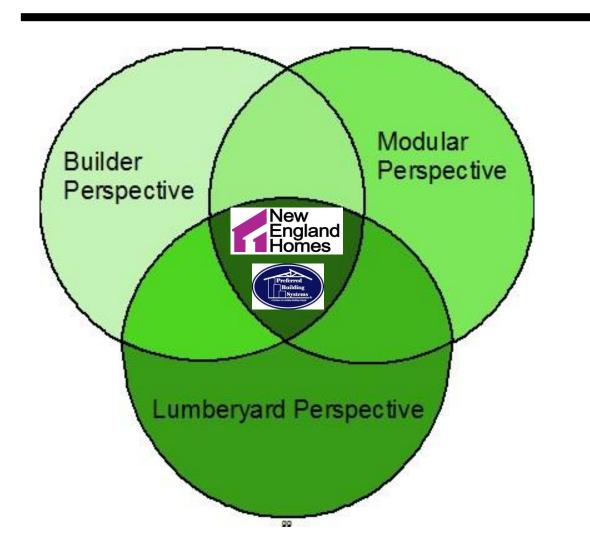


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# PREFERRED BUILDING SYSTEMS/NEW ENGLAND HOMES

**CLAREMONT, NEW HAMPSHIRE** 



We are a manufacturer that sells wholesale to builders & developers throughout New England

### WHY OFF-SITE CONSTRUCTION?

Challenges with any construction project

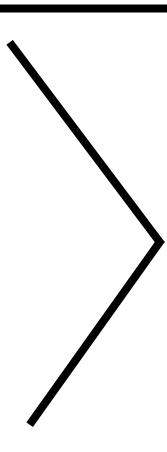
Labor

**Soft Costs** 

Time lines

Weather

Job site security



Minimal site impact to neighborhood

Secure structure

Coordination support for the builder with labor allocation

Reduces risks of weather, security, safety concerns.

Reduces cost over-runs with change orders

Can reduce permit to completion time from 8-10 months\* to as quick as 3-4 months.

Lowers builder's <u>in place</u> costs for the structure

\$ Frees up a builder to focus on developing new business

#### **DEMOGRAPHIC & COSTS**

#### Who we serve:

**Architects** 

**Builders** 

**Spec Builders** 

Municipal offices\*

School Housing\*

First Time Homebuyer\*

**Developers** (Multifamily)

Empty nesters looking to downsize\*

Retail Budget Costs: \$130 - \$200 per SF American Commis

Energy Efficient/High Performance clients\*

### **PROJECTS COMPLETED**

### 2007 - Year End 2015: 422 Projects in New England



- Beach Houses
- City Infill lots
- Cottages
- Country Homes
- Municipal
- Primary Residential









#### WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD?

#### Crystal Ball is only as good as to how we respond these challenges:

- New Construction will be subject to and directed by new regulatory standards and compliance
- Aging workforce
- Efficiency of supply chain management
- Educating public and traditional industry the benefits of offsite construction.

#### **Market Potential:**

Today - Off Site Construction with modular accounts for less than 3% of all new construction starts.\*

### **BUILDING DATA**

Built First Modular Passive House in 2010 in the USA

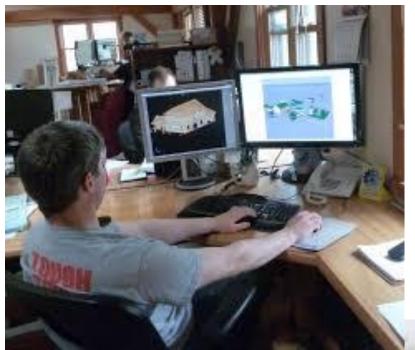


Production line process is less than 3 weeks



Average annual square footage production 130,000 sf and growing

WALPOLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE



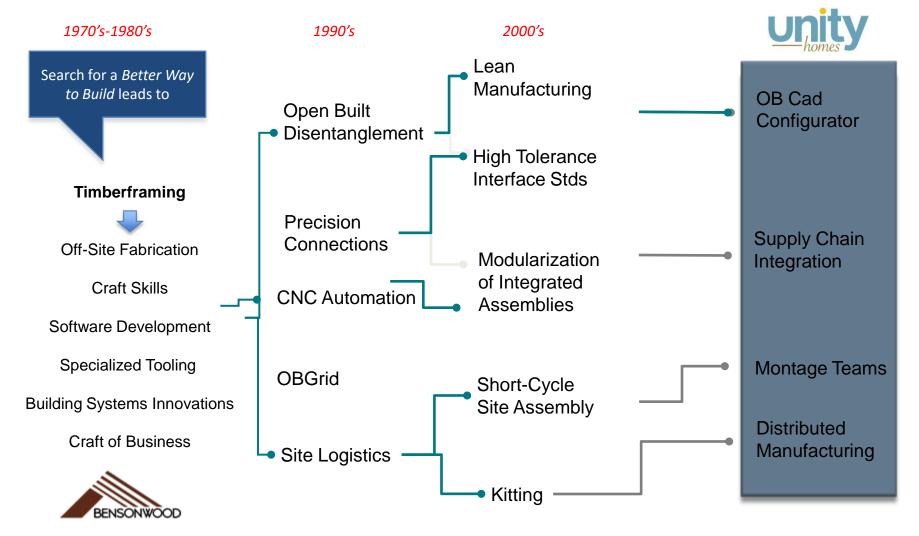








#### WHY OFF-SITE CONSTRUCTION?



#### **DEMOGRAPHIC & COSTS**

Retirees

Young families

Same Sex Couples



Current homes \$200K-\$400K \$150-\$180 psf

#### **PROJECTS COMPLETED**

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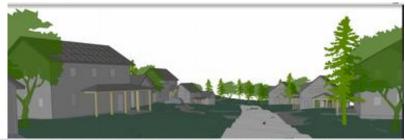


#### WHAT'S THE FUTURE HOLD?











#### **BUILDING DATA**

**Selected Product Line Features** 

Typical Insulation:

Wall: R-28 - 35

Ceiling/Roof: R-38 –45

Air-tightness:

<.6ACH@50Pa

#### Objective

ENERGY	<ul> <li>Fossil Fuel Free</li> <li>60 - 100% reduction in H &amp; C expenses over conventional</li> </ul>
BUILDING CYCLE	20 days (2 days for weather-sealed building envelope)
FINANCING COSTS	Reduced term, reduced exposure
Construction Costs	A 10-15% reduction over a conventional custom-built home
RANGE OF DESIGN	Full range of design configured off of 4 volumetric platforms
TRIM OPTIONALITY	3-5 Trim Levels: Good, Better, Best, Custom, Branded
HEALTH	Highest air quality standard attainable; Low/No VOCs
REPAIR & REMODEL	70-80% of renovation cost for a conventionally built home
JOB SITE WASTE	< 80 lbs vs 10,500 lbs standard construction
ENDURANCE GUARANTEE	• 50 yr guarantee on building envelope (shell)

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# CAN WE TALK?