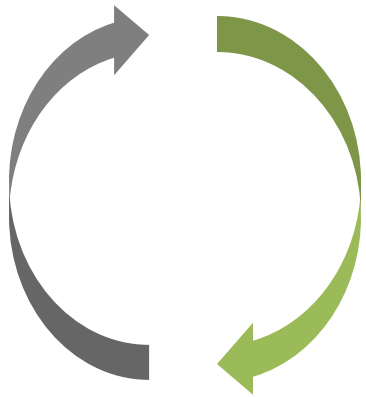


**Water/Energy/Carbon  
Nexus  
and  
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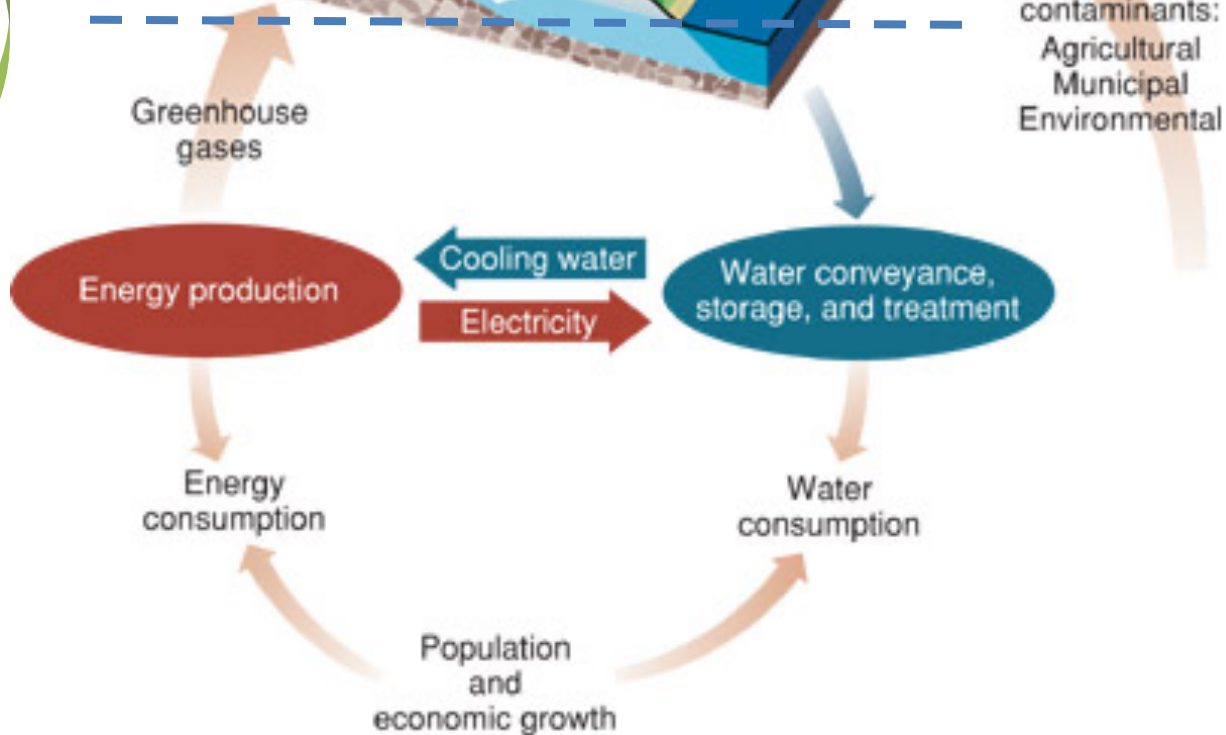
Global hydrologic cycle



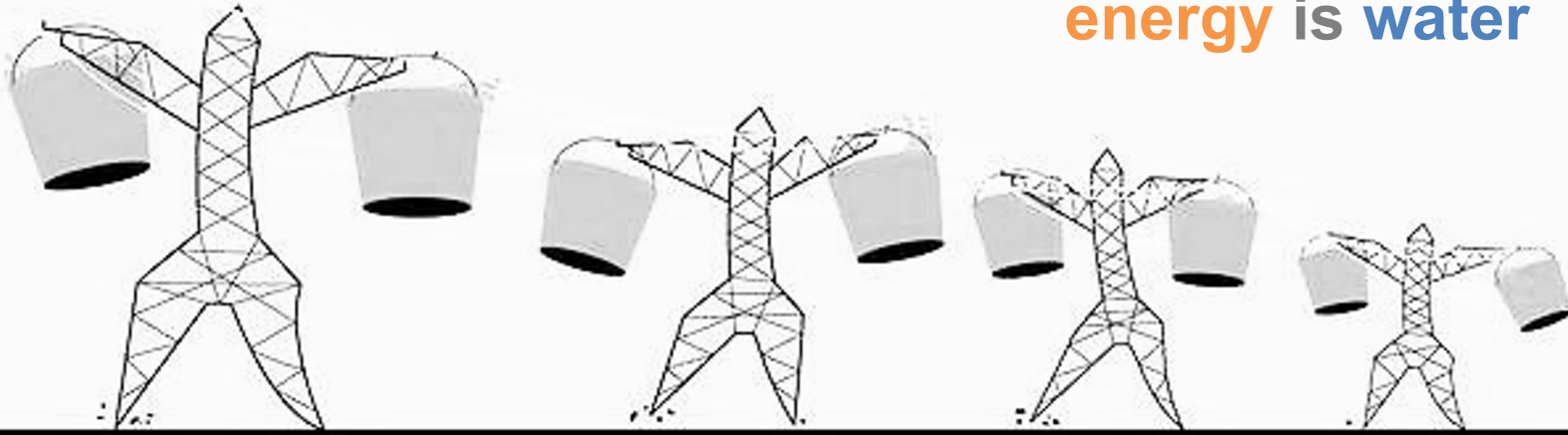
Natural System



Artificial System

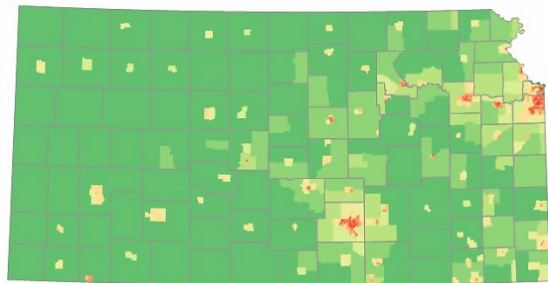


In the U.S.  
the greatest single use of  
**water is energy**  
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**energy is water**





**10 Tons CO2**

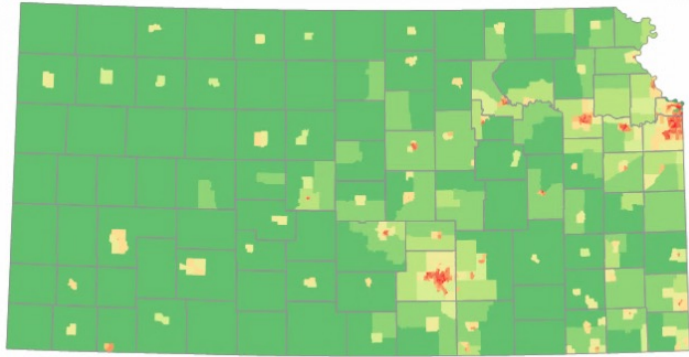


According to the U.S. DOE's Energy Information Administration, The 2008 electrical production in the State of Kansas was **46,630,000 MWh**

Given the region's fuel mix, this electrical production results in **1,961 lb.'s of CO2 / MWhr.**

So, the CO2 emissions in Kansas from electrical generation In 2008 was nearly **41,000,000 Metric Tons**

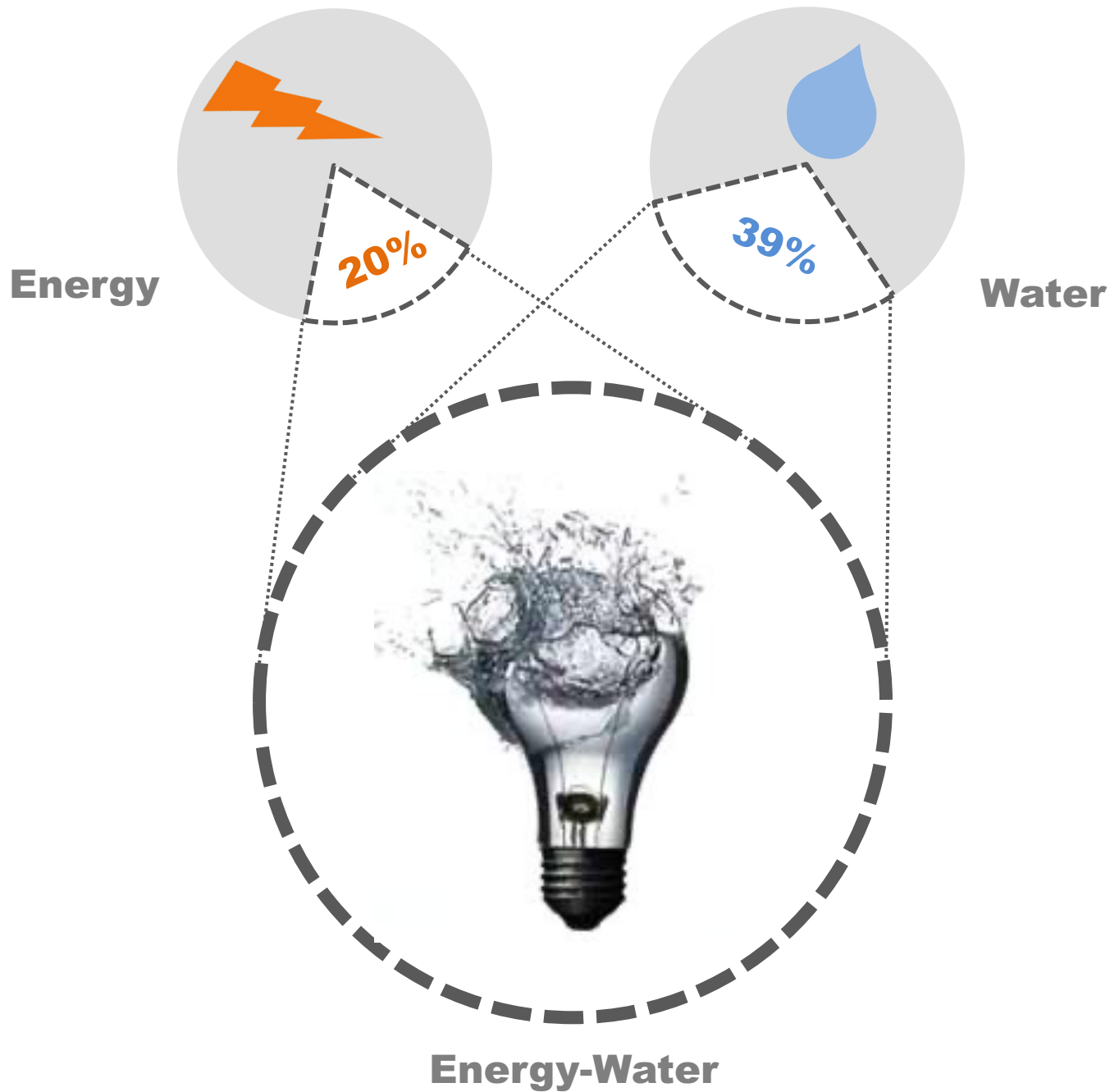
This is the equivalent of **4,100,000 Goodyear Blimps**  
Or enough to cover the entire State in a layer of CO2 12" deep.

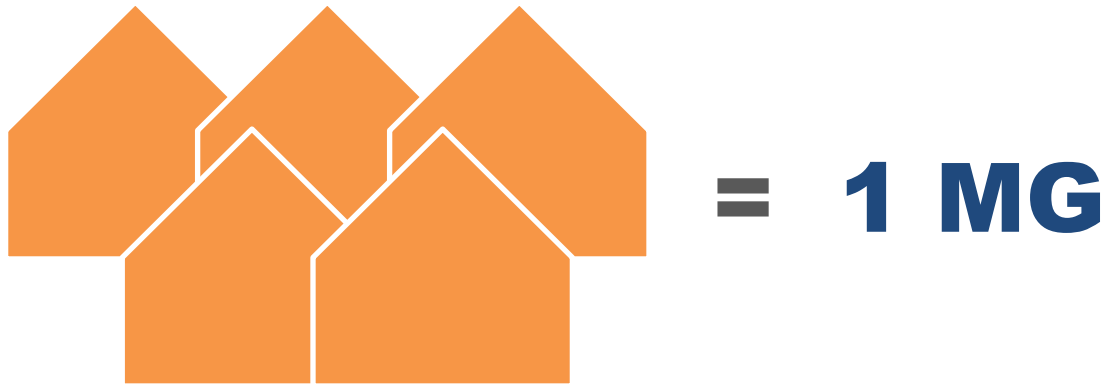


Returning to the State of Kansas in 2008,  
There were **46,630,000 MWh** of electrical generation.

According to U.S.G.S. figures,  
Kansas thermo-electric generation plants used  
**821,000 million gallons of water** in the year 2000.

Assuming the 2000 and 2008 statistics are roughly comparable,  
in Kansas, it takes 17,600 gallons of water to generate 1 MWh.  
or **17.6 gallons to generate 1 KWh.**

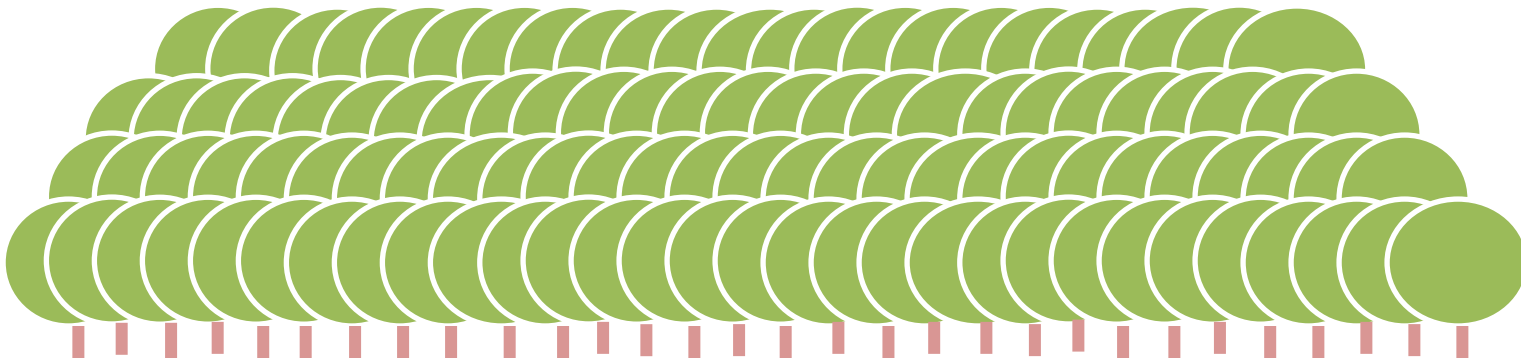




**1 MG = 2.7 MWh**

**2.7 MWh = 2.7 Tons CO2**

**2.7 Tons CO2 = 108 Trees**



# 1. Energy – Water

Energy Demands Water, Water Demands Energy

# 2. Energy = Carbon

Electrical Generation is from Fossil Fuels

# 3. Water = Carbon

Water Systems Reliant on Massive Electrical Generation

# 4. Resources Overtaxed

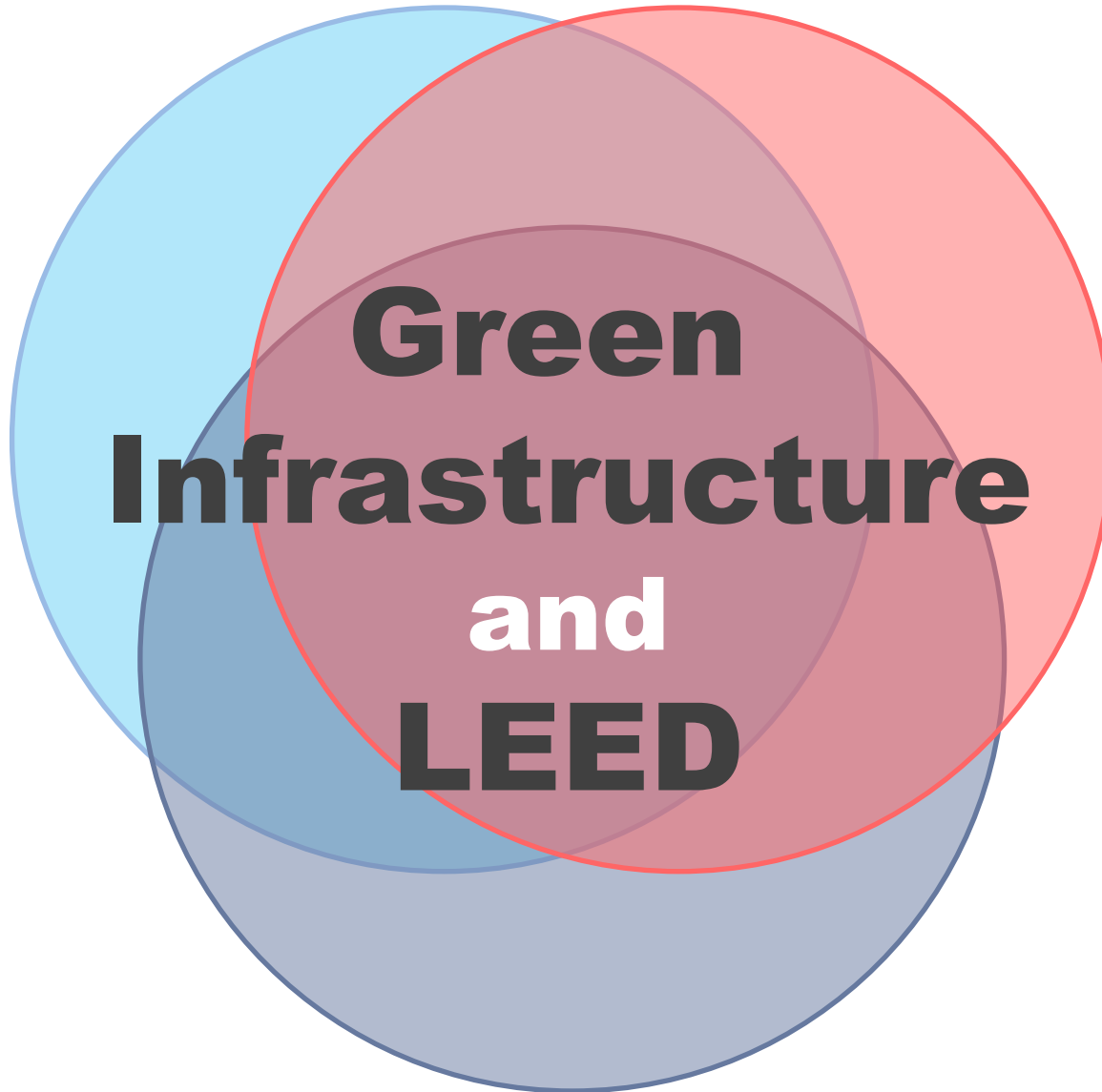
Demand/Supply Unsustainable

# 5. Combined Sewer Systems/ Impervious Landscape/ Heat Island Effect/ Pollution

# 6. Natural System Harmed

Water Sheds, Air & Water Quality, Eco-Systems (all scales)





# 1 **Human Waste is a Resource**

It should be captured and processed effectively and put to use nourishing land and crops.

# 2 **Stormwater is a Resource**

Harvest stormwater as a water supply and infiltrate or retain it to support aquifers, waterways and vegetation.

# 3 **Reuse and Reclamation**

Water can be used multiple times by cascading it from higher to lower-quality needs (gray water for irrigation) and by reclamation treatment for return to supply.

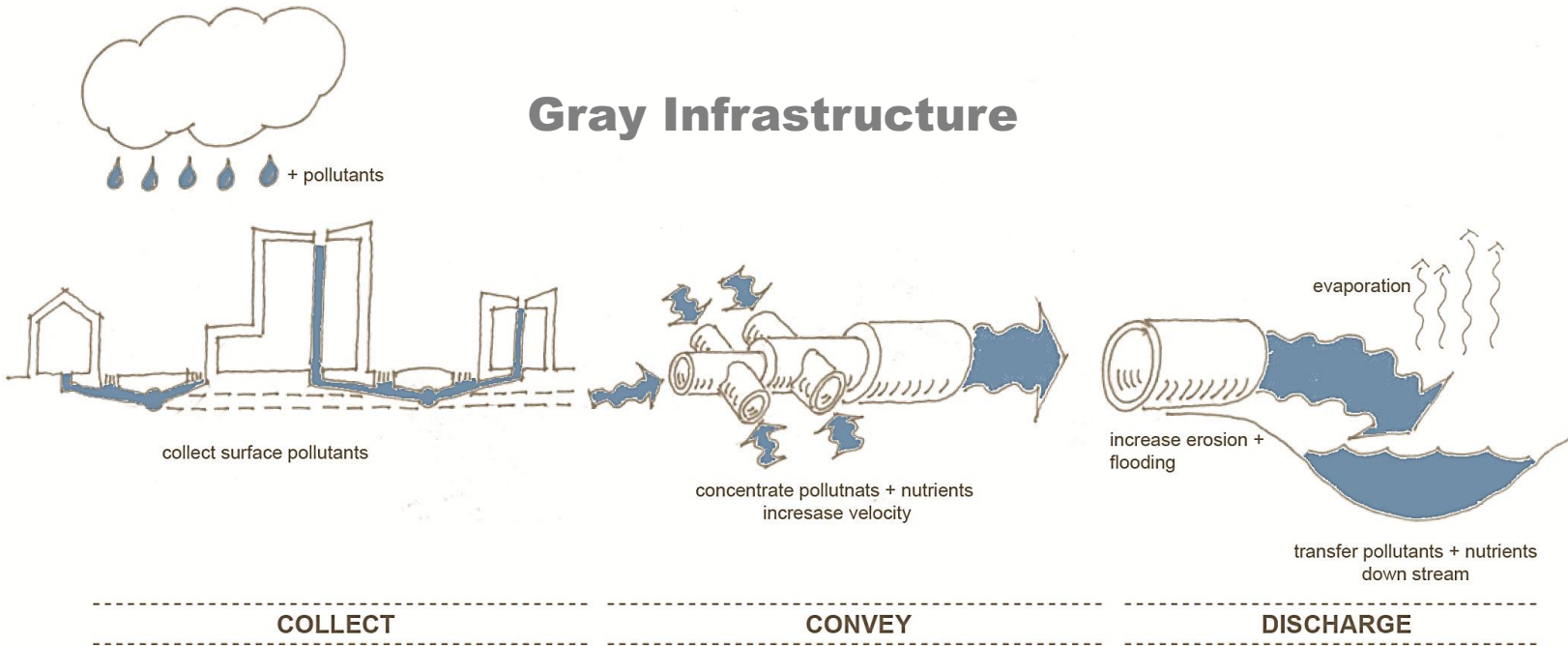
# 4 **Green Infrastructure**

In addition to “Gray Infrastructure” techniques (pipes, treatment plants, etc.) include the natural capacities of soil and vegetation to absorb and treat water.

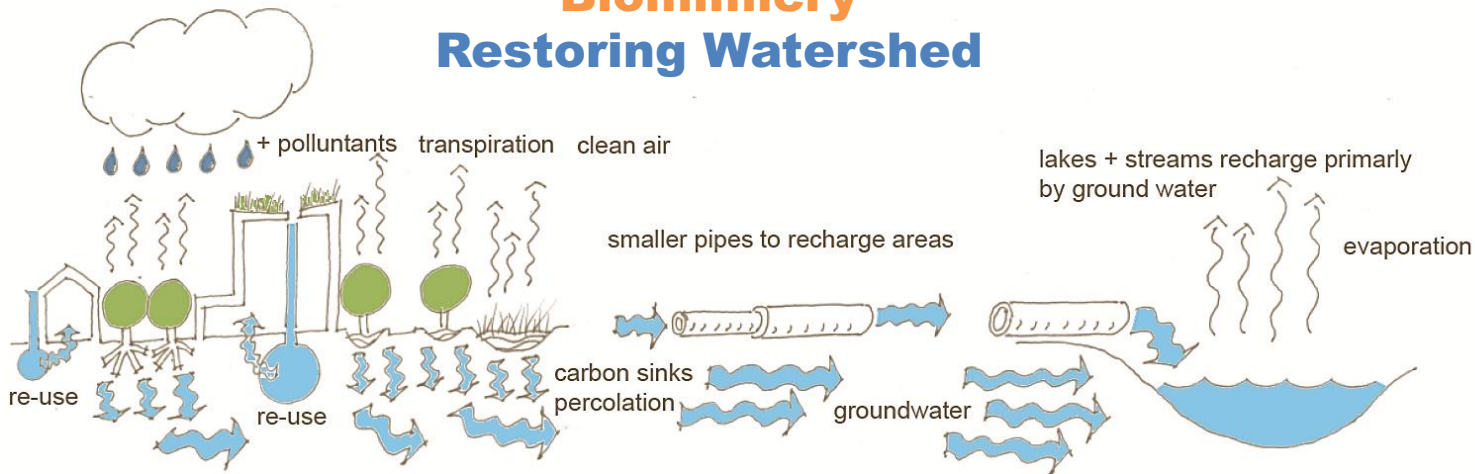
# 5 **Restore Watershed (Biomimicry)**

Allow the landscape to act as a sponge (for water and CO<sub>2</sub>) and to slowly filter out impurities before rainwater reaches major bodies of water.





**Green Infrastructure**  
**Biomimicry**  
**Restoring Watershed**



filter pollutants, captures nutrients, revitalizes soil + landscape

Recessed Planter



Bio-Swale



Recessed Planter



Bump Out

Permeable Paving

Constructed Wetland

# Green Infrastructure

# The Crossroads

425± total  
acres

350 million  
gallons  
of runoff/  
year

75 million  
gallons of  
runoff  
during a  
100 year  
storm



# The Crossroads

Infiltration  
Planters  
and Bump-  
outs (90%)

Pocket  
Parks

Green  
Roofs  
(80%)

Pervious  
Pavement  
(65%)

Bioswales  
(25%)

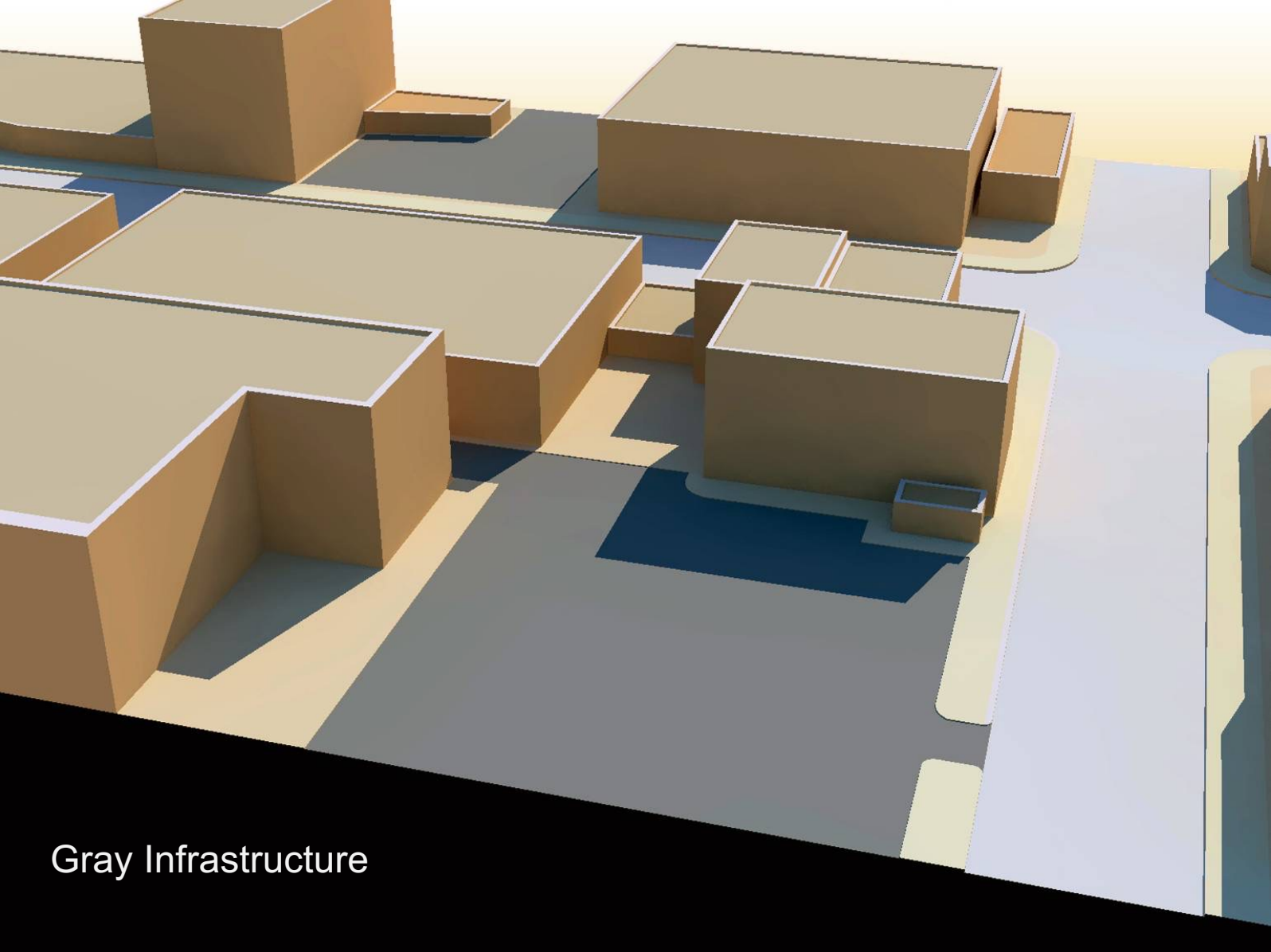


# The Crossroads

210 million  
gallon/year  
reduction  
(60% of  
current  
run off)  
within  
the  
entire  
425± acres  
of the  
Crossroads



# BMPs in URBAN AREAS



Gray Infrastructure



# BMPs in URBAN AREAS



Green Infrastructure

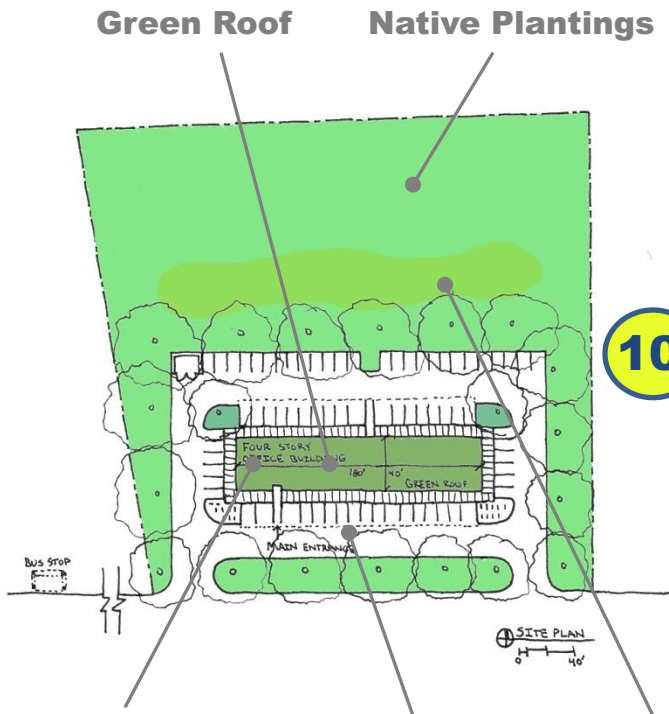


# LEED 2009 for New Construction and Major Renovation

## Project Checklist

### Design Strategies:

# Narrow Building Footprint and Green Infrastructure



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### Sustainable Sites Possible Points: 26

Y	N	?	Prereq	Description	Points
Y			Prereq 1	Construction Activity Pollution Prevention	
			Credit 1	Site Selection	1
			Credit 2	Development Density and Community Connectivity	5
			Credit 3	Brownfield Redevelopment	1
			Credit 4.1	Alternative Transportation—Public Transportation Access	6
			Credit 4.2	Alternative Transportation—Bicycle Storage and Changing Rooms	1
			Credit 4.3	Alternative Transportation—Low-Emitting and Fuel-Efficient Vehicles	3
			Credit 4.4	Alternative Transportation—Parking Capacity	2
			Credit 5.1	Site Development—Protect or Restore Habitat	1
			Credit 5.2	Site Development—Maximize Open Space	1
			Credit 6.1	Stormwater Design—Quantity Control	1
			Credit 6.2	Stormwater Design—Quality Control	1
			Credit 7.1	Heat Island Effect—Non-roof	1
			Credit 7.2	Heat Island Effect—Roof	1
			Credit 8	Light Pollution Reduction	1

### Water Efficiency Possible Points: 10

Y	N	?	Prereq	Description	Points
Y			Prereq 1	Water Use Reduction—20% Reduction	
			Credit 1	Water Efficient Landscaping	2 to 4
			Credit 2	Innovative Wastewater Technologies	2
			Credit 3	Water Use Reduction	2 to 4

### Energy and Atmosphere Possible Points: 35

Y	N	?	Prereq	Description	Points
Y			Prereq 1	Fundamental Commissioning of Building Energy Systems	
Y			Prereq 2	Minimum Energy Performance	
Y			Prereq 3	Fundamental Refrigerant Management	
			Credit 1	Optimize Energy Performance	1 to 19
			Credit 2	On-Site Renewable Energy	1 to 7
			Credit 3	Enhanced Commissioning	2
			Credit 4	Enhanced Refrigerant Management	2
			Credit 5	Measurement and Verification	3
			Credit 6	Green Power	2

### Materials and Resources Possible Points: 14

Y	N	?	Prereq	Description	Points
Y			Prereq 1	Storage and Collection of Recyclables	
			Credit 1.1	Building Reuse—Maintain Existing Walls, Floors, and Roof	1 to 3
			Credit 1.2	Building Reuse—Maintain 50% of Interior Non-Structural Elements	1
			Credit 2	Construction Waste Management	1 to 2
			Credit 3	Materials Reuse	1 to 2

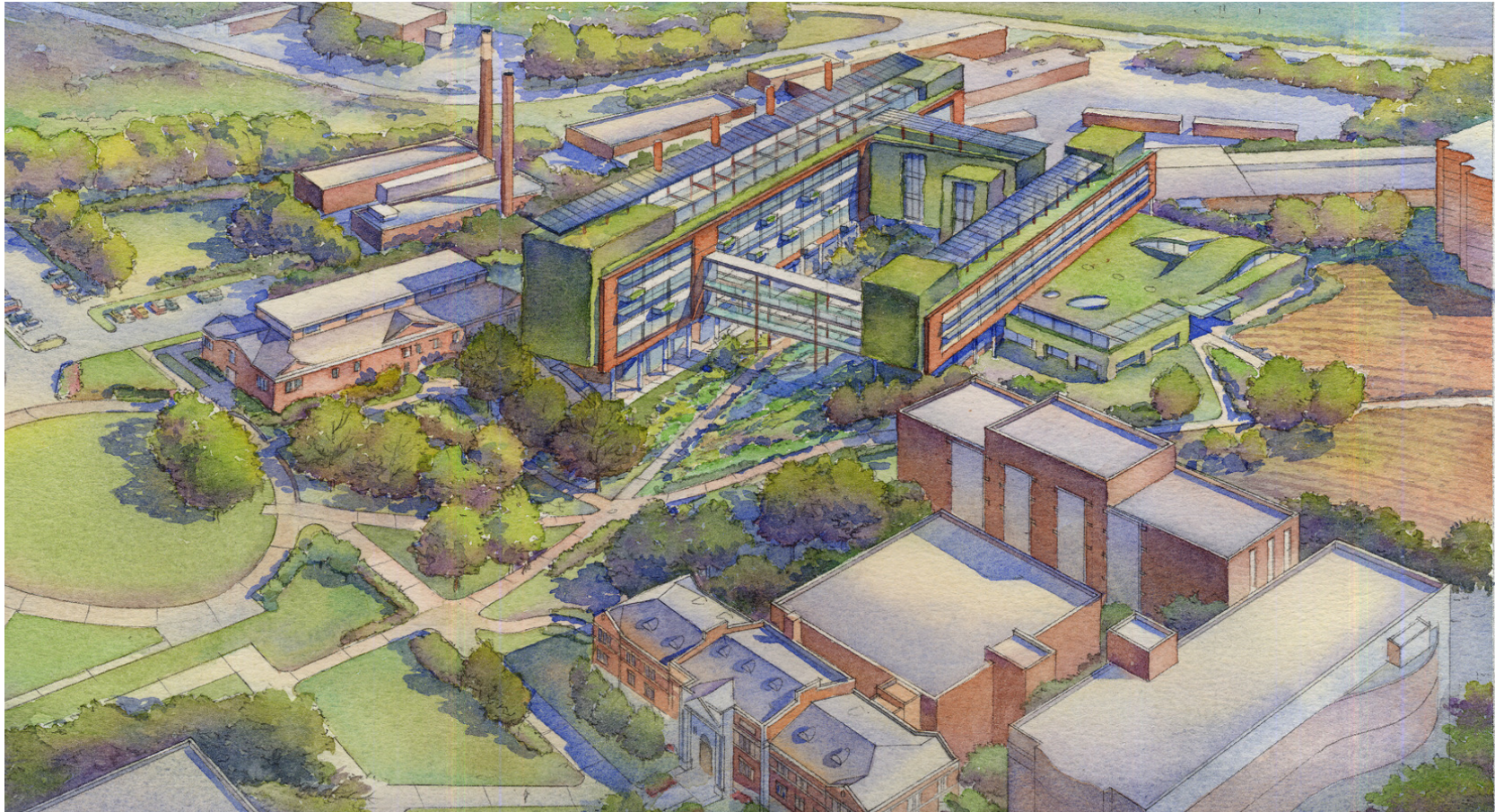
### Indoor Environmental Quality Possible Points: 15

Y	N	?	Prereq	Description	Points
			Credit 8.1	Daylight and Views—Daylight	1
			Credit 8.2	Daylight and Views—Views	1

Narrow Footprint Reduced Paving Bio-swale

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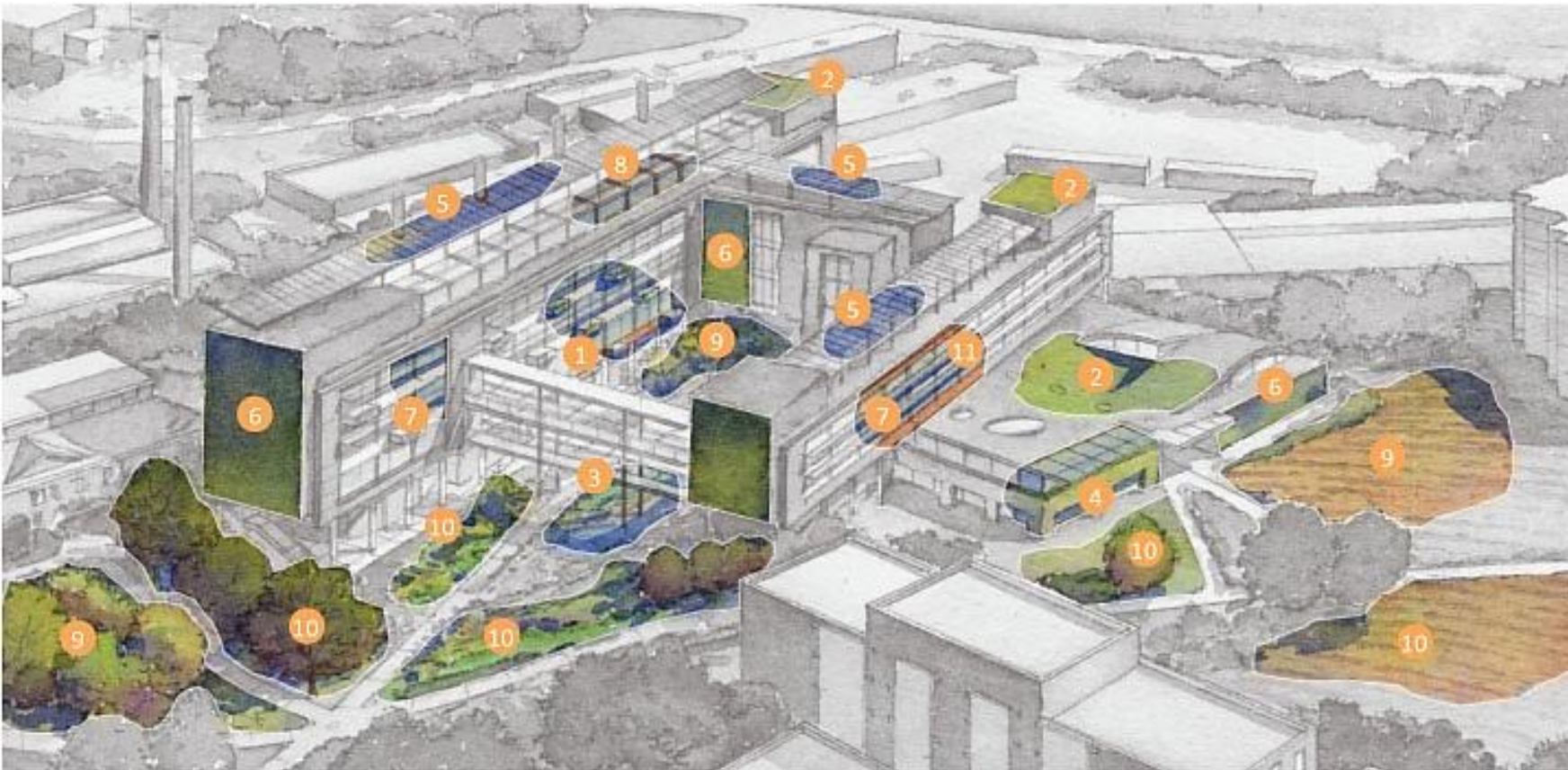
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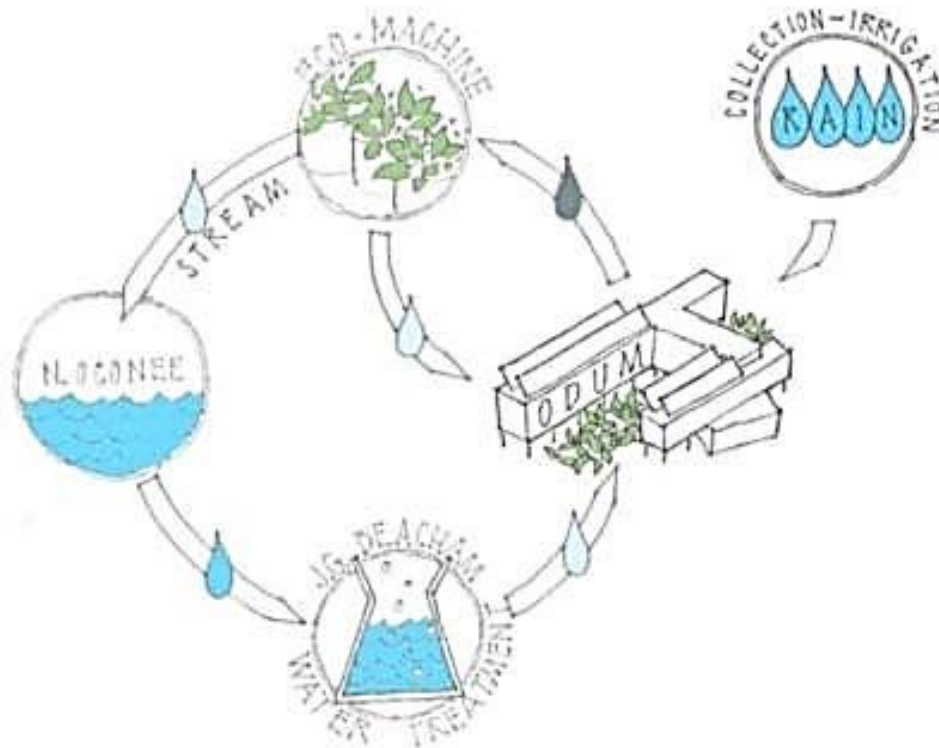
1. Balconies
2. Green roofs
3. Courtyard stream
4. Eco-machine
5. Rooftop photovoltaic panels
6. Green walls
7. Sun shades and light shelves
8. Rooftop greenhouse
9. Sustainable habitats, wetlands, grasslands and stream
10. Lawn and ground cover test areas, organic and container farming test areas and demonstration gardens
11. "Breathing facades"

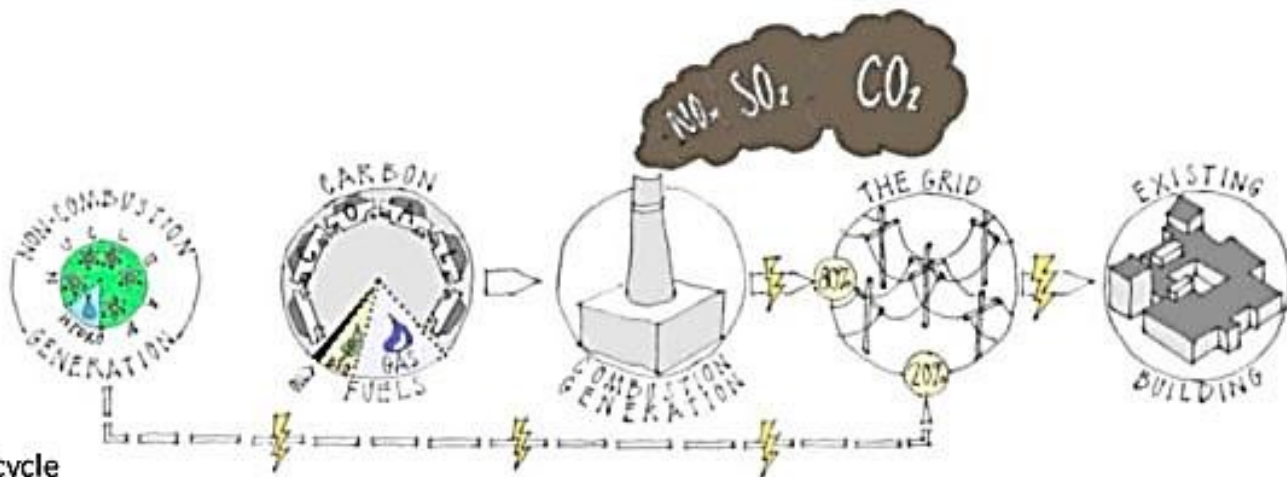


Existing water cycle

New water cycle

**75%**  
REDUCTION

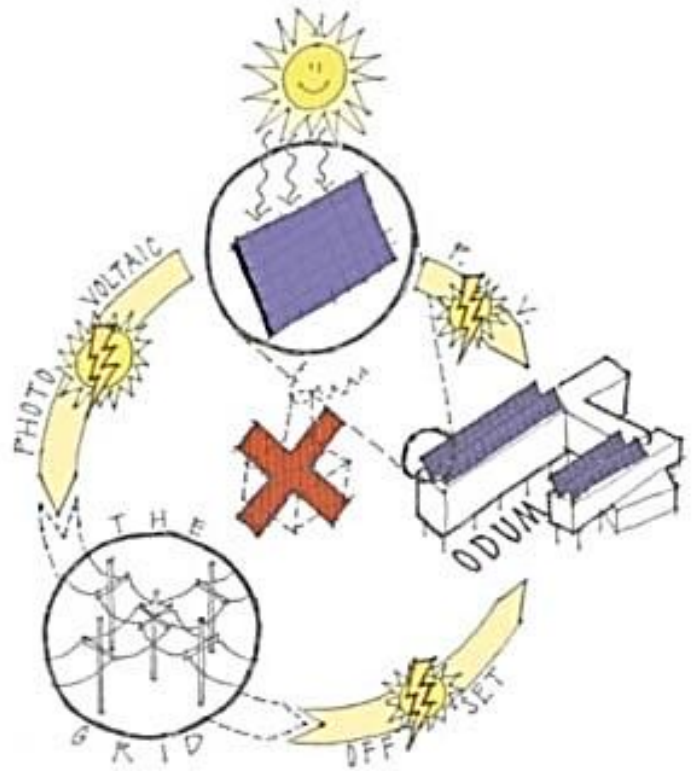




Existing energy cycle

New energy cycle

80%  
LESS ENERGY



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1. Mechanical, Storage, Overflow
2. Laboratories
3. Circulation, Garden Commons
4. Courtyard (Stream, Trees, Living Laboratories)
5. Offices, Administration, Café
6. Auditorium, Exhibit Space, Entry, Eco-Machine
7. Green Roof
8. Mechanical Room

9. Green Wall, Green Roof
10. Green House
11. Living Wall
12. Balconies
13. Photovoltaics
14. Access between levels and green roof
15. Double skin facade

# Odum School of Ecology, BNIM



- Piedmont forest
- Riparian corridor
- Native meadow
- Permaculture
- Arboretum
- Environmental classroom



# Omega Center for Sustainable Living, BNIM



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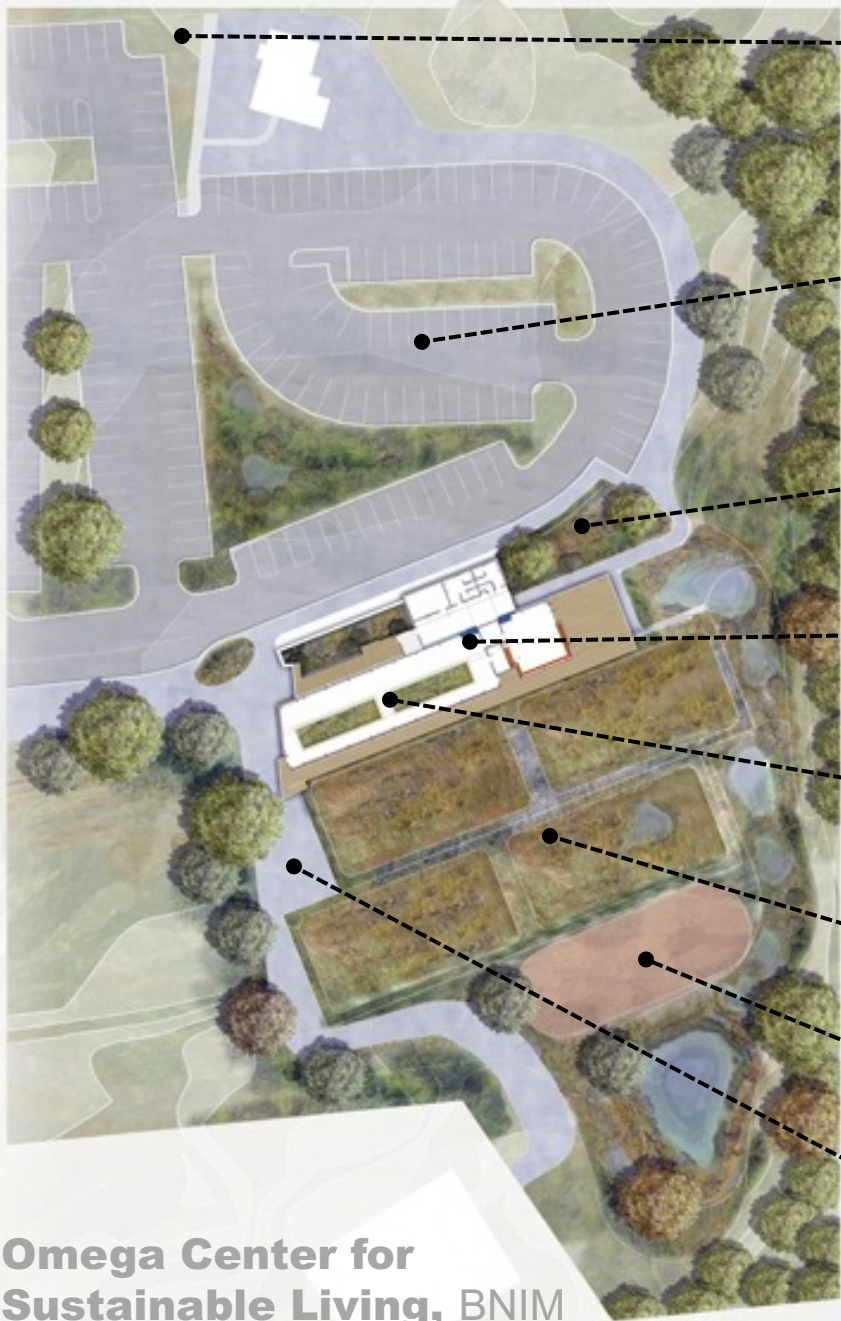
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Sun Air Water Materials Ecosystem



Creating an interior environment, comfortable for people and at the same time fertile for the plants, was critical. The result is a careful balance of passive and mechanical comfort systems. Solar tracking skylights help to provide the optimal amount of light. A high percentage of reclaimed and recycled materials were used throughout.





**Omega Center for Sustainable Living, BNIM**

Septic Tanks (EM 1)

Permeable Paving & Subsurface Dispersal

Water Gardens & Rainwater Cistern

Rainwater Collection & Green Roof

Aerated Lagoons (EM 4)

Constructed Wetlands (EM 3)

Sand Filter (EM 5)

Anaerobic Tanks (EM 2)

Building Sq. Ft.

6,250

Site Acreage

4.5

Sustainability Metrics

THE PROJECT IS CERTIFIED AS LEED PLATINUM AND HAS EARNED 'LIVING' STATUS IN LIVING BUILDING CHALLENGE 1.3

Embodied CO<sub>2</sub>

-1,387

metric tons (+/- 25%) (Estimated using buildcarbonneutral.com). The percentage of the shortgrass planting area being replaced with the wetlands plant area greatly offsets the embodied CO<sub>2</sub> of the construction project, which results in a negative number. Embodied carbon is the carbon released when a product is manufactured, shipped to a project site and installed.

The Construction Carbon Calculator estimates embodied carbon. This calculator looks at an entire project and takes into account the site disturbance, landscape and ecosystem installation or restoration, building size and base materials of construction.

<http://buildcarbonneutral.org/>

Water Reclamation Capacity



Maximum Design Flow



Measured Maximum Flow

gallons per day (GPD)  
Estimated annual flow 5 million gallons

Rainwater Use for Toilet Flushing

40

gallons. Average Daily Demand

1,800

gallon cistern stores enough water for 45 days

Generation Capacity (Electricity)

2,830

sq. ft of photovoltaic panels, 211 panels in 3 arrays

134.2

Kw/day (48.53 Kw/hour max output)

Electricity Demand

132.77

Kw/day (average)

Electricity Usage

-1.43

Kw/day (average) – the building is designed to generate more electricity than it uses