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LEED Public Policy Library

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#### From the Editor

Nowadays we can't imagine life without the internet. It is a great source of information, but that same information can often be overwhelming. This edition includes links to some sites that have compiled related information on a given topic in one place. The first is a link that identifies locations that have LEED-related public policies in place using an interactive map. The second is a site developed by Builder.com that aggregates numerous articles on resilient design, particularly focused on residential construction. Another site I refer to often is [www.energycodes.gov](http://www.energycodes.gov) for its easy access to state energy code requirements and more. I hope you find these links helpful. If you have a favorite informational site share it with me at the email below, and you may find it featured in a future edition!

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#### CODE and STANDARDS NEWS

Ever wonder if LEED incentives exist in your area? Check out the link below to learn more. ~Tina

#### **Discover the Green Building Policies in Your Region**

##### **USGBC.ORG**

You can now see LEED related public policies in one place. The [Public Policy Library](#) is an interactive platform that contains policies at the federal, state, and local levels that incentivize, require, or otherwise promote green building measures-including LEED. The library includes policies-such as incentives and directives-that incorporate LEED or key green building elements.

#### **GRI, IIRC Team Up to Make Corporate Reporting Less Confusing**

##### **GBRIONLINE.ORG**

In a move to make corporate reporting less confusing, the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) and the International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC) are working together to clarify how companies can use both the GRI Standards and the International Framework in their integrated reporting. [Read more.](#)

#### GREEN BUILDING NEWS

While the resource below is focused on residential construction, much of the information provided is applicable to commercial construction as well. ~Tina

#### **Resilient Homes**

##### **BUILDER.COM**

Introducing the Hanley Wood Residential Construction Group's new Resilient Homes Resource Center, a new, continuously updated source of detailed design and construction guidelines and best practices for building homes that stand up to nature. To access this Resource Center, click [here](#).

#### PRODUCT NEWS

#### **Digging Into Where Your Process Produces Waste**

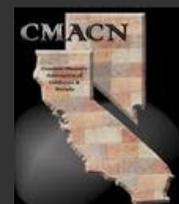
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Reducing waste in the manufacturing process involves identifying broad areas where waste could occur, such as in the transport process or by failing to use employees' skills to their full potential. Talking to a company's suppliers can also reveal areas of improvement according to this [blog](#).

## EDUCATIONAL NEWS

### Register Now for Webinar on TMS 402/602 Updates

#### MASONRY SOCIETY.ORG

The TMS 402/602-16 Building Code Requirements for Masonry Structures is now available and it is adopted by the 2018 International Building Code for the design and construction of structural masonry, masonry veneer, and glass unit masonry. Quickly learn about the major updates and changes to the 2016 TMS 402/602 including the increased cavity width for veneers to accommodate increased insulation in this informative webinar presented by Dr. Richard Bennett, the Chair of the Committee that developed these provisions. [Click here](#) for information on this webinar or to register.

### Papers are invited for ASTM International Symposium on Masonry Innovations in Collaborative Research, Development and Applications

#### ASTM.ORG

Papers are invited for the symposium Masonry 2018: Innovations in Collaborative Research, Development and Applications, to be held June 26, 2018 at the Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina in San Diego, California. The symposium is being co-sponsored by ASTM International Committees C01 on Cement, C07 on Lime, C12 on Mortars and Grouts for Unit Masonry, and C15 on Manufactured Masonry Units, and will be held in conjunction with the standards development meetings of the committees. To participate in the symposium, presenters/authors must submit a 250-300 word preliminary abstract at <http://www.astm.org/C07CFP062018> by April 21, 2017.

### BIM-Masonry Symposium Announced

#### BIMFORMASONRY.ORG

The BIM-M Executive Committee is pleased to announce the 2017 BIM-M Symposium for May 4-5, 2017. It will be held at the IMI District Training Center just outside Chicago. The 2017 BIM-M Symposium will highlight completed and on-going projects for BIM users. While both symposium days will be valuable for all masonry BIM users, May 4 will emphasize Designers and May 5 will emphasize Contractors. Architects, engineers, contractors and manufacturers will be treated to products and techniques to simplify design, detailing and collaboration with masonry. Further details and registration information will be forthcoming on the BIMM web site ([www.bimformasonry.org](http://www.bimformasonry.org)).

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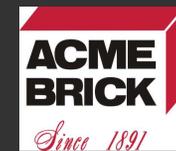


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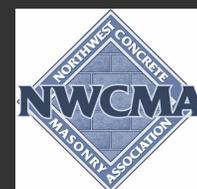
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