# Low-Carbon Concrete



**Project Update** 

Oregon Sustainability Board

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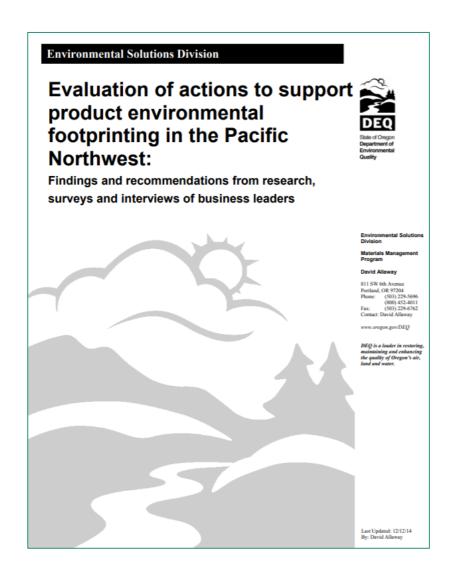




**Materials Management Program** 

<u>Focus</u> = building material impact reduction

### 2014 Environmental Footprinting project w/ OSB





2.Food Footprinting profiles

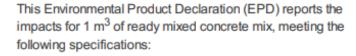
3.Concrete



### Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs)

#### RiverBend Materials

Environmental Product Declaration
Mix 313061 • Corvallis Plant



- ASTM C94: Ready-Mixed Concrete
- UNSPSC Code 30111505: Ready Mix Concrete
- CSA A23.1/A23.2: Concrete Materials and Methods of Concrete Construction
- CSI Division 03-30-00: Cast-in-Place Concrete

#### **COMPANY**

#### RiverBend Materials

3723 Fairview Industrial Dr SE, Suite 160 Salem, OR 97302

#### **PLANT**

#### Corvallis Plant

28054 Payne Road Corvallis, OR 97333

#### **EPD PROGRAM OPERATOR**

#### National Ready Mixed Concrete Association

900 Spring St Silver Spring, MD 20910





#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS**

#### **Declared Product:**

Mix 313061 • Corvallis Plant 3000 PSI 3/4" INTERIOR WRA Compressive strength: 3000 psi at 28 days

Declared Unit: 1 m3 of concrete

Global Warming Potential (kg CO <sub>2</sub> -eq)	240
Ozone Depletion Potential (kg CFC-11-eq)	3.0E-6
Acidification Potential (kg SO <sub>2</sub> -eq)	1.18
Eutrophication Potential (kg N-eq)	0.13
Photochemical Ozone Creation Potential (kg O <sub>3</sub> -eq)	24.3
Abiotic Depletion, non-fossil (kg Sb-eq)	2.3E-6
Abiotic Depletion, fossil (MJ)	404
Total Waste Disposed (kg)	0.43
Consumption of Freshwater (m <sup>3</sup> )	3.48

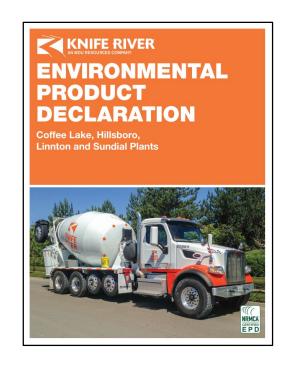
Product Components: natural aggregate (ASTM C33), type 1L cement (ASTM C595), fly ash (ASTM O618), batch water (ASTM C1602), admixture (ASTM C494)

Additional detail and impacts are reported on page three of this EPD



### Oregon Concrete EPD Program









**CalPortland** 

**Knife River** 

RiverBend

**Hooker Creek** 



### Reimbursements:

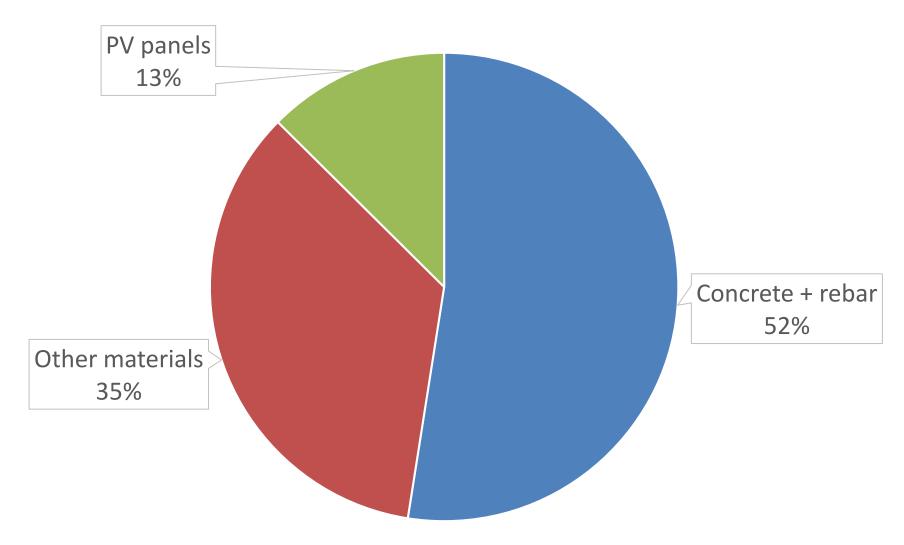
• \$2,500 / plant

How are EPDs being used?

## Oregon Department of Treasury – new construction



# Lifecycle embodied carbon of select materials – Treasury Building (DRAFT) (foundation/structure/enclosure)



Low carbon concrete-related policies

### City of Portland - Concrete Procurement Policy



- <u>Jan 1, 2020</u> Require concrete EPDs on all City projects
- April 1, 2021 City publishes global warming potential threshold
- Jan 1, 2022 All EPDs must be below threshold

Policy: <a href="https://www.portlandoregon.gov/brfs/article/731696">https://www.portlandoregon.gov/brfs/article/731696</a>

Response to Comments: https://www.portlandoregon.gov/brfs/article/731698

# EPDs for public purchasing





### EPDs required for:

- Structural steel
- Re-bar steel
- Mineral wool insulation
- Flat glass

#### **Other State Efforts:**

- Oregon
- Washington
- Minnesota
- New York

### Federal Efforts:

 Buy clean Procurement Requirements

## Thanks Oregon Sustainability Board!

### OSB played a crucial role in:

- Convening
- Endorsing research
- Connecting partners



# materials management

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