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# Energy Target and Benchmark Tool Webinar Demonstration

July 7, 2020

# Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN)



BayREN is:

- one of three regional energy networks (RENs) in California
- a collaboration of the nine counties that make up the San Francisco Bay Area
- focused on saving energy, together with protecting climate and health

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## BayREN Codes & Standards Program

Provides support by and for Bay Area local governments in order to increase energy performance of buildings, through activities such as:

- Quarterly regional forums
- Trainings for local building departments
- Resources to support energy code compliance as well as energy policy and reach code innovation, adoption, and implementation

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# Energy Target and Benchmark Tool

## To connect energy targets with performance

- Energy Code requirements are based on modeled and estimated future energy use of a building
- Benchmarking requirements look at current actual energy use of a building



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Objective:

Share the purpose and key uses for the BayREN ETBT

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# Energy Target & Benchmark Tool

## Purpose:

Connect design targets to existing building energy performance.

## Supports:

- Energy Performance Management
- Outcome-Based Contract or Code

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# Energy Target & Benchmark Tool

ETBT can help put your project's energy budget in context with:

- Typical performance for T24 compliance
- 2030 Challenge
- Zero Net Energy

Free and non-proprietary

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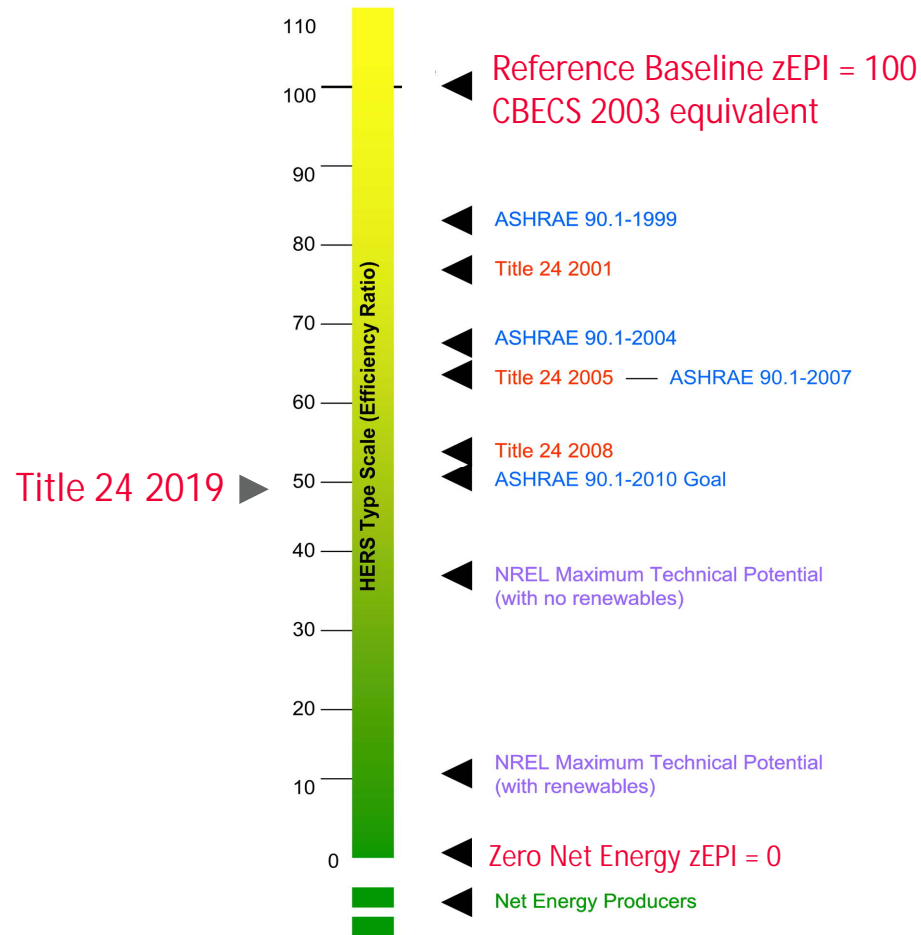


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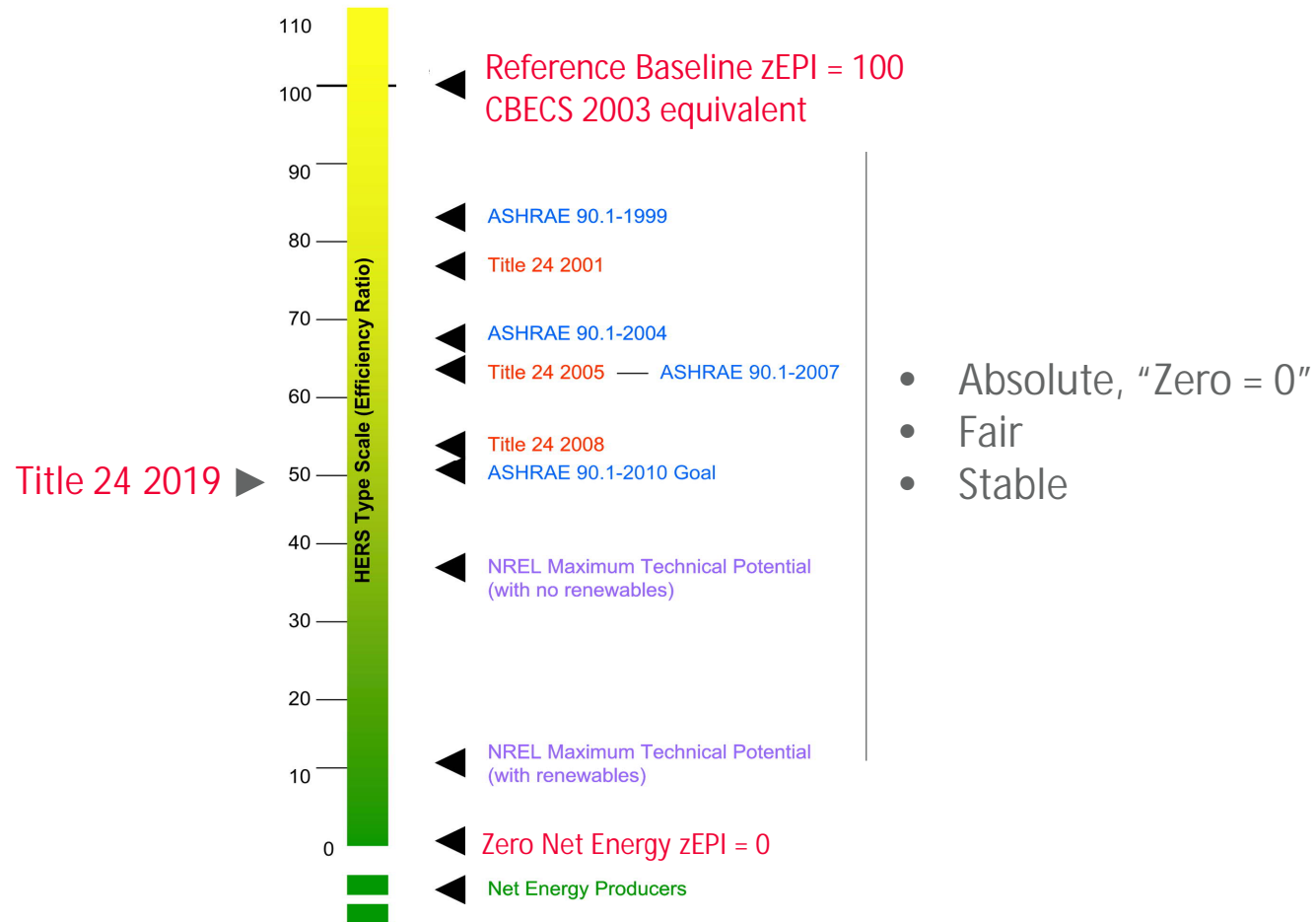
# How should energy performance be measured?

	Pros	Cons
EUI (kBtu/ft <sup>2</sup> -yr)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Simple</li> <li>• Widely recognized</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Difficult to adjust fairly for process loads, building types, climate, etc.</li> <li>• Difficult to baseline against different versions of code</li> </ul>
ENERGY STAR Target Finder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Widely recognized</li> <li>• Integrated with Portfolio Manager</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relative, not absolute metric</li> <li>• Difficult baseline against different versions of code</li> </ul>
Percent Better than Code (?)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Simple to say</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meaningless to compare between code vintages</li> </ul>
zEPI Zero Energy Performance Index	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adjusts for process loads, use types, climate</li> <li>• Easy to baseline and scale to code versions</li> <li>• Integrated with Portfolio Manager (somewhat)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not widely used (yet)</li> </ul>

# Zero Energy Performance Index (zEPI)



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$$zEPI = \frac{Building_{EUI}}{Reference_{EUI}} \times 100$$

# Zero Energy Performance Index for Title 24

$$zEPI \text{ Code Benchmark} = \frac{\text{Reference Model}_{\text{Title 24 EUI}}}{\text{Average Operational}_{\text{EUI}}} \times 100$$

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(A Bit) Less Wonky  
From Here

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# What the Energy Target & Benchmark Tool Does

## *Before Construction*

- Provide context for an energy use target
  - Encourages setting an energy budget between T24 (expected performance by code) and 2030 Challenge (exceptional efficiency)
  - Roughly estimates rooftop PV potential, providing an 'energy budget' for site-ZNE

## *In Operation*

- Determine if target is met

<http://bit.ly/bayrenzepi>





# How the Energy Target & Benchmark Tool Can Be Used

**Behavioral program:** Set performance target prior to construction, update as design progresses, compare actual performance to target, and facilitate discussion. (Current San Francisco use)

**Outcome based contract or code:** On either a project or policy level, require setting performance target prior to construction (ZNE, efficient-but-not ZNE or other), compare actuals to target, and provide rewards or corrections based on outcome.



# Energy Target & Benchmark Tool

The Tool Supports any Mix of:

## **Commercial**

- Bank
- Hotel/Motel
- Office
- Retail
- Warehouse - refrigerated or non-refrigerated

## **Education**

- Primary and Secondary School
- Adult Education
- Childcare Center

## **Health Care**

- Medical Clinic
- Medical Office

## **Municipal**

- Fire/Police Station
- Library
- Recreation Center

## **Multifamily Residential**

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# BayREN Energy Target and Benchmark Tool

## 5 Calculate zEPI Scores

Run Analysis

### Meets Energy Code

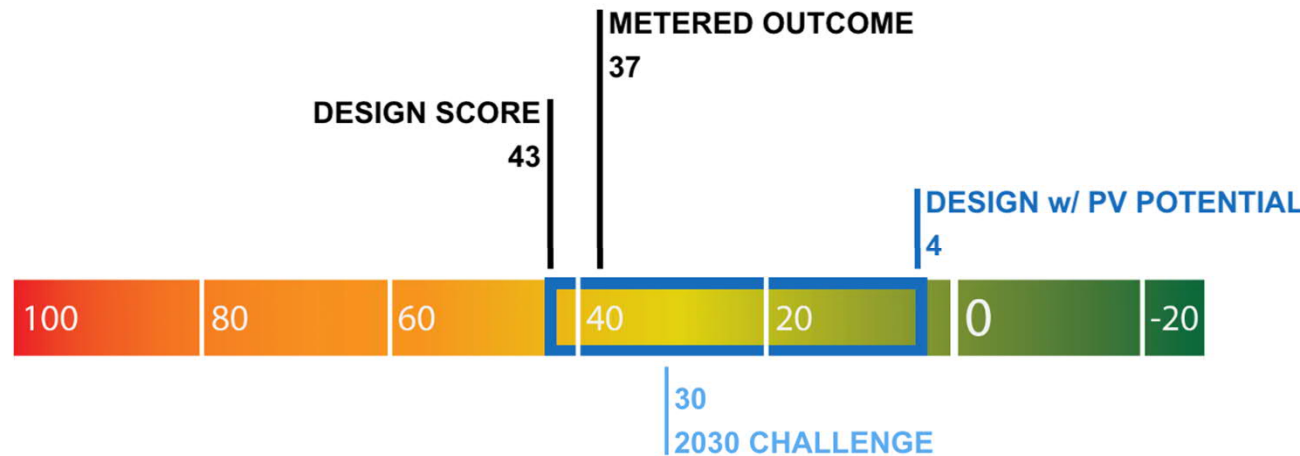
Design: N/A

Metered Outcome: N/A

### 2030 Challenge

Design: **Insufficient**

Metered Outcome: **Pass**



## Before Construction

- Set an energy use target
  - Tool suggests energy budget should be between T24 (code minimum) and 2030 Challenge (exceptional efficiency)
- Roughly estimate ZNE feasibility

## In Operation

- Determine if target is met

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What Specifically Can  
I do with ETBT?

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New Construction –  
Set a Goal

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# San Francisco Municipal Green Building Requirements



## **New construction and >10k sq ft renovation projects** - Env Code Chapter 7

- Set target for annual net energy consumption
- Determine feasibility of ZNE (if  $\leq 3$  stories)

## **Municipal Existing Buildings** - Env Code Chapter 20

- Annually benchmark & publish energy use

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Existing Portfolio –  
Prioritize

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# Existing Buildings Ordinance

- Applies to Non-Residential Buildings 10,000 square feet and greater

	# of Buildings	Total Floor Area
Private Sector	1,649	167 Million
Municipal	492	49 Million
Multifamily & Mixed Use	973	110 Million
Total	3,440	326 Million

- Requirements:
  - Annually report energy use
  - Energy audit or RCx every 5 years



# Since Adoption – Municipal Facilities



2011 ENERGY BENCHMARKING REPORT

San Francisco  
2012 ENERGY BENCHMARKING REPORT

October  
San Francisco  
2013 ENERGY BENCHMARKING REPORT

September  
San Francisco  
2014 ENERGY BENCHMARKING REPORT

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2015 ENERGY BENCHMARKING REPORT

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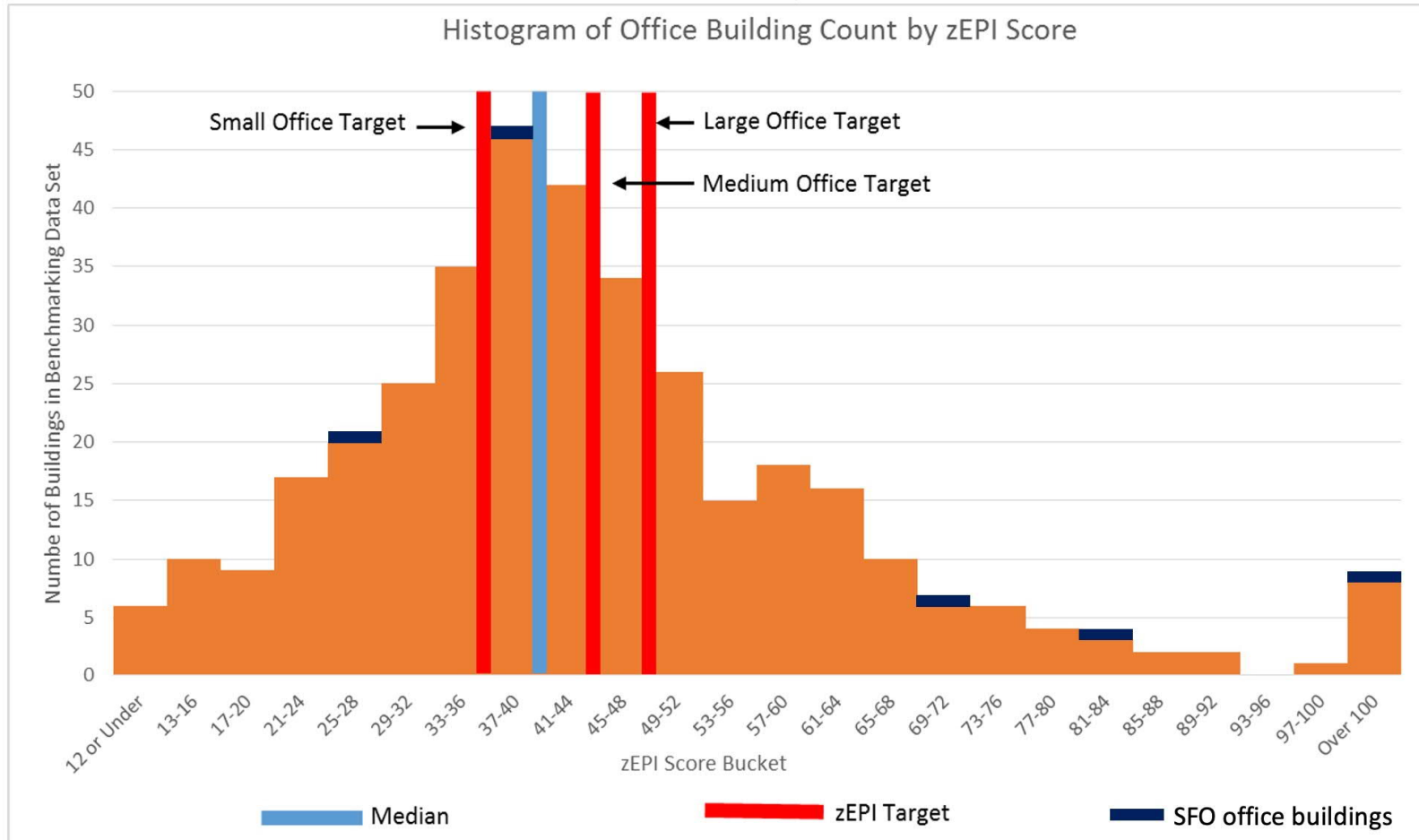
2018 ENERGY BENCHMARKING REPORT

Hetch Hetchy Power - San Francisco Municipal Buildings  
January 2020

↓ 25%  
CO<sub>2</sub>e



# San Francisco Office Distribution as context for Office Buildings at SFO



# Results

Building name	Primary Use	T24 Code Benchmark zEPI	Actual zEPI score	Meets 2016 T24 Benchmark?
SFO Business Center	Office	46	108.5	No
Jason Yuen Eng & Arch Bldg.	Office	46	67.9	No
Government Office Bldg. 1	Office	38	38.7	No
Government Office Bldg. 2	Office	38	28.1	Yes
Airfield Ops Services Bldg	Office	38	81.9	No
Airport Museum	Warehouse/ office	51.5	111.1	No
Rental Car Center	Warehouse/ Office	51.8	31.2	Yes
Cargo Bldg. 1	Warehouse	53	6.6	Yes
Cargo Bldg. 2	Warehouse	53	15.3	Yes

Scores calculated from Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) Outcome Based Code Calculator

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# Municipal ZNE Assistance

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## Lead by Example on own buildings to Prime the market for ZNE policies

### **Develop Municipal ZNE pilot project scopes of work**

- Engineering specifications, energy savings & cost estimates
- System design comparisons
  - Gas vs. Electric system evaluation to optimize GHG/\$
- Procurement and financing

### **Community Scale Municipal ZNE Planning**

- Energy Efficiency as a component of plans to off-set jurisdiction's municipal energy load/bills

### **Develop policy recommendation from pilot project analysis**

- Definition threshold feasibility

## Zero Energy

### How is a Zero Energy building different?

#### Mindset

- Begin with the goal in mind

#### Process

- Integrated team, iterative modelling

#### Tools

- Performance and economics modeling to inform decisions at all stages

#### Factors to Consider

- Resulting energy use is about behavior
- Invest in the life-cycle

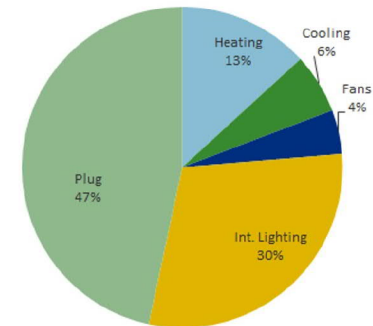


Figure 13: 0-Baseline End Use Breakdown

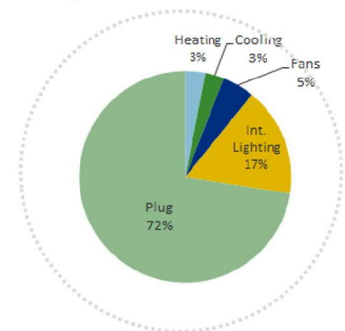
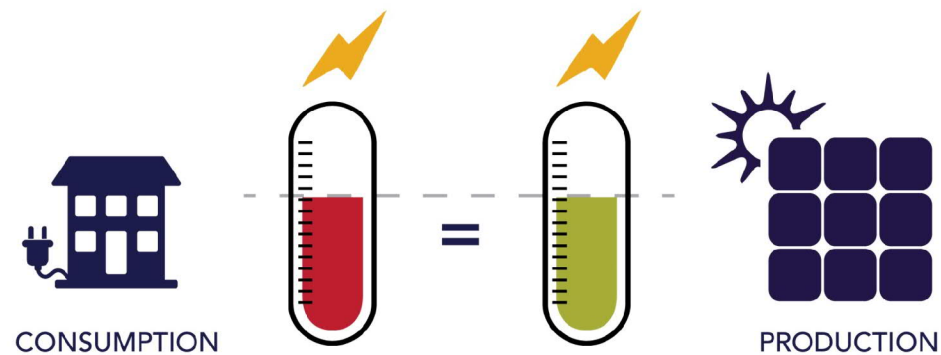


Figure 16: 9-Natural Ventilation End Use Breakdown

## Zero Energy Definitions and Metrics

**Site Energy ZEB** A building where the actual annual delivered energy  $\leq$  on-site renewable exported energy as measured at the site.

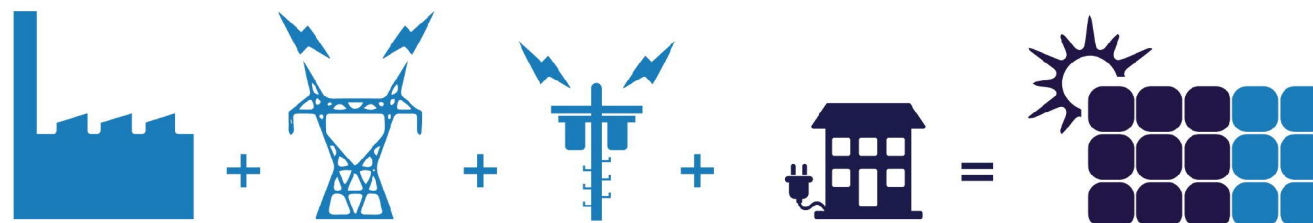
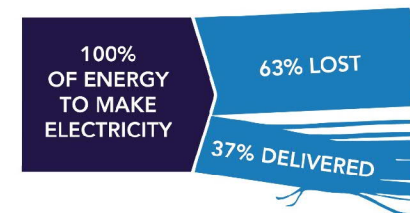




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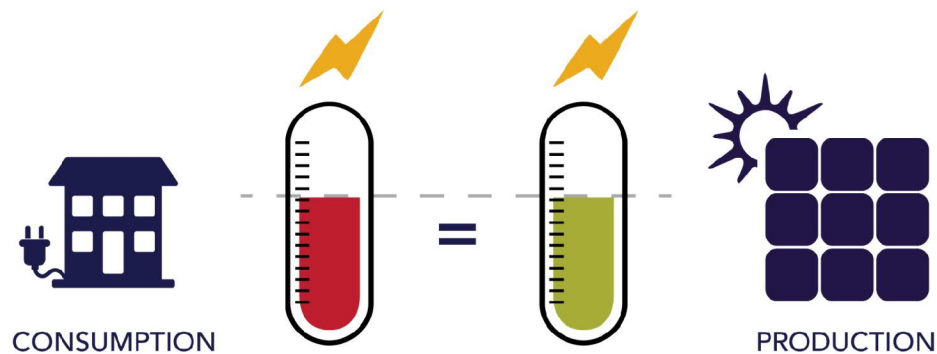
### Source Energy ZEB

A building where the actual annual delivered energy  $\leq$  on-site renewable exported energy as measured at the building site and converted to source energy.

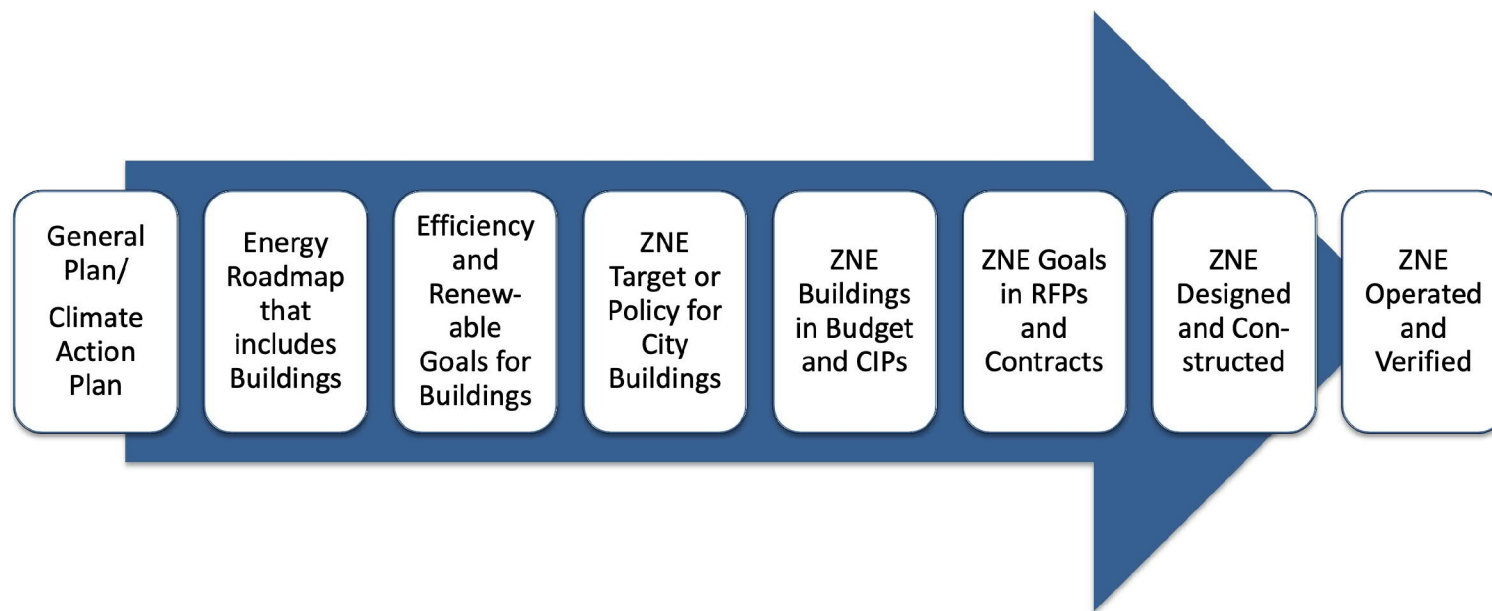


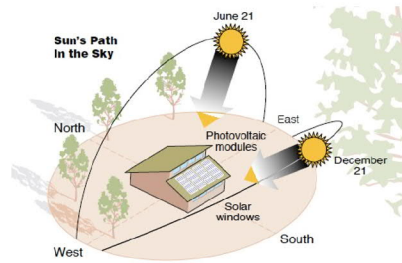
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**Zero Net Energy (ZNE)** A Zero Net Energy building or community produces as much, or more, energy as it uses in a given year, still requiring a grid connection for power supply during times when its on-site renewables are not generating power.



## The Path to ZNE Municipal Buildings





**Orientation & Shading**

Including Daylighting & Natural Ventilation



**Envelope**

Insulation, Materiality, Window Properties, etc.



**Lighting**

Add Daylighting/Occupancy Sensors & Reduce Wattage



**Plug Load**

Energy Star Equipment



**Mechanical Equipment**

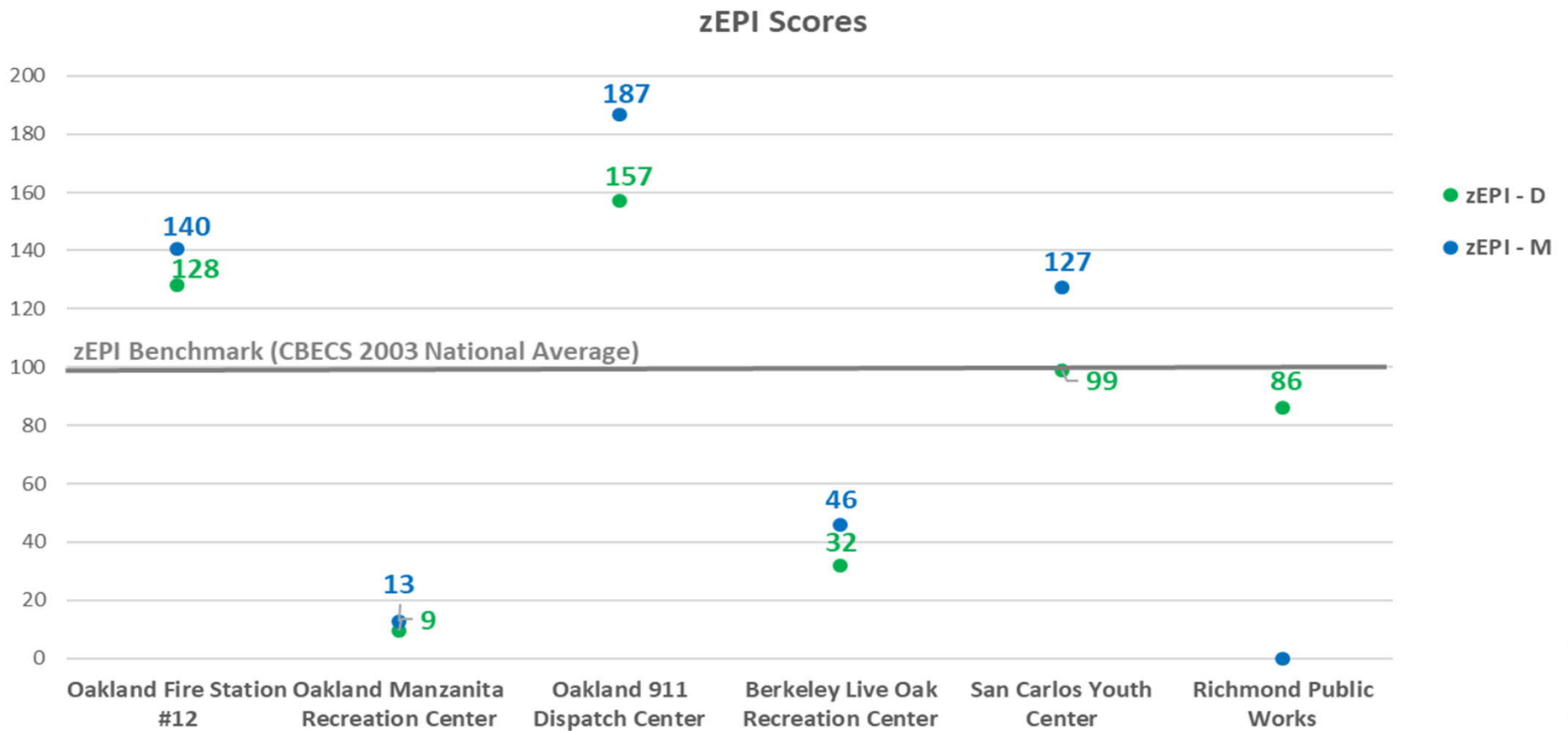
Size, Energy Source, Efficiency, etc.



**Renewable Energy**

Photovoltaic Panels, Solar Hot Water Heaters, Wind Energy, etc.

# Municipal ZNE Assistance – ETBT Tool for Prioritization



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Demo

## Energy Target Setting and Performance Verification

Applicant Name   
Building Name

Street Address   
City

### Primary Building Area

[+ Add Building Area](#)

**1**

Building Gross Area (ft2)   
Computers (#)   
Weekly Operating Hours   
Workers on Main Shift (#)

### 2 Weather Data

Climate Zone

Heating Degree Days (HDD)   
Cooling Degree Days (CDD)

### 3 12 Month Modeled Energy (design stage)

Electricity Usage w/o PV (kWh)   
Natural Gas Usage (therms)   
Available Roof for PV (ft2)

### 4 12 Month Metered Data (input data once operational)

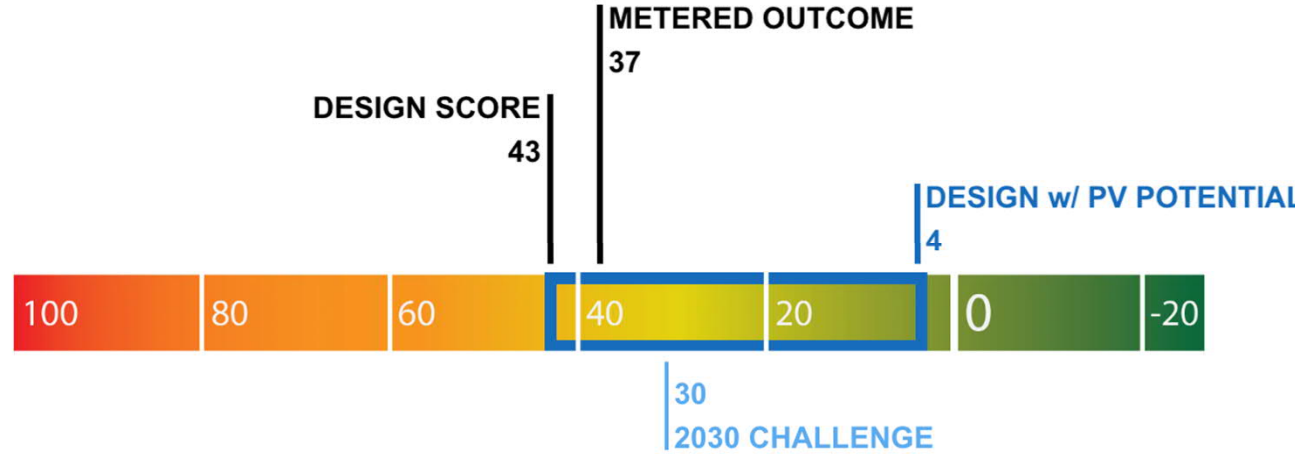
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Design Score	43.1	70.8	15000	250000	
Metered Outcome	37.2	61.1	12000	225000	
zEPI Benchmark	100	164.2	N/A	N/A	
Photovoltaic Potential	39.5	65	N/A	364000	244.4

## Save or Import Building Data

Save these results:

No file chosen

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Weekly Operating Hours:

Refrigerated Book Case?

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Climate Zone:

Heating Degree Days (HDD):

Cooling Degree Days (CDD):

#### 3 Design Energy (modeling stage - 12 months)

Electricity Usage w/o PV (kWh):

Natural Gas Usage (therms):

Available Roof for PV (ft<sup>2</sup>):

#### 4 Metered Energy (input data once operational - 12 months)

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Scale document up

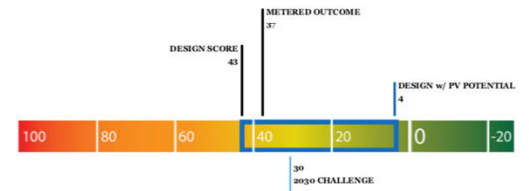
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- How has BayREN linked Design with Energy Benchmarking?
- How does it work?
- How can I benefit?

BayREN Energy Target & Benchmark Tool Webinar

July 7, 11 am – 12 pm

Registration link coming soon to:

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Or visit:

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