

PNW Trends in EA ZE Ready Homes

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Earth Advantage ZE & ZE Ready Home Certification

Defined as:

A home that generates as much energy on site as it uses over the course of a year. (within 90%)

- Earth Advantage Zero Energy certified homes require Earth Advantage Platinum certification + equivalent onsite energy generation
- Earth Advantage Zero Energy Ready certified homes must meet same specifications for EAZE (above) minus the actual renewable systems (ETO Solar Ready required)

5 steps to ZERO ENERGY

5 | Renewable Systems

4 | High Efficiency Appliances & Lighting

3 | Right-sized Mechanical Systems

2 | High Performance Shell

1 | Efficient Use of Space

ZERO ENERGY THEN VS ZE TRENDING

- 1 Efficient use of space
- 2 High performance shell
- 3 Right-sized mechanicals
- 4 High efficiency appliances & lighting
- 5 Renewable systems

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- 2 Hyper efficient mechanicals
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- 4 High performance shell
- 5 High efficiency appliances & lighting

Home Design Tips

- Roof Pitch (for hosting solar PV)
- Overhang Depth
- Ranch vs 2 Floor
- Window / Fl Area Ratio
- Orientation
- HPWH Location
- Locate roof penetrations on N side

Building Component

- Flat Ceilings
- Vaults
- Walls
- Frame Floors
- Slab Floors
- Windows
- Doors
- Space Heating
- Water Heating
- Lighting
- Mech Vent
- Spot Vent
- Blower Door Score
- *Gas Fireplace & *Gas Range

Solar PV System Tips

- Central Inverter vs Micro Inverters
- Inverter Efficiency
- TSRF
- Black or Silver
- Watts Per Panel
- Roof vs Ground Mount

GROWING TRENDS:

- ▶ Heat Pump Technology
- ▶ Pre-wired garages for EV's & PV
- ▶ Home Batteries
- ▶ WRB as an air barrier
- ▶ Hot Roof Assemblies
- ▶ Thermally Broken Wall Assemblies
- ▶ Through the Wall ERV's
- ▶ Shift from Site to Source?



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